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Ross Faldet on the right accepted a \$5,000 check in memory of Jim Vordebruggen from family members Josh, Terri and Karla. The money will be used for the car project in the Industrial Technology Class at Clearbrook-Gonvick High School.

Big check for the car project

James Vorderbruggen or “Big Jim” and “Grandpa Jim” as he was called was very interested in the Industrial Technology Class taught by Ross Faldet. That class was part of the cuts in the budget when the Clearbrook-Gonvick School District was going through difficult times. Faldet has received the go ahead to do another project with students for the school next year.

Faldet had Jim’s support on two projects in the past which included restoration of a 1969 Mustang and a 1970 Chevy C10 that were raffled off to the winner at Gonvick Pumpkin Days. The Mustang went to Clayton and Lorna Skoisen of Roseau in 2010 and the Chevy to Andrew Eck of Gonvick on 2012.

Ross and Jim had several conversations at car shows and football games about restoring a car at the school. He was very supportive of the talent that students had and wanted these kids to get recognized for something other than sports. Faldet said that without Jim’s support the two projects would never have gotten off the ground. He had the specialty tools that the school shop did not have and expertize and enthusiasm for helping Faldet.

Jim will be helping Faldet again this year, although not physically, as he passed away on March 5, 2014 at the University of Minnesota hospital in Minneapolis after complications from an automobile accident. His wife Terri and daughter Karla and son Josh Vorderbruggen have donated \$5,000 in Jim’s memory to use for up front funding for the car project at the school for next year. Faldet stated, “This was huge and will take some of the pressure off and we will be able to move the project forward. This kind of a donation does not come along very often.” “This is something he would really approve of as not every-

one will be going to college and there is a need for these kinds of classes for students to be successful.”

Now with the donation Faldet can start looking for a car that can be used. Josh was involved in the Mustang project the first year. That was when they stripped the Mustang down to bare metal and made plans for what had to be done the second year. The class was only 45 minutes long and Josh was a senior and went on to the University of North Dakota where he completed a Mechanical Engineering degree. The second year the project was two hour blocks in the school but it also had many coming in during the weekend and vacation time for it to get finished and ready to be sold. It was a community project as local business places helped out with their facilities and giving the students discounts on parts and products.

Doing the car restoration projects gives students exposure to many things including auto mechanics, vehicle maintenance, collision repair, upholstery, electronics, welding sandblasting and budgeting.

According to Terri, Jim was in his glory when he and his two children were in their shop at home working on a project. Karla took welding and she built a baseball T that would be used for batting practice. Karla did not go into engineering she is a Registered Nurse working for Sanford in Thief River Falls.

Jim was born in Bagley and graduated from Bagley High School in 1982. He and Terri Staehnke were married on June 4, 1988. He worked for different pipeline companies in Minnesota, Alaska and North Dakota. Jim and his wife Terri purchased the gas station and repair shop in Gonvick called Main Street Service. During that time it was a family run place as their two children

Karla and Josh were there helping. Children that came in would be treated to suckers. He ran that until 2005 when he went to work for Enbridge Pipeline.

He later became an Area Supervisor with Enbridge and had 16 people working under him. He had the respect of all who worked with him as people liked “Big Jim” as he was called. He was also called “Grandpa Jim” by three special girls, Taylor, Payton and Blake. He did not have grandchildren of his own.

These projects would not have been possible without the generosity of Jim and numerous people in the communities, including everyone who purchased a raffle ticket.

Environment and listening session in Bagley February 3

ST. PAUL – State Representatives Dave Hancock (R-Bemidji) and Steve Green (R-Fosston) announce that they will hold an environmental listening session in Bagley on Wednesday, February 3 at the D & R Café, 27 Central St. W., from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Also attending will be Minnesota House Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Finance Committee Chairman Denny McNamara (R-Hastings).

Representatives Green and Hancock say they have heard from a large number of constituents who are concerned about environmental issues, and invited McNamara to the listening session so he can hear firsthand from area landowners, hunters, and anglers.

The lawmakers strongly encourage area residents to attend the listening session and share their thoughts, opinions, and questions about environmental rules and regulations in the State of Minnesota.

Clearbrook-Gonvick Board holds reorganizational meeting

The Clearbrook-Gonvick School Board reorganized for the new year at their meeting on Monday, January 25. Jeff Westrum was elected Chair, Tracy Imle Clerk and Jim Galloway Treasurer. Board salaries were set the same as last year, \$65.00 for each officer, \$60 for a regular meeting, \$45 for negotiations meetings and \$40 for a committee meeting. They set the third Monday of each month for their meeting day except for Monday that has a legal holiday. The First State Bank in Clearbrook and Northern State Bank in Gonvick will be the official depositories. The Leader-Record will be the official publication with the Farmers Independent as the second outlet. Knutson and Flynn will be the school attorney and the mileage rate is the IRS rate. The Superintendent is the authorized Local Education Authority Representative.

Principal Jeff Burgess

Principal Burgess gave an update on things coming up at the school. Snow week is February 8 to 12. There will be day games and conferences. They plan on serving a meal the night during conferences. A Spelling Bee was to be held January 28 at 9:30 a.m.

They held an assembly to being the second semester. Their goal is to improve in all areas of the testing. Practice testing starts in two weeks.

February is “I Love to Red Month”. The Elementary is using a magic theme. A magician is coming in for the kick off on February 1. The elementary teachers are planning all the events. Burgess stated he appreciates what the staff does for all events.

He is working on scheduling and they are going to try and do electronic registration this year. A course guide will be available for students.

Superintendent Wayne Olson

Superintendent Olson informed the board that he had posted the new music position and has received the first application. The new position would assist Mrs. Stewart in

the music department by doing elementary music and high school choir.

The district is looking at new guidelines for hiring procedures. They would first be posted at the state, school web site, teachers’ lounge and office boards.

The district received a check for \$10,469 as a rebate from the Health Insurance policy from last year. They will decide what they have to do with the check.

Marco, a computer company that has been working with the school the past three years, has a contract that is up for renewal. It was a three year contract. They have been paying \$69,000 per year. The company met at the school with staff and offered \$62,000 for the year. Olson stated that they are looking at other options and companies. They thought that they were not making good use of it. When they had a problem they had to be on line with Marco to get things fixed. They will be looking at other options as their contract runs out June 30.

Negotiations with the staff and the district and about done. The contract will have to be finalized by the teachers and be brought to the board for their signatures.

Consent calendar

The board approved the consent calendar for the bills, electronic transfer and other bank transactions. Bills included: Stein’s Bus Service LLC \$52,777.93; Clearwater-Polk Electric \$8,569.82; Marco \$7,722.21; Community Oil Co. \$5,529.76; City of Clearbrook \$2,424.42; Anderson Disposal

41,809.70; Garden Valley Telephone Company \$1,523.36; 2 Loons Letters & Threads \$1,003.00.

Old Business

The board approved the fourth year of Michelle Morgan’s continued leave.

New business

Clearbrook-Gonvick Police Chief Dan Gazelka presented a School Safety presentation. Public safety officials are re-evaluating the lockdown protocols, training and drills. They are ending the lockdown only and adding Hide Out, Run Out and Fight Out. He also mentioned a program called ALICE which is (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) that would be available for training and the cost could be split with another district. The program would have to be investigated.

The board approved a two-year contract for Principal Jeff Burgess. First year a 5.01% increase with a salary of \$79,000 and full family insurance. The second year a 3% increase to \$81,500.

The board accepted the \$10,000 donation from Lou Ann Nylan for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Library and the \$5,000 donation from Terri Vorderbruggen and family for the Car Restoration Program.

They designated board member Tom Stenzel as the Representative to the MN State High School League along with Athletic Director Kyle Christianson.

Action items for next months’ meeting on February 23 include Health and Safety Meeting, Web site updates and Thanks You cards being sent out.

	December 2015	December 2014
	Cash & Investments	Cash & Investments
Cash and investments	\$1,205,469.68	\$2,739,839.98
Receipts	\$1,022,332.95	\$578,493.01
Total beginning and receipts	\$2,227,802.63	\$3,318,332.63
Disbursements	\$640,308.01	\$608,436.39
Certificate of Deposit-FSB	\$1,000,000.00	0
Total Cash & investments	\$2,587,494.62	\$2,709,896.60
Aid Anticipation Funds	(\$1,442,187.50)	(\$1,894,479.17)
	\$1,145,307.12	\$815,417.43

John DeVries is top speller

Clearbrook-Gonvick held their 2016 District Spelling Bee on Thursday, January 28 at 9:30 am. Eight spellers were selected to compete from fifth through eighth grades.

John DeVries, a 6th grader, was the champion and will be going on to compete at the Regional Spelling Bee that will be held on Wednesday, February 10. The event will be held at Northland Community and Technical College in Thief River Falls.

Savanna Rankin, an 8th grader took second place and Tristin Skinaway, an 8th grader took third place. The winning word was “lactose” which John spelled after he spelled “moxie” to be named the winner. The spelling bee increases vocabulary and improves spelling with participants.



Spelling Bee winners from Clearbrook-Gonvick School were from left to right: Savanna Rankin, second place, Tristin Skinaway, 3rd place and John DeVries first place. John will go on to competition in Thief River Falls.

Lou Nylan estate leaves \$10,000 to Clearbrook-Gonvick School

Clearbrook-Gonvick School board at their regular monthly meeting on January 26, 2016 were notified that the district had received \$10,000 from the estate of Lou Ann Nylan. The donation was to be used only for the Clearbrook-Gonvick School Library.



Lou Ann Nylan

Lou Ann Nylan 77, of Duluth, passed away peacefully after a long struggle with her illness, on Monday, Aug. 18, 2014.

Lou loved to teach; she taught Art in several area schools, touching many lives until she retired. She enjoyed making pottery, drawing, painting, photography, and especially taking care of her geese and ducks.

She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Jay Steele.

Lou is survived by her son, Rod Steele; sister, Joanne Jarrgues; longtime friend and caregiver, Patti Erickson; grandchildren, Joshua E Lucas, and Jacob A Halbrook;

and numerous nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Funeral services were held on Monday, August 25, 2014 under the direction of the Dougherty Funeral Home, 600 E 2nd Street, Duluth, MN, 55805, 218-727-3555.

Her father Ruben was born in Donnelly, MN and her mother Mildred in Bobells, ND. They met in Barrett and in 1928 Dr. and Mrs. Anderson moved to Clearbrook and started a practice. They lived upstairs in the Mercantile Store and had a long stairway with the office upstairs.

Lou Ann was born on October 7, 1936 and was adopted in 1938 by Dr. Ruben and Mildred Anderson. They moved to the building which now houses the Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Center and had their dental office there. That building also housed the Clearbrook Post Office.

Lou Ann was a 1954 graduate of Clearbrook High School.



These eight students two from each grade 5th through 8th grade competed to be able to participate in the Spelling Bee that was held at the Clearbrook-Gonvick School for the right to go to the Regional Spelling Bee in Thief River Falls. Seated left to right: John DeVries, Emma Dorman, Logan Westrum and Hunter Spears. Standing: Tristin Skinaway, Ella Engen, Madison Gerlofs and Savanna Rankin. Some of the words that were missed were” euro, platoon, bewilder, length and splashy. The regional winner goes on to compete in the state and that winner will go to the 2016 Scripps National Spelling Bee that is held in Washington, DC. the end of May this year. The first winner of an official spelling bee was Frank Neuhauser, who won the 1st National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C. in 1925 at age eleven.

Community Calendar

Gonvick Legion post meeting

The Gonvick American Legion Post #304 and Auxiliary meeting will be on Tuesday, February 9th at 7:00 p.m.

Clearwater County Fair Calendar Raffle Winners

- Jan 23 - Dana Thomas, frazee, \$20
- Jan.24- Janice Volstd, Burlington, WI, \$20
- Jan. 25 - Jeff Basinger, Clearbrook, \$20
- Jan. 26 - Hannah Marsh, Gonvick, \$20
- Jan. 27-Laura Holm, Shevlin, \$20
- Jan. 28 - Lacy Kent, Bagley, \$20
- Jan. 29 - Jim Fisher, Lengby, \$20

Trail Blazers meeting February 8

Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club will meet Monday, February 8th, 7:30 PM at the Silver Creek in Shevlin.

Quilting 101

The Clearwater Quilters Guild will be offering a quilt class. Date: March 5, 2016 Time: 9:00 – 4:00 Location: Gonvick Community Center Class fee \$5.00 - plus cost of kit.

Snacks will be provided; lunch is on your own. The project will be for a crib/ lap size quilt in a fun chevron pattern.

A kit will be available for an approx. cost of \$25.00 - \$30.00, it will contain all the fabric needed to construct the quilt top and the binding.

Sewing machines will be provided if needed, along with cutting mats, rotary cutters, irons, rulers, etc.

Bring a friend and come spend the day with experienced quilters and learn the basics of quilting and you might just find your new life long hobby!

To register for the class contact: Judi @ 218-776-3457 or Linda @ 218-776-2433 Or Jane @ 218-487-5318, please leave a message if no answer. Deadline for registration is Feb. 19, 2016.

Our family wishes to express our sincere appreciation for all your prayers and support during Steve's battle with cancer and his passing. Thank you so much for the visits, flowers, food, special music, snow plowing, cards and memorials. We were blessed to have so much support and caring shown to us during this difficult time. A special thank you to Donna and Gordy Solberg who were there to help in whatever way they could through everything. Also, a heartfelt thank you to Bemidji Sanford Oncology and Radiology staff who helped Steve fight as long as he could and to Sanford Hospice staff, especially Ashley, for everything they did to provide him comfort and care during his last months. Finally, we would like to thank Pastor Bob Kirchman for his support and words of comfort and Cease Funeral Home for handling the arrangements. Words cannot fully express how truly thankful we are to have all your support and caring.

Linda Gulbranson, Michele, Matt and Ali, Spencer, Tanya and Colter, Jake and Alyssa and Owen

The Bemidji Symphony Orchestra presents “Traveling Together”

The Bemidji Symphony Orchestra continues its 77th season, “Passionate Journeys” with the concert, “Traveling Together” on Valentine’s Day, Sunday, February 14, 2016 at 3:00 pm at the Bemidji High School Auditorium. Featured artists will be the BSO’s own outstanding musicians, including BSO concertmaster Melanie Hanson, oboist Gretchen Rusch, and saxophonist Michael Hanson. Dr. Beverly Everett conducts.

The BSO will play favorite Valentine love song standards including “My Funny Valentine,” “Embraceable You,” and “When I Fall in Love.” The musical focus then moves into the beautiful sounds of the Baroque era with Chaconne in G minor by Tomaso Antonio Vivaldi and featuring BSO concertmaster Melanie Hanson on violin. This is followed by two concerti of Johann Sebastian Bach. The first, Concerto for Violin and Oboe, features BSO concertmaster Melanie Hanson playing a duet with BSO oboist Gretchen Rusch. Then, on Bach’s Concerto in D minor for Two Violins, Mel-

nie Hanson will be joined in a duet with Michael Hanson on soprano saxophone. Tickets are available at the door the afternoon of the concert, in advance at Lueken’s Foods North and South, or at brownpapertickets.com. Prices are \$20 for adults, \$15 for senior citizens 62+, and \$10 for college students with ID. Students grades K–12 are admitted free. All seats are general admission. Doors open for seating at 2:30 pm.

For more information go to www.bemidjisymphony.org, or call 218/444-7914.

Gonvick American Legion #304 Bingo

Thursdays - Warm-ups 6:45 pm. Regular session 7:00 pm

5th Annual Fireman’s Blizzard Bonanza February 20 in Oklee

Can you believe it, it is already time for the 5th annual Fireman’s Blizzard Bonanza at the Oklee Hall on February 20th.

The fun begins at 5:30 when everyone begins to gather at the Oklee Community Hall were a Silent Auction will be set up with numerous items to bid on. There will be meat raffles again so get ready to bring home the bacon...etc. At 6:00 p.m. the delicious pulled pork meal will be served. TJ’s Tavern will once again be set up in the Oklee Hall for the evening.

Entertainment will be by Tim Eggebraaten and he will be hosting a new event for the night, “The Newlywed Game” which sounds like it could be lots of fun, whether you are participating or watching.

Quilt N’ Craft Day

Quilt N’ Craft Day will be held on February 20th at Oklee Quilting in their new Craft room. We will be incorporating a Project Linus sewing day. 9am-3pm. You may still bring your own projects to work on, or work on Project Linus. OR...if you don’t sew, there is always tying of the quilts!

If you have a quilt you have already made and would like to donate to Project Linus please bring in to Oklee Quilting. Fabric and batting donations are welcome also.

With chapters in all 50 states, Project Linus continues to grow. Blankets are collected locally and distributed to children in hospitals, shelters, social service agencies,

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed. Feb. 3 - Chili, pears, lettuce and dressing, cornbread, gelatin with fruit and whipped topping and milk.

Thurs. Feb. 4 - Meatballs, mashed potatoes, beets, bread, lemon sponge cake and milk.

Fri. Feb. 5 - Ham boiled dinner with cabbage, potatoes, carrots, fruit salad, breadstick, bar and milk.

Mon. Feb. 8 - Sloppy Jo, potato chunks, 3 bean salad, ice cream, bun and milk.

Tues. Feb. 9 - Pork loin, whole parslied potatoes, glazed carrots, dinner roll, cake and milk.

Wed. Feb. 10 - Birthday Meal - Salisbury steak, potatoes, squash, bread, peach crisp and milk.

Meals are served daily at 11:30 at the Clearbrook site except for evening meals served at 5 p.m. They are subject to change. Please register for meals at least the day before. Call 776-3154 to sign up.

Taco Feed

The Clearbrook-Gonvic Bear Football team will be hosting a Fry Bread Taco feed during the day game double header and parent teacher conferences next Thursday, February 11th, from 3:00 - 7:00.

Church News

REDEEMER EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH - LCMS Church Location: Corner of Hwy. 2 & Red Lake Ave. SW Bagley, MN Pastor Linden B. Wendzel Sunday Divine Service: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School / Adult Bible Study: 10:45 a.m.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR’S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD Pastor Robert Kirchman Good Shepherd Wed., Feb. 3 & 10: 5:30 pm Choir Practice; 7:30 pm Handbell Practice Sunday, Feb. 7: 9:00 am Worship/Baptism, 10:00 am Sunday School/ Coffee Hour; Mon. Feb. 8 7:00 p.m. Church Council Joint Wed., Feb. 3: 6:00 pm Confirmation Thurs. Feb. 4th 8:00 am Men’s Prayer Breakfast Our Savior’s Sunday, Feb. 7: 9:45 am Sunday School; 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour, 11:00 am Worship Wed. Feb. 10 5:15 pm Ash Wednesday ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH Clearbrook Pastor Adam Krog Wed, Feb. 3 5:30 p.m. Confirmation, 6:30 p.m. Youth Group, 7:30 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer Thurs., Feb. 4 9:30 a.m. Bible Study & Prayer at Summerfield Apt. Sun. Feb. 7 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, 11:30 a.m. FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor Verlyn Strenge Assoc. Pastor Jim Galloway Clearbrook Wed., Feb. 3- 6:30 p.m. Awana Thurs. Feb. 4- 7:00 p.m. bible Study and Prayer meeting Sat., Feb. 6 - 7:00 a.m. Men’s prayer breakfast at the church. Sun., Feb. 7 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 Morning Worship.

ST. JOSEPH’S CATHOLIC CHURCH Bagley 218-694-6416 Pastor: Fr. JohnMelkies Svavakeen Terri D. Parish sec. Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM Call for weekday Mass times.

OFF THE TRACKS GROOMING Leonard, MN AND MORE! Pamper your pet for Valentines Day... Let me help you out. Flexible appointments available 218-968-2207 No need for grooming? I have hand-made leashes, pet deodorizing candles, sprays and car fresheners too! NOW Solid Gold Treats IN healthy and fun! FROM SMALL TRAINING TREATS TO BISCUITS TO HELP WITH BAD BREATH! Or maybe you want a better diet for your pet without having to spend too much?? Fromm has a great line of premium food at a lower price! DON’T FORGET I can give your pet a fun new ID Tag made on the spot in minutes! Starting at \$8.00 • Please call before coming. THANK YOU!

Now hear this... by Harry Hutchens, Clearwater County Veterans Service Officer

GIVE A VETERAN A LIFT 2016: CVSO NOTE: Added feature this year... The “Quilters of East Polk County” chapter of “The Quilts of Valor” will be presenting quilts to local veterans as a grateful acknowledgment of these particular veterans’ service to our country. The Caring Friends are back again this year to provide a night of the best local live music in support of the Clearwater County Veterans Transportation Program. The annual event will again be held in the comfy seats of the Bagley High School at 7:00 on Saturday, February 20th. This is right after the Sweetheart Dinner at the Bagley Senior Center. Tim Johnson says the talented, heart-for-service musicians that have become so popular over the years will be returning to bless attendees with great music combined with patriotic messages. A free will donation at the door is 100% mileage support for transportation of our local veterans to VA Health Care appointments via the Clearwater County Veterans Transportation Program.

I welcome your own personal comments. Constructive feedback on your own behalf (not anonymous) to our Commissioners is also a valuable gauge of how this office can better serve all veterans and their beneficiaries. Office(218)694-6618;Cell/Text(218)556-5340 Hutch

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

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH 1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6 Senior Pastor Larry Dorman Associate Pastor Jim Binder Youth Pastor Troy Churness Children’s Minister Nikki Ubert www.countryfaith.org 218-776-3367 Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School (Sept 7-May 17) 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 7:00 p.m. Youth Night (check church website for dates) Every Tuesday: 6:30 a.m. Men’s Prayer *Wednesdays: Care groups in various homes

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS Clearbrook Branch 305 Lake Ave. E. Sacrament Meeting: 10:00-11:00 a.m.; Sunday School: 11:20 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Priesthood/Relief Society: 12:10-1:00 p.m.; Young Women’s: 12:10-1:00 p.m.; Primary: 11:20 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

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

GONVICK LUTHERAN PARISH MEMBERS OF NALC Pastor Kris Snyder Cell: 218-358-0162 gonvickparish@gmail.com SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH

Wed., Feb. 3 7:30 AM Men’s Bible Study; 9:30 AM Women’s Bible Study, 10:30 AM Quilting, 6-7 PM Divine Drama, 7:30 Confirmation.

Sun., Feb. 7, 9:30 am Sunday School, 10:30 am Worship Service, 11:30 AM Annual Meeting followed by Cemetery Organization Meeting

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH 55070 149th Ave., Gonvick (218) 487-5308 Sun, Feb. 7 9:00 AM Worship Service,10:00 AM Sunday School Sun. Feb. 14 10:30 am Worship Service followed with potluck meal and Annual Meeting.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH Mt. Olive – Nazareth Oak Park – St. Petri Pastor Jeff Merseith Wed, Feb. 3: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation. Sat, Feb. 6: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive, 10:15 a.m. SS/Confirmation. Sun, Feb. 7: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. St. Petri SS. 8:30 a.m. Nazareth SS. 9:00 a.m. Brunch. 9:45 a.m. Nazareth. 9:45 a.m. Oak Park SS. 11:00 a.m. Oak Park. Tue, Feb. 9: 5:00 p.m. Mt. Olive Lent Service. 5:30 Bible Study. Wed, Feb. 10: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation. Nazareth: 6:00 p.m. Soup/ Sandwich supper. 7:00 p.m. Lent Service. 7:30 p.m. Bible Study. Thu, Feb. 11: 7:00 p.m. St. Petri Lent Service. 7:30 p.m. Bible Study.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH Josiah Hoagland, Pastor Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor www.newjourneypassion.com

Wed, Feb. 3: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. Thu, Feb. 4: 12:00 p.m. Rotary meeting. Fri, Feb. 5: 8:00 a.m. Friday School. Sun, Feb. 7: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School. Tue, Feb. 8: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Quilting. Wed, Feb. 10: ?????

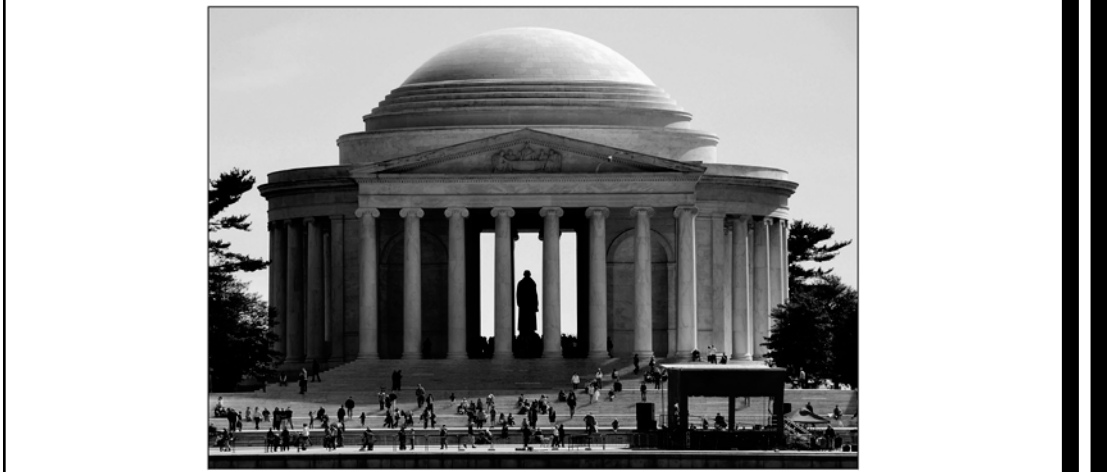
GULLY-TRAIL PARISH Bethany * Lund Sand Valley Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister Sun, Feb. 7: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley. Wed, Feb. 10: 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service at Lund.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston Jon Marx, Lead Pastor Seth Johnson, Assist. Pastor Sun, Feb. 7: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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Presidents Day

In 1776, Thomas Jefferson authored the Declaration of Independence. He served as the first U.S. Secretary of State and later as the second Vice President. He was elected the third President of the United States in 1801.

One of President Jefferson's many achievements was the Louisiana Purchase. He acquired land from France and doubled the size of the U.S. Every February, we honor all of America's Presidents.



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BEAR TRACKS

Toddler Gym!

Join us for Toddler Open Gym!

0-5 year olds and their parents can engage in indoor active play during the cold winter months.

"Come and go" any time between 2:30--4:00 pm
Clearbrook--Gonvick Elementary Gym
Sundays, Jan. 17th – March 13th

Free will donations accepted!

The Clearbrook--Gonvick Early Childhood Initiative is partnering with Community Education, and our Early Childhood programs to offer this great opportunity.



Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

Wed. Feb. 3 - BBQ rib sandwich, Tri tater, fresh fruit and vegetable choices and milk.

Thurs. Feb. 4 - Beef Stew, cornbread muffin, fresh fruit and vegetable choices and milk.

Fri. Feb. 5 - Turkey Subs, Sun Chips, fresh fruit and vegetable choices and milk.

Mon. Feb. 8 - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes & gravy and roll, fresh fruit and veg-

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

etable choices and milk.

Tues. Feb. 9 - Asian Chicken, with rice blend, fresh fruit and vegetable choices and milk.

Wed. Feb. 10 - Corn dog, oven fries, fresh fruit and vegetable choices and milk.

Snowmobile Safety Course January 30

"The Clearwater County Sheriff's Office will be holding a Minnesota DNR Snowmobile Safety Course for youth age 11-15 years old on January 30th in Bagley. Pick up an information sheet from either the Sheriff's Office, Bagley High School and Bagley Elementary School Offices, or the Clearbrook-Gonvick School Office for full details and prerequisites."

School News

Congratulations to the winners of the school spelling bee:
Third place: Tristin Skinaway

Second Place: Savanna Rankin

First place: John DeVries

Girls Basketball team on Lakeland News. Watch it here: <http://www.lptv.org/clearbrook-gonvick-girls-basketball-seeking-first-northwoods-conference-title/>
School board meeting for

February is 2/23 because Presidents' Day holiday.

American Legion Auxiliary Minnesota Girl's State: Junior girls see info below in Counselors Corner.

BoxTops: Please turn in all BoxTops by February 17. It's time to send them in again!

Change for JH BBB schedule: 2/4 @ CG w/ RLC has been moved to RLC(Oklee). 4:30/5:30 starts.



Principal Jeff Burgess was the MC for the Spelling Bee at Clearbrook-Gonvick School. He also lightened the mood with spelling bee jokes!

COUNSELORS CORNER:
Our Counselor is Kim Cousins. Her hours will be 7:45-3:45 Tuesday & Thursday & 8:00-12:00 on Wednesdays.
Seniors: Scholarship opportunities will be listed in the weekly bulletin and on the school web page. Paper applications will be available just outside the Counselor's office. If you have questions, see the CGHS counselor.
Darla Scales Memorial -One \$500 award
Eligibility: MN resident seeking a post-secondary education. Pursuing an office career, preferably in education.
Application: Paper application in the counselor's office.
Deadline: March 31, 2016.
Vernon J. Pick Foundation -One \$2,500 award
Eligibility: Student planning full time college study in the sciences, mathematics, or engineering. Minimum 3.25 cumulative grade point average. ACT score of at least 27.
Application: Paper application in the counselor's office.
Deadline: On or before March 30, 2016.
American Legion Auxiliary Minnesota Girl's State: A week

long, summer session to train participants about the duties, privileges, rights and responsibilities of government as practiced in a democratic society.
Eligibility: Minnesota females that just finished the junior year of high school. U.S. citizen. High moral character and strong leadership abilities. Unmarried. Never attended a Girl's State session. Interest in American government. Above average academic rank. Physically healthy and able to live independently. Respect the American flag and willing to pledge allegiance to it.
Application: Sign up form in the school office.
Deadline: March 1, 2016.
The following web address lists scholarships that Minnesota students are eligible to receive: www.studentscholarships.org/newsletter.php
UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:
Thur, Feb 4: JH BBB @ RLC (Oklee) @ 4:30. Bus ??? This is a location change.
Fri, Feb 5: JH GBB vs RLCC @ 4:30 @ Clearbrook Community Center
Fri, Feb 5: V/JV BBB vs Sacred Heart @ 6:00

ONGOING EVENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Parents: Please check your lunch accounts regularly so you can keep up to date. You can find the links to check your account and to pay on the school web site (see address above) under District--Food Services.
iMPACT meets every Tuesday at 8:00 am in Mrs. Kjolhaug's room. All 7th-12th welcome!
Youth Connection: Tuesday's, 3:00-5:00 for 6th-9th graders at CWLC in Clearbrook
Sunday afternoon open gym: 2:00-4:00, 4th grade and up, 3rd grade and below must be with adult. \$2.00/time or buy a season pass. To March 13th.
Toddler Open Gym: 2:30-4:00 for 0-5 year olds and their families. Jan 17-March 13th. No charge but donations accepted.
Listen to the school news every Tuesday at 2:05 on KKQC 96.7
Please turn in all BoxTops, Campbells Labels for Education UPC's, Loaves for Learning UPC's, ink cartridges for recycling.

SPOTLIGHT

Clearbrook-Gonvick January Elementary Students of the Month



January Elementary Students of the Month. Pictured in back: Trevor Solberg, Danielle Faldet, Trevor Anderson, Pictured in front: Braxton Bjerke, Brodie Sather, Kaitlyn Kumpula, Avery Haugan

January Elementary Students of the Month

Student: Avery Haugan, Kindergarten

Parents: Carrie and Darrick Haugan **Siblings:** Elias

Comments: "It is awesome to have Avery in Kindergarten this year! She is a good friend to others and is good at including others in all games and activities. She is a great helper in class and is a good listener! She does very neat work and always does her best. We are all lucky to have Avery in our class with us!"

Student: Braxton Bjerke, Grade 1

Parents: Siblings: Clint Bjerke and Kayla Iverson

Comments: "First grade students have nominated Braxton as Student of the Month. Braxton is very respectful. He has good work habits. He respects the school rules. Braxton is very helpful. He is willing to help other students out when they need help with their work. He is a good classroom leader. We are lucky to have Braxton in our class."

Student: Kaitlyn Kumpula, Grade 2

Parents: James and Krystal Kumpula

Siblings: Savanah (kindergarten), Jacob (not in school

yet)

Comments: "Second grade students have nominated Kaitlyn as Student of the Month. Kaitlyn is a hard worker who comes to school with a smile on her face every day. She comes to school well prepared and always has her homework completed. She is organized and follows through with her work. She listens well and eagerly shares her thoughts in class discussions. Here are a few comments from her classmates: 'She is helpful and is willing to help anyone that needs help.' 'She is a hard worker.' 'She is a hard worker in class and she is my friend.' 'She gives us bracelets.' 'She will be my partner when I ask her.' Congratulations on being chosen as Student of the Month Kaitlyn! Keep up the good work!"

Student: Brodie Sather, Grade 3

Parents: Chad and Starla Sather **Siblings:** Brianna and Bianca

Comments: "Brodie is working very hard to do the best he can. He is always willing to put in extra time to meet his goals. A few fellow students shared these comment about Brodie: "Brodie is always a good friend to everyone and he likes to help." "He's a hard worker and makes people

laugh." "He likes to help out and is a good friend." Brodie should be proud of his hard work and continue working towards his goals. Congratulations Brodie! Keep it up!"

Student: Trevor Solberg, Grade 4

Parents: Kim and JJ Solberg **Siblings:** Gavin

Comments: "Trevor Solberg is a student that is a dream to have in class. He is always happy and excited to learn. He works hard and listens during class. He is willing to try new idea and ask for help when he needs support. He always does his best work and gets his school work done. He makes his classmates and myself smile on a daily basis with exciting stories and adventures that he is always willing to share. Trevor is 4th grades student of the MONTH! Congrats!"

Student: Trevor Anderson, Grade 5

Parents: Josh and Viola Anderson **Siblings:** Gabrielle

Comments: "Trevor is an ambitious, kind, and friendly student. Trevor works hard at doing his best on every, single assignment. He likes to help his classmates and works together with them to make sure our classroom has a fun and friendly atmosphere." "Trevor is very conscientious about doing quality work and getting his work completed on time. He has a fun sense of humor and a great smile. He is a very enjoyable student to have in my class."

Student: Danielle Faldet, Grade 6

Parents: Ross and Jennifer Faldet **Siblings:** Madalynne and Jonah

Comments: "The sixth grade would like to nominate Danielle Faldet for student of the month. Danielle works behind the scenes and goes the extra mile...not just personally, but helping others, as well. Danielle is an optimist. She has a bounce in her step and her smile can light up a room. Her classmates describe her as kind, helpful, funny, clean, organized, a hard worker, and a good leader. Her teachers would definitely agree."



The 2016 Clearbrook-Gonvick Theater One Act Play Cast directed by Mark Carter. Shown in the back L-R: Callie Baker, Jeanette Ballard, Sierra Walters, Jazmyn Smith, Kendehl Ballard, Cameron Danielson. Front l-r: Cami Johnson and Xavier Goodwin. The one act play, written by Bill Springer in 1973, is titled Frumpled Fairy Tales. They presented the play in Bagley at the Sub-Section Competition on Saturday, January 30 at the high school. Other schools involved in the competition were Win-E-Mac, Fosston, Clearbrook-Gonvick, Voyageurs Expeditionary School, Bagley, and Red Lake County Central.



Kim Anderson was the pronouncer, to Jolee Hjort and Sharon Johnson were judges for the Clerbrook-Gonvick Spelling Bee that was held last week.

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