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2022 Year in Review

September 7, 2022
Construction crews started street paving in Clearbrook... New staff welcomed at the Clearbrook-Gonvick School. They included: Val Wahl, Jack Johnson, Melanie TeHennepe,

Melissa Larson, Riley Huppert, Becky Holter, Doug Johnson, Monica Johnson and Hanna Lavin...Richard and Cheryl Mollin century farm featured... Clearwater Coating in Gonvick working with MUSKOX in Men-

tor on powder coating snow and ice attachments. Ron and Melissa Bergman and Paul Jacob Ruckreigle paired up... New Bridge of Hope made in the park in Clearbrook with donation from Laura Grant...

We lost
Harriet Rolf, Ronald Anderson

September 14, 2022
Ethel Thorlacius and Tamara Edevold were presented plaques from the Minnesota Historic Northwest for their service to historical societies... Annual tractor parade held in McIntosh... Jim Juve is the new Police Sergeant in the City of Fosston. He had been a police chief for Clearbrook and Gonvick... Pond School and District held at reunion on Pearl Evenwolf's farm on the lake near Pinewood...

We lost
Patricia Lynch, Mary Wicher, John "Jerry" Berg, Donovan Stoneouse, Adolore Plante

September 21, 2022
Kyle Bowman won a Grand Champion Commercial Yearling Ewe at the Minnesota State Fair representing Clearwater County... Glenn and Floyd Bergerson receive Quilts of Valor... Dan Johnson, son of Robert Johnson and Charlotte Hedin named Vice President of Operations and Site Leader at Arctic Cat facilities in Thief River Falls and St. Cloud... Vernes Church held their annual community 4-wheeler ride and a light lunch at the church... Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears win over Cass Lake 36-6 in football...

We lost...
Lynda Loiland, Regene Radniecki, Corlan Kleinschmidt

September 28, 2022
Pumpkin Day and Car show ended up with a little rain at the end. Ray Norman from Milaca had the winning pumpkin at 820 pounds for \$1000. The 20th annual Bill Schmunk Memorial Award was given to Wayne Bergh. Car show winners of \$100 each and a plaque were Pat Cumo, David Hagen, Pam Johnson, and Rick Myrum.

We lost...
Cecilia Dessellier, Tony Vedbraaten, Darrel Westcott, Ila ae Lene, Sharon George, Donald Bagaason, Dina O'Brien, Darlene Clemenson, Donald Porter



Welcome Kasey Jo Lene to the Clearbrook-Gonvick School staff!

"Hello! My name is Kasey Jo Lene. I have been married to my high school sweetheart Jerad for 30 years and we have three children. Brady, who serves in the United States Air Force, Tucker, who works for Delta, and Trinity, who is in her junior year of high school here at Clearbrook-Gonvick. I also have two grandchildren, Johnny and Gentry.

In my free time, I enjoy family time on the Lene Land, being outdoors exploring nature, helping my husband scout for deer and coyotes as well as trapping and fishing. Side by side rides in the woods are one of my favorite pass times. I also enjoy gardening, canning, cooking, as well as making natural products and homemade soaps.

I'm excited to join the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears Family, along with Robin and the crew as a cook in the kitchen. I hope to brighten people's day with a kind heart and a warm smile."



The light pole in Gonvick was hit and Ottertail Power Company and Gonvick Maintenance person Dan Johnson were able to put up a new one. Two trucks were able to make quick work of the setting of the new pole.

County Board of Commissioners report

By Darin Steindl,
Farmers Independent
The January 31, 2023 meeting of the Clearwater County Board of Commissioners was convened at 9:00 am. Following the approval of the agenda and minutes from the January 17 meeting, department reports were heard.

Auditor – Amie Jordan, Board Coordinator, submitted a request from Allen Paulson, Auditor/Treasurer, for the board to approve the 2021 Financial Statement for publication. Commissioner John Nelson made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Mark Larson, motion carried.

Sheriff – Sheriff Darin Halverson, submitted two requests for hiring staff to the Sheriff Department. By filling these staff position, the department would be at full strength for a short time. One staff member has submitted their two week notice. When that staff member leaves, the department would

need to fill that vacancy to get back to full strength. Commissioner Nelson made a motion to authorize the Sheriff to hire Garrett Baumann as a part-time Communication Corrections Officer, pending successful completion of a background check. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mark Titera and was passed. Commissioner Larson made a motion to authorize the Sheriff to hire Stephen McKelvey as a part-time Communication Corrections Officer, pending successful completion of a background check. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stuart Dukek and was passed.

Soil & Water – Lori Buell and Brielle Prokosch discussed the annual contract with Always There Staffing to hire, train and pay Watercraft Inspectors for the 2023 boating season. The contract specifies the hourly bill rate to the county as \$21.30 per hour for 1st year inspectors, with increasing amounts for

inspectors with more years of service, topping out at \$23.79 per hour. Commissioner Titera made a motion to approve the contract for 2023, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Motion carried.

Next was the renewal of a three-year agreement between the County and DNR for Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Inspections. The agreement allows the DNR to enable local governmental authorities to perform AIS inspections and manage access to water resources. Commissioner Nelson made a motion to approve the agreement, seconded by Commissioner Dukek. Motion passed.

Discussions then turned to the pending lease agreement between the County and DNR for a CD3 wash station on Clearwater Lake. County Attorney Kathryn Lorschbach shared with the board that she had reviewed

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Family members who celebrated Logan Westrum's 1000 basketball point for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears from left to right: Bob and Rita Westrum, Jeff, Logan, Oliver and Krysten Westrum and Cyndi and Dave Lee.

With 6:03 left in the half Senior Logan Westrum was fouled and he went to the free throw line to shoot two. He made his 27th point and that put him in the 1000 point club for his basketball career. Bears Head Coach Chris Westrum had asked the Red Lake Coach if the game be stopped so that he could be honored for his efforts. He ended up with 33 points for the evening.

Community Calendar

Special program "Love Conquers All"

There will be a special program at the Samhold Lutheran Ladies aid meeting on Thursday, February 16. The theme is "Love Conquers All". Sam and Dorothy Walton of rural Gully will speak about their harrowing experience with COVID and how love helped Dorothy heal.

Everyone is welcome at the program at 2:30 p.m. in the Samhold church basement.

Coffee and goodies will be served after the program by Ladies Aide members.

Prosser is guest speaker at BAAC

BAAC Writer's Gathering will be held at the Bagley Public Library on February 15 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM Juleigh Prosser from Clearbrook will be the guest speaker. All folks interested in writing are welcome. Free admission.

Mission Friends meeting February 9

Elim Mission Friends will meet on Thursday, February 9th at 2:30 pm at the Clearbrook Elim Church.

The missionary update, devotion and meditation will be given followed by our monthly meeting.

February hostesses are Roxanne Engebretson and Abby Sloan.

"Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club to Meet"

The Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club will be meeting on Monday, February 13th, at 7:30pm at the clubhouse in Leonard. Nominations were taken at the January meeting but will be opened again before the actual voting takes place for club directors.

Humane Society meeting February 9 at Bagley Legion

The Annual Membership Meeting of the Clearwater County Humane Society is scheduled for Thursday February 9th at 6:30 pm at the Bagley American Legion. Open to the public.

Historical Society annual meeting February 26

The Clearwater County Historical Society will hold its Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 26, 2023 at the Bagley Legion Auditorium at 1:00 pm.

Members and friends are invited to attend. Agenda includes election of 3 directors and any other business brought before the board of directors.

Light refreshments will be served. A program on "Obsolete Jobs" will be shown after the meeting.

For more information contact the history center at 218-785-2000

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed. Feb. 8 - Sweet and Sour Chicken, Rice, Veggie, Fruit

Thurs. Feb. 9 - Sloppy Joe, Potatoes, baked Beans, Dessert.

Fri. Feb. 10 - Fish, Potatoes, Veggie, Jello

Included with the meal: Vegetable, Bread, Milk, Dessert or Fruit.

We welcome in house dining and home delivery. Call to sign up 776-3154 for more info. Senior Meals on Wheels Program. 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.

Clearwater DAC annual meeting

The Annual Board Meeting for the Clearwater DAC and Pine Ridge Residence will be held February 14th at 1pm at the Main Office of the DAC.

Give a Vet a Lift concert in Bagley this Saturday

The annual Give a Veteran a Lift benefit concert will be held from 7:00-9:30 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 11 at the Bagley High School Auditorium in Bagley.

The event will feature music from The Fradenburghs, The Snowmen, Bernie Uran, and Figuring It Out (The Abello Family Band).

A Sweetheart Supper will be served at the Bagley Senior Center starting at 5:00 p.m. that evening before the show.

Admission is free; free-will offerings will be accepted with 100% of the proceeds going to the Clearwater County Veterans Transportation fund. This fund provides transportation services for veterans who need rides to medical appointments, etc.

Come out and enjoy an evening of family-friendly classic, country-western, and bluegrass music for a great cause!

AARP Volunteers Needed

AARP is looking for volunteers to prepare basic income taxes for seniors, low to moderate income and disabled persons at various sites in Minnesota for the coming tax season as well as administrative people both locally, district wide and State. Training, supplies, equipment and mileage at the federal rate will be provided. Volunteers will also be provided with both written, online and in person training for both federal and state taxes. Upon completion of training, volunteers will need to take an open book test in order to be certified as competent to prepare taxes for the IRS as well as the other positions.

For further information or to apply, please contact Carol Peterson at 218-791-2177.

Ad deadline: Noon Friday

Date is set

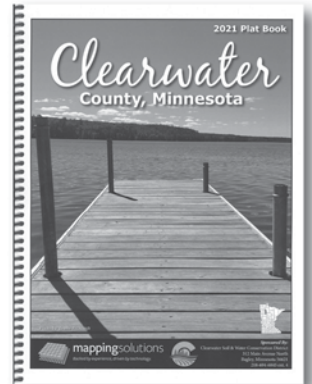
The date has been set! Lund Lutheran Church Congregation of Gully turned 125 on January 16, and will be celebrating this big anniversary on July 16th, 2023. All members and friends, please mark your calendar! Event planning is underway. Participants welcome. Contact Lund Church members with your ideas and questions, or stay for coffee on the 1st Sunday of each month after 9 a.m. church services.

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Commissioners..

Continued from front page the agreement and suggested some additional wording be added to clarify the terms. Commissioner Larson made a motion to approve the agreement, pending the suggested wording additions suggested by the County Attorney. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nelson. During discussion, the issue of liability in the case of someone injuring themselves while using the wash station was a main topic. Since the wash station did not include a power washer, only tools such as a brush and grabber, the likelihood of someone being injured should be minimal. In effect, the agreement would only mean that the DNR would not charge the County for leasing the space for the station. The station would need to be paid for by the County and liability would be on the county. Following the discussion, the commissioners voted, with Larson, Nelson and Titera voting yes and Dukek voting no. As board chair Commissioner Dean Newland did not need to vote to break a tie. Motion passed.

Environmental Services – Dan Hecht submitted two resolutions for board consideration regarding grant proposals for improvements to solid waste infrastructure projects being proposed by a nine-county coalition and by Polk County. Commissioner Titera made a motion to approve the resolution supporting improvements to Regional Solid Waste Management infrastructure, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Motion carried. Commissioner Newland made a motion to approve the resolution supporting improvements to the Polk County Solid Waste Processing and Compositing facilities, seconded by Commissioner Dukek. Motion carried.

Nursing Service – Lisa Syverson submitted a request to hire a CNA. Commissioner Titera made a motion to approve the hiring of Joni Twito, CNA, at step 10 part time. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dukek. Motion passed.

Maintenance – Derek Loiland explained to the board that a new furnace is needed for the Nursing Services building. He had collected three bids for the project, with the board reviewing and approving the lowest bid. (However, after the meeting, Loiland discovered that bidders had inaccurate information about the specs for the building. Loiland contacted the commissioners and asked that the bid approval be rescinded. Loiland will contact the bidders to ask them to resubmit bids with the correct specifications.)

With no other items on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 am.



Church News

SAMHOLD LUTHERAN CHURCH - NALC Gonvik
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

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH
1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6
Senior Pastor Larry Dorman
Assoc. Pastor Brad Binder
Assoc. Pastor Nathan Nordlund
Children's Ministry Lead Kari Godin
www.countryfaith.org
218-776-3367
office@countryfaith.org
Sunday Morning Worship 9:30a.m. Fellowship Time, 10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Nursery & Jr. Church during sermon time) 6:00 p.m. Youth Night (Most Sundays)
Every Tuesday at 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer
Check the website or Facebook for up-to-date information.

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

Community Art Studios
Second Monday of the month from 12:30-3:00pm. \$10 per person. At CWLC Gonvik February 13th we'll be creating Jewelry with Heart.
Register at www.clearwaterslife.org/art-experiences

Third Monday of the month from 12:30-3:00pm. \$10 per person. At CWLC Gonvik February 20th Basket Weaving
*These activities are made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Minnesota State Arts Board and Region 2 Arts Council, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund.

Senior Connection Cooking Class Monday Feb 13th 11a.m. to 12:30p.m. at CWLC in Gonvik. During each class prep and make a nutritious meal then sample it! Sponsored by Clear Waters Life Center and Prime West Health.

SAVE THE DATE Friday, Feb 24th from 5-8p.m. Climbing Wall Fundraiser at the CWLC Gym in Clearbrook. We'll have food, prizes, obstacle course and more!

Friday Night Out March 3rd at CWLC Gonvik from 5-7pm. We will be indulging in Hawaiian cuisine to kick off. With Sesame Cabbage Salad, Teriyaki Pork & Vegetable Stir-fry with Rice, and Hawaiian Wedding Cake for dessert. RSVP online at www.clearwaterslife.org or call 218-776-2789. We recommend \$20 per person donation (\$10 for 12 and under).

Senior Homemaking and Chore Services Now Available! We are excited to offer services like general housework, sorting and organizing, snow removal, small outdoor repairs and more. Call our office to schedule! 218-776-2789.

Volunteer! We are in need of people just like you. Needs are varied from sorting items at Shop At The Top to transporting a senior to an appt to being a mentor to a local teen. Stop in or call to see where you can help build lives, grow relationships and impart hope. 218-776-2789.

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CWLC Clearbrook: 256 2nd Ave SW
CWLC Gonvik: 226 Elm St.
Phone: 218-776-2789
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Good Shepherd
Wed., Feb. 8 - 5:45pm Confirmation/Meal 7-9th Grade; 6:00pm Vocal Choir
Sun., Feb. 12- 9:00am Worship & Communion with Deacon Jess Thielke; 10:00am Coffee Hour & Sunday School
Mon., Feb. 13 - 7:00pm Good Shepherd Council Meeting
Wed., Feb. 15 - 5:45pm Confirmation/Meal 7-9th Grade; 6:00pm Vocal Choir
Office Hours - Monday: Closed, Tuesday – Friday: 8:00am – 2:00pm
Our Savior's
Sun., Feb. 12 - 10:00am Coffee Hour & Sunday School; 11:00am Worship & Communion with Pastor Gary Graff

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog
Wed. - 7:00 p.m. Prayer Time
Sun. - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 am Worship Service.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed, Feb. 8: 5:00-7:00 p.m. Wednesday School. 6:30 p.m. Vespers. 7:00 p.m. LYS.
Sat, Feb. 11: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, Feb. 12: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri, 9:15 SS. 9:45 a.m. Oak Park, 8:45 SS. 11:00 a.m. Nazareth, 10:00 SS followed by meal and annual meeting.
Find services and past sermons at www.facebook.com/clearwaterlutheranparish

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH Jarred LeBon, Pastor Tyler Stynsberg, Assoc. Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Feb. 8: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Sun, Feb. 12: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. 10:00 a.m. Worship.
Tue, Feb. 14: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions.
Wed, Feb. 15: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH Bethany * Lund Sand Valley Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, Feb. 8: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation at Lund.
Sun, Feb. 12: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Lund. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Sand Valley.
Wed, Feb. 15: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation at Lund.
CDC safety guidelines for COVID-19 will be followed.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston Seth Johnson, Head Pastor
Sundays: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. 10:00 a.m. Worship Service. Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m. Kids, High School & Adult programs.
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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Clearbrook-Gonvick School Lunch Menu

Wed. Feb. 8: Sub Sandwich, Baked Chips, Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Choices & Milk, **Snack** - Graham Crackers
Thurs. Feb. 9: Loaded Nachos, with Fixings, Black Bean Salsa, Fresh Fruit and

Clearbrook-Gonvick 2nd Quarter Honor Roll

“A” Honor Roll
12th Grade - Jesse Anderson, Hailee Hanson, Dawson Quern, Logan Westrum
11th Grade - Skylar Ballard, Alex Churness, Phung Do, Abigail Engen, Benjamin Goudge, Haley McCoy
10th Grade - Dylan Dahlke, Kameryn Defoe, Alexander Harvey, Allison LaVine, Tatum Melby, Cecelia Midbo, Aleeyah Molden, Emma Nybo, Craig Roy III, Meika Schmidtgal, Cooper Wishard
9th Grade - Jacie Bergerson, Emma Fawver, Joley Hinrichs Olson, Sarah Imle, Logan Knutson, Ava Larson, Amelia Machlitt, Chasity Mathson, Aubrey McCoy , Hannah Weems, Mikalea W eems, Wyatt Westrum
8th Grade - Lucas Bakken, Bjerke, Hadley DeVries, Grant Engen, Ryan Gerlofs, Anna Harvey, Carver Kroulik, Ivan Marsh, Malea Mathson
7th Grade - Alexa Anderson, Lainey Fawver, Kendra Klein, Gunner Olson, Carter Peterson

“B” Honor Roll
12th Grade - Kelsee Anderson, Trevor Anderson, Isabelle Coxsey , Drea Donnell, Ty Dyr-dahl, Elizabeth Eckman, Delron Gamber, Deagan Griffin, Matthew Londo, Anna Piatkoff, Sarah Reichert, Briana Sather, Riley Tharaldson
11th Grade - Roman Beaulieu, Colin Crotteau, Callie Ehresmann, Lamia Fairbanks, Makenna Hartwig, Luke Johnson, Jason Sharp, Keenan Smith, Trevor Solberg, Skye Sunderland, David Weems, Nathan Weems
10th Grade - Jacob Ander-

Vegetable Choices and Milk. **Snack** - Cheddar Chex
Friday, Feb. 10 - Hot Dog on Bun, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Watermelon, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk. **Snack** - Rice Krispy
Mon. Feb. 13: Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Garlic Breadstick, Green Beans, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk. **Snack** - Cereal Bar



Lauren Lien, Administrative Assistant
Clearbrook-Gonvick School District

son, Ronald Beaulieu III, Ryan Bodensteiner, Timothy Chandler, Jason Defoe Jr. , Camille DeSchane, Vernelle Kingbird-Spears, Kailey Klema, Cherlize Martin, James Preuss, Clayton Smith, Isabelle Torgerson, Reign Wegscheid
9th Grade - Brady Beaulieu, Brandon Branchaud, Layla Engebretson, Elijah Hacker, Milenia Shegrud
8th Grade - Carter Ballard, Blayten Benson, Mysten Dahlke, Mya Engen, Trey Goudge, Makenzie Holmstrom, Jaret Larson, Molly Nelson, Kailem White
7th Grade - Bella Dahl, Jasmine Erickson, Aris Halvorson, Raina Jarnot, Savanah Kumpula, Charlie Phillips, Kreed Shegrud, August Wishard, Peyton Wittenberg

Tues. Feb. 14: Chicken Patty on Bun, Tri Taters, Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Choices, Milk. **Snack** -Pop Tart
Please note- this may change!!! Some food items that we normally purchase are not available!
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SPORTS SCHEDULES FOR CLEARBROOK-GONVICK

Girls
2/9/23.....vs. Kelliher/Northome
2/10/23.....@ GGG
2/14/23.....@ Red Lake
Boys
2/9/23 @ Northern Freeze
2/11/23 vs. KCC (@ Sacred Heart, Super Saturday)

Bears and Red Lake
What a game the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears had against the Red Lake Warriors on Tuesday, January 31, 2023. A very physical game with the Bears starting out with a 21 to 14 lead in the first half. With less than two minutes to go in the first half Red Lake took a 30-28 lead and with several turnovers by the Bears went into half time break ahead 49-37.
The second half had four technical fouls on the teams. Red Lake had an 18 point lead but the Bears were able to narrow it down to a six point lead. With 6:03 left in the half Senior Logan Westrum was fouled and he went to the free throw line to shoot two. He made his 27th point and that put him in the 1000 point club for his basketball career. Bears Head Coach Chris Westrum had asked that the game be stopped so that he could be honored for his efforts. He ended up with 33 points for the evening. Also scoring for the Bears were Michael Roy, 21, Ben Goudge, 13, Braxton Bjerke, 8, Hassani Bruton, 6, Alex Churness 5 and Ryan Bodensteiner 3.
Scoring for the Red Lake Warriors were: Ken Fox 37, Gerald Kingbird Jr. 24, Cade Beaulieu 15, William Kingbird Jr. 8, Justin Brown 6 , Gordon Thompson Jr. 5 and Austin Perkins 2. The Warriors went hoe with the 97-87 victory.

Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears were honored at Champions Night

Article from the Leader Record
Photos Kendehl Ballard
Friday, February 23, 2016 brought several Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears back to be honored. Businesses, community groups and individuals have all given the school sports and activities much support over the years. Several people were unable to attend due to distance, weather and coaching commitments with their own children. Teams and 1000 point scorers were recognized for their efforts.

1000 point club and 1000 rebound club were honored. The first two members in 1991 were Bryan Westrum 1165-1991 and Kris Hopperstad 1200-1991 (Kris was the very first Bear to achieve 1000 points). In 1992 it was Jeff Brunberg and he is also the all-time boys scorer, 1997- 1992 . In 1994 - Chris Schmitz 1303-1994; In 1996 - Ryan Voigt 1201-1996; In 2002 Chris Westrum 1188-2002; In 2006 - Katie Anderson 1071-2006; In 2007 - Heidi Kjolhaug 1361- 2007 and Clayton Johnson 1211-2007; In 2010 Brennan Bakke 1178-2010; In 2011 - Brooke Wraa 1391-2011 and Whitney Rogstad 1158-2011; In 2016 - Madison Stenzel 1687-2016 and Sam Lavin 1101-2016; In 2017 - Liz Bodensteiner 2006 points and and 1052 rebounds. Liz is the all-time leading scorer and rebounder for the Bears and the only member of the 2000 point club and 1000 rebound club.

The very first Sub-section Champion team was 1990-1991. The team of trailblazers began a run of success for the Bears. The team included: Shawn Johnson, Jeff Ostrom, John Ostrom, Jeremy Goudge, Steve Belland, Shannon Roepke, Bryan Westrum, Shane Roepke, Jeremy Bakken, Jeff Brunberg, Joe Johnson, Rusty Johnnson, Perry Torgerson, Yash Gustafson, Craig Nelson, Trent Thorson, John Griffith. They were coached by Steve Philion, Bob Westrum and Dion Bagaason.

Managers and stats were Jeremy Erickson, Yonnie Eiden, Hayley Johnson, Michelle Steile, and Marik Moen. Video by Eric Graftaas and Larry Syverson.

The first girls team to win the Sub-Section championship was in 2006-2007. The team showed the way to success. Team members included: Amanda Eck, Kate Aakre, Ja-

rica Hammes, Heidi Kjolhaug, Erica Brammer, Paige Hammes, Maria Kjolhaug, Karli Watne, Rebecca Gunvalson, Claire Rydeen, and Nikki Churness. They were coached by Ross Faldet.
The boys team of 1991-1992 went a step further by winning the Section Championship and becoming the first Bears team to play at the state tournament.
The 1992-1993 boys team became the only Bears team to win

a game at the state tournament. They finished in fourth place. The girls teams from 2011-2012; 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 marked the beginning of a run of three championships in four years.
Editors note
These were 1000 point club members until 2015. We do not have record of any from that point on. Help us update our lists if you have any.



Logan Westrum, the latest 1000 club member for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears.

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City of Bagley - Total 21
01/29/23 13:50:34 ASSIST - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/30/23 03:44:59 Motorist Assist
01/30/23 13:39:00 ASSIST
01/30/23 14:54:22 Information
01/31/23 10:25:30 Crimes Against Family - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/31/23 10:33:41 Crimes Against Family - Information
02/01/23 14:31:13 Medical - Patient Refused Evaluation/Care
02/01/23 14:52:39 911 Hang Up
02/01/23 16:42:04 Traffic Stop
02/01/23 20:21:15 ASSIST
02/01/23 20:54:44 Traffic Stop
02/02/23 03:13:45 Traffic Stop
02/02/23 10:31:31 Juvenile Misc - Assistance
02/03/23 08:55:10 Crimes Against Family - Information
02/03/23 10:34:25 Motorist Assist
02/03/23 12:47:46 ASSIST
02/03/23 12:53:05 ASSIST
02/03/23 13:37:16 Sexual Conduct - Handled By Officer / Deputy
02/03/23 16:05:57 Information
02/04/23 04:58:47 Information
02/04/23 07:13:19 Medical - Handled By Officer / Deputy
City of Clearbrook - Total 5
01/29/23 18:15:55 Traffic Stop
01/30/23 11:13:49 Fraud - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/31/23 14:40:07 Sexual Conduct - Handled By Officer
01/31/23 21:31:19 Traffic Stop
02/03/23 11:24:04 Traffic Stop
City of Gonvick - Total 1
01/30/23 10:11:48 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
City of Shevlin - Total 2
01/31/23 15:53:00 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
02/04/23 16:34:56 Extra Patrol
Copley - Total 10
01/29/23 22:02:47 Vehicle Off Road - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/30/23 09:52:04 Juvenile Misc
01/30/23 12:07:31 Motor Vehicle Crash - Information
01/31/23 03:06:29 Traffic Stop
02/01/23 09:30:42 Motorist Assist
02/01/23 12:31:08 Motorist Assist
02/01/23 13:11:15 911 Hang Up
02/02/23 11:16:34 Information
02/02/23 15:49:24 Motor Vehicle Crash - Handled By Officer / Deputy
02/03/23 12:32:39 Motorist Assist
Dudley - Total 5
01/30/23 10:54:29 Crimes Against Family - Information
01/30/23 17:07:34 Traffic Stop
01/31/23 10:21:13 Crimes Against Family - Handled By Officer / Deputy
02/03/23 02:39:02 Suspicious Activity - Information
02/04/23 18:55:33 Threats - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Falk - Total 2
01/30/23 12:30:11 Civil Complaint
01/31/23 22:38:06 Traffic Stop
Greenwood - Total 1
01/29/23 10:34:51 Death - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Holst - Total 3
02/03/23 07:27:07 Traffic Stop
02/03/23 08:01:48 Traffic Stop
02/03/23 08:22:45 Traffic Stop
LaPraire - Total 3
02/01/23 16:53:12 Welfare Check
02/02/23 01:22:28 Traffic Stop
02/02/23 11:42:17 Welfare Check
LaPraire N- Total 4
01/30/23 10:58:01 Crimes Against Family - Information
01/30/23 12:17:25 Trespass - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/30/23 16:12:18 Suspicious Activity - Handled By Officer / Deputy
02/03/23 08:35:15 Suspicious Activity - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Leon - Total 6
01/31/23 16:26:48 Traffic Stop - Citation Issued (Verbal Or Written)
02/03/23 01:28:30 Officer Detail
02/03/23 16:09:31 Traffic Stop - Citation Issued (Verbal Or Written)
02/04/23 13:15:16 Medical - Handled By Officer / Deputy
02/04/23 13:45:42 Information Only - Handled By Officer / Deputy
02/04/23 14:52:36 Traffic Stop
Minerva - Total 5
01/31/23 11:53:45 Burglary O - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/31/23 16:28:45 Medical 45 - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
01/31/23 23:15:14 Suspicious Activity O - Handled By Officer / Deputy
02/03/23 18:09:17 Medical 45 - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
02/04/23 19:20:30 Medical 45 - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
CW Minerva Total: 5
CW Moose Creek
01/31/23 10:00:00 Medical 21 - Unit Cancelled Enroute
Nora - Total 4
01/31/23 00:38:32 Motorist Assist
02/01/23 15:18:16 Traffic Stop
02/02/23 12:24:22 CIVIL PROCESS - Handled By Officer
02/03/23 09:06:39 Crimes Against Family - Information
Out of Jurisdiction - Total 2
01/29/23 20:23:59 Court Order Violation - Information
02/03/23 14:37:10 Crimes Against Family - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Pine Lake - Total 2
01/30/23 23:35:04 Traffic Stop
02/03/23 06:56:11 Traffic Stop
Popple - Total 1
01/30/23 10:47:54 Crimes Against Family - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Rice - Total 6
01/29/23 19:41:27 Information
02/01/23 15:54:29 911 Hang Up
02/01/23 21:38:59 ASSIST
02/02/23 18:51:33 Medical - Handled By Officer / Deputy
02/03/23 11:28:51 Hazmat - Handled By Officer / Deputy
02/04/23 23:48:12 Animal Related
Shevlin - Total 5
01/29/23 16:22:14 Motor Vehicle Crash - Handled By Officer / Deputy
01/29/23 20:10:58 Animal Related
01/30/23 13:12:26 Crimes Against Family - Information
01/31/23 22:54:13 Welfare Check
02/02/23 19:31:12 Vehicle Lock Out - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Sinclair - Total 1
02/04/23 14:34:39 Traffic Stop
Total Records: 92

STORY TOSHARE!

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Congratulations to the Clearbrook-Gonvick Friday Bear Wear winners for February 2nd!
Back: Brekken Benson, Donna Rude, Jacie Bergerson, Daniel Rankin. Middle: Ari Hanson, Serenity Daken, Sheree Hoie, and Luke Johnson. Front: Veida Pletchett and Zayden Proffitt

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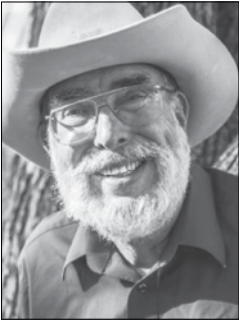
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Home Country By Slim Randles

It's coming up on St. Valentine's Day, so I thought I should share the love story of Coalie and Wilma, and every word is true.

Coalie was one of Sequoia-Kings Pack Trains' mules. Coal black of course, and if he should get a good shot, you could be kicked. Pack mule, not riding mule. Wilma was a little brown mule belonging to Rock Creek



Pack Station out of Bishop, some 40 miles north of us. Well, my boss, Gene Burkhardt, and Rock Creek's boss, Herb London, pastured their pack stock together each winter just outside Independence. Come June, we'd go catch our stock out of this 110,000-acre mostly desert ranch, and string them together and lead them straight up

about 10 miles to a little meadow called Onion Valley, where our headquarters were. It took days to get them all up there. Herb's packers would truck his stock more than 40 miles north, through three towns and lots of rough country, to their pack station. It was about three days after I'd led a string of mules overnight to the pack station, including Coalie, and got ready for our season. I went out in the morning and found a little brown mare mule giving muzzle snuggles to Coalie. From the brand on her, we knew she was one of Herb's, so Gene called him and Herb drove all the way to get her.

Four days later, she was back in the mule corral making mulie smooches with her boyfriend. She had tracked Coalie from the winter pasture down 40 miles of highway 395, across five miles of desert and up nine miles of mountains. Twice. Mules have gender, but are sterile hybrids and don't "mate" physically. They are a combination of a horse mother and a donkey dad. Gene and Herb decided love was stronger than anything else we had around there, so Gene gave Herb a mule, and Wilma became ours. Well, Coalie's. After that, for as long as they lived, if you took one, you had to take the other. A few of the old packers said they'd heard about mules occasionally getting "married" but this was the first time seeing it, and it was the first for me, too. So Happy Valentine's Day, Coalie and Wilma, wherever you roam these days. Thanks for setting a good example for the rest of us. The world loves lovers.

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Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

The Gonvick monthly fish fry will be held on Saturday, February 11. Shorty's in Gully will be having prime rib for a special on Friday and Saturday night. The Annual Membership Meeting of the Clearwater County Humane Society is scheduled for Thursday February 9th at 630 pm at the Bagley American Legion. Open to the Public. Special program at the Samhold Lutheran Ladies aid meeting on Thursday, February 16. The theme is "Love Conquers All". Sam and Dorothy Walton of rural Gully will speak about their harrowing experience with COVID and how love helped Dorothy heal at 2:30.

Brown Bag History John Eggers presents 'the Fabulous 1950s' at Brown Bag History February 16 Beltrami County Historical Society hosts author and historian John Eggers for his presentation, "The Fabulous 1950s: Growing up in a small town in Minnesota," at noon on Thursday, February 16, at the History Center, 130 Minnesota Ave. SW. Eggers is a retired teacher and author whose most recent book, "Livin' in the 50s Memories," paints a picture of what it was like to live in small town Minnesota, when a teenager's world consisted of what was going on within a 20-mile radius of home. This presentation is free, and participants are welcome to bring their lunch and beverage to enjoy during the program. We'll share 50s music at the beginning and end of the program to enhance your historical experience! For more information on Brown Bag History and future events, please visit our website, https://www.beltramihistory.org, or follow us on social media (@beltramihistory).

Book Fair will be held at the Clearbrook-Gonvick School February 14 to 17. Area news... There was a water main break on Birch Street in Gonvick on Monday, February 6. On January 31st there was a tour of the new Bemidji Veterans home. The home is a 78,000 Square Foot, 72 bed facility. Area events... The Nordlund Stock Farm LLC will be holding their 26th annual production sale on February 18, 2023. 78 bulls and 60 females. Make plans to join them at the farm located at 44946 151st Ave, Clearbrook. The date has been set! Lund Lutheran Church Congregation of Gully turned 125 on January 16, and will be celebrating this big anniversary on July 16th, 2023. All members and friends, please mark your calendar! The Clearwater County First Lady event will be held on May 6 at Clearbrook. The 2023 Fosston All School Reunion is taking shape for the week of July 6 to 8 with a golf scramble on July 9. The Gonvick Lions Rodeo will be held July 14 and 15. Save the date. From my mail.. Joke time.. Ole and Lena had nine very beautiful children. The came a tenth child... but this one... to be blunt... was extremely ugly. Ole thought about it for some time, then one day, he confronted Lena. "Lena... tell me da truth... is dat last youngster really mine?" "Yah, Ole," confessed Lena. "Dat last baby is yours, but da others aren't."

Does anyone need old newspapers for their bird cages, their new puppies or for the garden center? We are getting ready to put some in the garbage bins for pick up. It would make the load lighter if we got

rid of some of them before that point. The Library Link in Gonvick is open three days a week. Check out various items or order what they don't have in stock for you. Or call 487-6220 to request something to be ordered for you. Hours are Monday 9 to 11 am, Wednesday 3 to 5 pm and Thursday 4 to 7 pm. Clearwater County Service on T.H.E. Bus. Rider alert; County wide; 7:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday. Bagley: 10 am - 4:30 pm 1st, 3rd Saturday. Bemidji: 2nd, 4th Friday. Ride reservations to Bemidji must be scheduled by 3 pm the day prior to the trip. Call 800-201-3432. 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. The Library Link in Gonvick is open three days a week. Check out various items or order what they don't have in stock for you. Or call 487-6220 to request something to be ordered for you. Hours are Monday 9 to 11 am, Wednesday 3 to 5 pm and Thursday 4 to 7 pm. 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.

2023 First Lady Nominations Sought

The Clearwater County Historical Society will host the Clearwater County "First Lady" award in May. Since 1977, Forty-three women in Clearwater County have been recognized for their accomplishments either for their service in a variety of community projects and organizations or for success in their careers. The First Lady event will held on May 6 at Clearbrook. Your help is needed to select the 2023 recipient. If you know a woman who should be considered for the award, please send a letter with her name and include your reasons for her nomination- this can include any accomplishments in her life such as her career highlights or volunteer years of service and other characteristics that you think should be considered. Nominations of women of all ages are encouraged. Please include your name and phone number or email so we can let you know if your nominee is selected. Letters should be sent to 2023 First Lady - History Center P.O. Box 241 Bagley MN 56621 Letters will be delivered unopened to a panel of judges Please do not send emails. Nominations must be received by April 1. Questions? Call Tamara at 218-785-2000

CLEARWATER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Bagley's early days and they will be having its 125th anniversary, Quasiquicentennial. The Town site of Bagley was Established on February 10, 1898.

2023 is Bagley's Quasiquicentennial Bagley Post Office / Town site of Bagley Established 125 years ago, February 10, 1898.

By Tamara Edevold, Clearwater County Historical Society Information about the early days of Bagley is not easily found. The first newspaper, The Bagley Independent, burned twice- in 1911 and 1918- destroying any newspaper files that could be used to trace the town's development. Several books have been published over the year that touch on some of Bagley's early beginnings- in 1948 Peter M. Pederson wrote "50 Years of Progress- Historical Highlights of Bagley" a small pamphlet that was available for Bagley's 50th Anniversary celebration that was held on June 19, 1948. A second book was written for Bagley's 75th Anniversary in 1973. "Bagley Minnesota; 1898-1973; A glance at Bagley's first 75 years" by Dwight P. Baker. More recently Debra Harmon compiled a history of Bagley for its centennial in 1998. "Bagley- A Celebration of a Century; Looking Back at Bagley's first 100 years." The history center has copies of these books for reference, and copies of the most recent one by Debra Harmon for sale. All of these books tell essentially the same story. There were settlers in the area in the 1890's. Bagley itself began as a logging camp and as the logging declined, farmers began to come to the area. Towns were springing up all over the place. Fosston was well settled by the time Bagley was being considered. It was at the "end of the line" of the railroad and served as a

"jumping off" place for settlers coming in to the area. Looking through the 13 Towns newspaper, published in Fosston, one of the earliest mention of a town called Bagley is on February 11, 1898. The headline is "ESTABLISHED" "The new post office of Bagley, in Beltrami County [remember Clearwater County wasn't established until 1903] has been established by the post office department. This is the place that was to have been called Lomond, but which had to submit to change its name on account of objections in the department. It is to be located at the Great Northern Station opposite the mouth of the Walker Brook, on the Clearwater, and just in front of Sand Lake. The name was changed to Bagley at the request of the owners of the town site, Messers. A.A.White and W.F. Street and of the Great Northern Officials. Next to Bemidji, this is the most beautiful of all the town sites on the line from the Fosston extension and is besides the one most richly endowed with a tributary country of good settlers and rich soil. It already has good roads running to it from all directions of the compass and will command immediate attention from the incoming people looking for business locations. Bert Getchell, the locator, is already putting up a hotel on the town site, opposite the depot location and other parties are preparing to put up a bank and a store building. There are several sawmill in the neighborhood and lumber and shingles can be has cheaply and conveniently for building purposes. The town site is located upon a tract of land entered by W. F. Street with soldier's script

and A.A. White's father's and guarantees the title." The Bemidji Pioneer February 10, 1898 issue also mentions that "The new town at the mouth of Walker Brook, 25 miles west of Bemidji, will be named 'Bagley' the Duke of Clearwater being the inventor of the location." S.C. Bagley was often referred to as "The Duke of Clearwater." A short mention in the 13 Towns February 18 issue mentions that S.C. Bagley was not happy about the name change from Lomond to Bagley. He had been out of town and when he got back and saw that his name was being used, it was reported that he a "made a kick" about it. Interestingly, in January, S.C. Bagley has been purporting establishing a town site several miles east of Fosston, near Grant Creek. He had secured a contract for building ten miles of the new rail line under construction between Duluth and Fosston and he "expects to build a town, or start one, and a large lumber camp supply house will be put there." He added that when he was ready to "Boom his town everyone would know it." "His town" was where Solway would eventually be established with the backing of S.C. Bagley and others. In the February 23 issue, S.C. Bagley told the 13 Towns that Solway wasn't quite ready for lot sales yet. In April, the partnership of S.C. Bagley, Thomas Shevlin, Geo. and J.A. Lammers, announced that they had purchased the land and platted the new town of Solway, although there was some indication that the town might be renamed. By May 1898, the supplies had been received to open the Post office at Bagley. Mrs. Maggie McAarty was appointed the

first Postmaster. Mail to and from Bagley was to be carried by the Bemidji Stage Line on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. On May 6th in the 13 Towns, S.C. Bagley published his famous newspaper notice refuting his interest in the town of Bagley "Mr. S.C. Bagley requests us to state that as a wrongful impression has been circulated regarding his connection with or interest in the Town site of Bagley, he wishes to inform the public that he has no interest whatever in the town site named after him and that he has no financial or other connection with it or any part of it." Which has always seemed odd, but once you understand that he was promoting his own town site of Solway, it now makes perfect sense. As mentioned, town sites were popping up all over the place. By May 1898 these post offices had been established: Bemidji, Buena Vista, Bagley, Copley, Langor, Leon, Moose, Itasca, Pine Lake, Popple, Red Lake, Teckla, Spaulding, Winsor and Willborg. On May 20 1898, T.T. Sater was doing business in Fosston and told the 13 Towns that there were now three general stores in Bagley. (That would be his store, Ole Lee's Mercantile and P.H. Pederson's general store) In June, the Getchell Hotel was ready for plasterers. In August, the Bagley Independent editor announced he would publish his first edition on the day the first passenger train arrived in Bagley. The last spike for the rail line between Duluth and Fosston was driven on Sunday August 25, with no fan fare. It was announced that the first regular trains would begin on Septem-

ber 16, the 60th birthday anniversary of JJ Hill. In the September 2, 1898 edition, The 13 Towns began to publish an occasional column called "Whiskers From Bagley" a newsy column that chronicled the growth of the new town: who was buying lots; who was traveling to get supplies, when the lumberyard started making sashes and doors, and that A.L. Morris was one of the first to send a telegraph from Bagley. (Morris was the telegrapher.) In early December 1898, The 13 Towns reported that the citizens of Bagley had held a meeting at the bank building to talk over the matters of incorporation. The plan was generally favored by taxpayers and it was decided to look up a few legal points and if possible, begin the work of incorporation. Mr. McAarty was appointed to go to the county attorney in Bemidji to draw up the papers. By late December the date was set to hold a vote on incorporation on January 2, 1899. The result was reported in the 13 Towns with just one line: "Bagley carried incorporation by a large majority." Its first official meeting was set for January 16. At that first meeting Bert Getchell was elected president, trustees were C.K. Lee, A.L. Morris, H. Espeseth. Recorder: S.S. Hanson, Treasurer: P.H. Pederson, Justices Of The Peace were M.A. Brekke and E.V. Erickson and the constables were T.E. Thompson and Fred Magnusson. It is fortunate that the 13 Towns and the Bemidji Pioneer made mention of the new town of Bagley in its newspapers. With out that we'd have little "first hand" knowledge of the process. Happy 125th Anniversary Bagley.

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Bears host day game with LOW Bears



The Bears of Lake of the Woods and Clearbrook-Gonvick jostle for the ball.



Young Cheer Squad from Clearbrook-Gonvick Elementary.



Haley McCoy for the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears.



The Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears hosted a day game with Lake of the Woods Bears who went home with the victory 58-47. For Clearbrook-Gonvick, sophomore Allison LaVine and freshman Jacie Bergerson tied the team lead with ten points each. Junior McKenna Hartwig scored nine points .

LEGAL NOTICES

Notice to the Residents of Clover Township
Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Clover Township that the Annual Election and Annual Township meeting will be held Tuesday, March 14th at the Clover Town Hall. Meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m. and Election of Officers from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
1 Supervisor for 3 year term
1 Treasurer for 2 year term
In case of inclement weather all of the above will be held Tuesday, March 31, 2023.
Joel Wraa, Clerk

To the Residents of Clover Township
The regular meeting will be held Thursday, February 16, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at the Josh Reed Residence.
Joel Wraa, Clerk
Clover Township

CLEARWATER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

Board of Commissioners' January 17, 2023
The January 17, 2023 meeting of the Clearwater County Board of Commissioners commenced at 10:01 a.m. with Chairman Newland presiding and Commissioners Titera, Dukek, Nelson and Larson present. The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
Agenda – Motion by Commissioner Titera, seconded by Commissioner Dukek and carried, to approve the Agenda with updates.
Minutes – Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve the January 3rd Board Minutes.
Environmental Services – Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried to authorize Clearwater County's participation in application for grant funding from the US Environmental Protection Agency's Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grant Program by the 9-county C&D Waste Management group, including a pro-rated share of expenses for completing a grant application not to exceed \$1,500.00.
Land Department – Motion by Commissioner Titera, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried to approve step increase to 8 for Barb Drelleck, Isabelle Harmon, Patti Johns, and Stephanie Syverson.
Ayes- Titera, Dukek, Larson Nays – Nelson
Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Dukek and carried to increase the County Park petty cash from \$700 to \$1400.
By general consent, the board waived the 3-day notice for the following 2 motions:
Sheriff – Motion by Commissioner Titera, seconded by Commissioner Dukek and carried to authorized the painting of all the interior walls, doors and trim in the Clearwater County Jail by Mr. Mole's Painting at a cost of \$36,069.00. The money for this will come out of the Building and Grounds budget.
Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried to authorize the purchase

of a 2022 Dodge Durango from Guardian Fleet Services of Clear Lake, Mn for the price of \$43,800.00. This would replace the motion from Dec 21, 2021 that authorized the purchase of a 2022 Ford Utility Vehicle which we never received. Any overage cost would come out of the drug and alcohol/seized vehicle account.
Auditor – Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Newland and carried to authorize the Auditor to pay submitted invoices of \$374,925.45 from the County Revenue Fund and \$63,368.90 from the Nursing Service Fund.
By general consent, the board waived the 3-day notice for the following motion:
Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Dukek and carried to accept Bjorklund's recommendation to place the Fiscal Officers position at Grade 16 with

total points of 710. (Salary for Grade 16 if \$22.74 - \$29.71)
Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Dukek and carried to approve the 2023 Ditch Fund Budget. (On File)
Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Newland and carried to approve the Boards and Committees Appointments for 2023. (On File)
Engineer – Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried to approve payment of the Clearwater County Highway Department bills as presented.
Adjourn – Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Dukek and carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:50 am.
Dated: January 31, 2023
Amanda Jordan,
Board Coordinator
Dean Newland,
Chairman



Jacie Bergerson, #21 and Allison LaVine #20 work against Julisa Matthias for the Lake of the Woods Bears.



The Clearbrook-Gonvick district Spelling Bee participants that went to the final rounds from the classes were from left to right: Kendra Klein (7), Peyton Wittenberg (7), Faith Gunning (5), Elias Haugan (6), Avery Haugan (7), Abel Simenson (5), Brin Rude (6), and Cylee Packineau (7). The winners were: Avery Haugan, third place; Faith Gunning, second place; and Elias Haugan, first place.

Only in Minnesota

The story of a 1979 UFO sighting in Minnesota still lives on today

Here in Minnesota, there are enough stories of supernatural happenings and paranormal experiences to make you think twice about venturing too far into Minnesota's remote areas. For example, northern Minnesota is home to many bigfoot sightings. And all around the state, rumors of haunted roads, hotels, and cemeteries abound. Today, we want to introduce yet another creepy story, this one involving a terrifying UFO encounter.

The story takes place in Marshall County, Minnesota, in 1979. One night in late August of that year, Deputy Sheriff Val Johnson was on patrol near the small town of Stephen.

At about 2 a.m., he spotted a beam of light ahead on the road. He drove his squad car towards it and was soon surrounded by

light. At this point, Johnson heard the sound of glass breaking. But what happened next, no one knows.

Johnson lost consciousness for 39 minutes. When he woke up, he realized that his watch and the car's clock had both stopped for 14 minutes. When he surveyed the car, Johnson found that the windshield was broken. Other damage included broken lights and a bent antenna. It wasn't only the car that was damaged. Johnson himself sustained some unusual injuries. He had bruises and

strong eye irritation.

The story made nationwide headlines, and Johnson even appeared on a popular morning talk show to discuss the incident. The legacy lives on, too. The incident was included in season 2 of the Hulu show Fargo.

Many have likened the even to a UFO encounter. But others believe it to be a hoax. No matter what you believe, you can still visit the squad car involved in the incident. It's found at the Marshall County Historical Society Museum.



Congratulations to our Clearbrook-Gonvick High School Student of the Month winners for January: Bryan Morris, Daniel Rankin, Juelz Hardy-Martin, Trinity Lene, Mya Engen, and Bella Dahl. "Thank you to Gustafson and Goudge for donating certificates to our winners"

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Congratulations to our Clearbrook-Gonvick Elementary Student of the Month winners for January:
Front: Tyson Kroulik, Bristol Rude, Cheyenne Knox, and Benny Vasend,

Middle: Brody Gustafson, Ellie Wishard, Elijah Heley, John Schenk, and Lakai Rivera.
Back: Sydney Dahl, Audrey Conley, Brittany Thomas, and Lyla Gerlofs.
Absent: Lolita Silverio-Roybal and Nevaeh Salzer
Thank you to DaRoo's Pizza for donating pizza certificates to our student winners!

WELCOME MICHAEL JOANNIDES, MD

General and Bariatric Surgery

Michael Joannides, MD, has joined the Sanford Health team in Bemidji to deliver expert surgical care close to home. He specializes in general surgery, weight loss surgery and surgical critical care.

He offers minimally invasive procedures and treats:

- Acid reflux
- Hiatal hernias
- Obesity

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Tony Nass and his son Will donated many pounds of hamburger to the Clearwater County Food Shelf. JoAnn Paulson and Sharon Braaten are with them when they delivered the meat. A few years ago Ray Sather and his family donated a beef cow to the food shelf.