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Breakfast at the Farm was held at the Paul and Gail Friborg Farm last Saturday in Clearwater County. Shown from left to right: Kayla Friborg, Justin Friborg, Gavin Friborg, Gail Friborg, Reegan Hanschen, Paul Friborg, Brycen Friborg, Haidyn Friborg, Hudson Hanschen and Jessica Kasper.

Friborgs' host Breakfast on the Farm

The Friborgs', Paul and Gail, hosted the Breakfast on the Farm on Saturday, July 1 in Clearwater County. The event was not held last year and it was brought back again for the free breakfast put on by the Clearwater County Ag Society.

Many sponsors helped to fund the free breakfast of pancakes, strawberries, ice cream and sausage made from Paradis Valley Ranch Bison and pork mixture. The Friborgs had just completed the quonset that was filled with many people who

attended the event. Work was done by Justin Friborg son of Gail and Paul Friborg and completed for the special day. Paul had done many years of construction jobs in the Twin Cities and after seeing how fast his family was growing up de-

cided to come home to be closer to his family. He went into raising cattle and farming while his wife worked in Bagley. She retired three years ago so the two have more time for other farm projects and their hobbies..

Who will be the Clearwater County Outstanding Senior Citizens for 2023?

Nominate someone deserving today!!

Nominations for Clearwater County Outstanding Senior Citizen are now being sought for 2023. Candidates for this award need to be residents of Clearwater County and over the age of 70 that are known for going out of their way to help others, to volunteer, and to organize or help out with volunteer services.

One lady and one man who are 70 years old by June 1, 2023 will be selected from the nominations received. On Saturday August 5, 2023 at 11 :00 a.m. the winners will be announced at the Out Standing Senior Citizen Program at the Clearwater County Fair. This award recognizes outstanding community service given by individuals and they will join the list of previous county winners.

Official nomination forms will be available at the Clearbrook Senior Citizens Center and at the Bagley Senior Citizens Center or from Committee Co-Chairs Dee Strandlien at 785-2412 or from Al Paulson at 694-6520 or 785-2368. For additional information or questions please contact the committee co-chairs.

Nominations are due to the committee by July 21, 2023 and will be forward to the selection committee for final selections.

Accidents claim lives of two residents

Motorcycle accident

On July 1, 2023 at 2:36 pm, the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office received a call of a motorcycle crash near the intersection of Clearwater Lake Road and Lumberjack Rd NW in Sinclair Township. This location is the Clearwater/Beltrami County line. Officers from the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office and the Clearbrook/Gonvick Police Department along with the Clearbrook Fire Department and Bagley Sanford Ambulance responded to the location. Once on scene iT was learned that a deer had run onto the roadway and was struck by a motorcycle driven by 57- year-old Michael Allen Paulson of Clearbrook. A passenger on the motorcycle, 57-year-old Larae Lynn Martine, also from Clearbrook, passed away from injuries sustained in the crash. Paulson was transported to the Bagley Sanford Medical Center where he was treated and released. The accident remains under investigation. Assisting at the scene were the Minnesota State Patrol, Sanford Bagley Ambulance, Bemidji Ambulance, Beltrami County Sheriff's Office, Clearbrook-Gonvick Police Department, North Memorial Air Med and the Clearbrook Fire Department.

Drowning

On July 2, 2023 at approximately 8:15 pm, a call came into the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office reporting a possible drowning at Lake Lomond in the City of Bagley. The reporting party stated that 20-year-old Derek Vanscott McCann of Bagley had jumped off a swimming raft at the public beach and hadn't been seen since. Law Enforcement responded and immediately began searching the area around the raft. The Clearwater County Sheriff's Office Dive Team was called in to assist. An extensive search of the water ensued and at approximately 11:15 pm, the body of McCann was located in approximately 18-feet of water. An autopsy will be preformed by the University of North Dakota Forensic Pathology Center. This case remains under investigation. Assisting at the scene were the Clearbrook/Gonvick Police Department, the Bagley Police Department, Bagley Sanford Ambulance and Sanford Air Med.

Submitted by Sheriff Darin Halverson, Clearwater County Sheriff's Office, 213 Main Ave. N Dept. 102, Bagley, MN 56621
Office Phone: 218-694-6226 ext 1106, Cell Phone: 218-533-0641

Budget and Referendum taken up by Clearbrook-Gonvick board

The Clearbrook-Gonvick School board at their regular meeting on Monday, June 26 had a full agenda.

The budget was passed for a total of 9.2 million in Expenses and a projected Revenue of 9.5 million. The four main expenses were General, Food Service, Community Education and Debt Service. Items to look at were: What happens in the district for payroll changes; Purchases out of the General Fund; Increase in the non-certified and administration staff; Transportation costs; Food Service costs which went up 9%; Sealing of the parking lots; Pay off lease on the school van; Purchase of an activity bus; Utilities going up and any changes to the state funding formula.

The board had a work session prior to the regular meeting with Blayne Parkos from ATSR Planners, Architects and Engineers. They had sent out a survey mailing to the community. They went over the results of the 1020 households that were sent.

Question 3 was would you support the district in making repairs and betterments to the facility for \$30 million? 54.19% said they would support this option. 6.45% said they would not support this option. 12.26% said they would support portions of the option. 23.23% said they would not support any option and 3.87% said they were not sure and would need more info.

Question 5 asked if they

would support expanding the referendum by \$1 million to fund expanding the parking lot? 26.6% said Definitely yes; 18.18% said Probably yes; 11.04% said Undecided; 11.04% said Probably no; and 33.13% said Definitely no.

Question 6 asked if they would support expanding the referendum by \$2.5 million to fund the Ag Classroom and Greenhouse project? 26.62% said Definitely yes; 18.83 said Probably yes; 12.24% said Undecided; 10.39% said Probably no; and 31.82% said Definitely no.

The board made a motion to allow for the submission of the information required by the Minnesota Department of Education as part of their review and comment process to go ahead with the 30 million dollar project on the November ballot. They went with the one question and not the other two questions. The vote was six for and one opposed.

Principal Report

Principal Josh Tharaldson had a total of 25 students attending on a regular basis the Elementary Summer Enrichment classes at the school. Last day was a trip to the swimming pool on June 29th.

Graduation of 40 kindergarten students and 28 seniors was held. Julie Johnson and Willow Christen teachers and advisors James Bettin and Michelle

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Mark Larson and Cal Larson were busy serving sausage, strawberries and ice cream at the Clearwater County Breakfast on the Farm that was held at Gail and Paul Friborg's.



Mark Strandberg was one of the people with Headwaters Farm Bureau who helped with the Clearwater County Breakfast on the Farm event that was held Saturday, July 1.



Hudson Hanschen, grandson to Gail and Paul Friborg, was busy helping by pouring up coffee and water at the Breakfast on the Farm.



There were three large tables in the quonset at the Paul and Gail Friborg farm for the annual Clearwater County Breakfast on the Farm. There were also places and tables to sit outside for the 700 to 800 people who attended.



Picture from the 5k & the color run that was part of Summerfest activities in Clearbrook. Money raised was for the school's playground expansion! They are getting ready to start. - Photos courtesy of Erica Erickson.

Community Calendar

Trailblazers meeting

The Clearwater Trail Blaz-ers Snowmobile Club will be meeting on Monday, July 10th, 2023 at the clubhouse in Leon-ard at 7:30PM.

Gonvick Lions Rodeo July 14 -15

The Gonvick Lions will be putting on their 33rd annual rodeo July 14 and 15. Wojo's Rodeo company will be starting at 6:00 p.m. each day. There will be a parade on Saturday followed by the fish fry at the Gonvick American Legion. The legions normal fish fry will also be held on July 8th. Tickets will be sold at the gate.

More information will be coming.

Premium Books available for County fair

The Clearwater County Fair Premiums books are now available at the First National Bank in Fosston and Bagley, Riverwood Bank in Bagley, Border Bank in Clearbrook and Northern State Bank in Gonvick.



Marriage announced

Robert Mann and Janessa Tronnes were married in Emo, Ontario, Canada, on June 23rd, 2023. She is a graduate of Clearbrook-Gonvick High School. Her parents are Virgil and Amy Tronnes of Leonard. He is the son of Geoff and Janet Mann from Dryden, Ontario, Canada.

Home Country

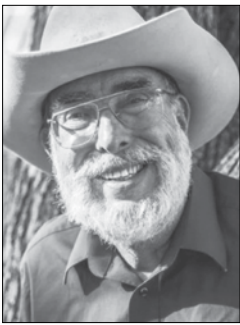
By Slim Randles

Doc smiled and felt really good inside when he heard the familiar bird song.

“Hey there, Wheezer,” he said, “happy nesting!”

For some reason, this mourning dove with the speech impediment comes around to Doc's back yard every spring, and Doc thinks that's just all right. If ol' Wheez didn't have that distinctive voice, Doc would never know if this bird favored his yard or was just another bird looking for a home. Let's face it, Wheezer looks just like every other dove in town.

But he was back and flirting with a good-looking lady dove up on the branches of the locust tree. Doc always wondered whether doves mate for



life, and this was the same Mrs. Wheez he sees every year, or if Wheezer had to court a new lassie each spring.

“I'll have to look it up,” Doc said, knowing that he wouldn't.

But he did go over to the concrete block wall and clean out the crud from the hol-

low in the top block by the gate. Doc had put dirt in it years ago, and each spring, the Wheezer family hauled in twigs and grass and made a place to raise their family.

And each spring, as Mrs. W. sat on her eggs, it would take Doc a few days before she would tolerate him coming and going through the gate. This was the dove family he was close to. They let him get right up to maybe

a foot from the ugly little baby birds each spring, and he was careful never to move quickly or make a noise. That was his contribution, you see, to the putting together of the “Doves in the Concrete Block” family.

Wonder how long doves live? Doc thought. Wonder how long old Wheezer will last? I'll have to look it up.

No he won't.

Brought to you by Wild Birds Unlimited. They have lots of things to keep those birds happy and healthy. For your local store: webmaster@wbu.com.

Historical Society USED BOOK SALE JULY 8&9

The Clearwater County Historical Society recently received A LOT of used books from several people who are “downsizing” and will have them and other used books for sale on July 8 and 9 at the History Center in Shevlin. Hours will be 10- 4:00 on Saturday and 12-4:00 on Sunday. Books are 25¢ each.

For more information contact the Clearwater County History Center at 218-785-2000

Need some space?

All students entering Grades K-6 are invited to the Stellar spot. New friends, amazing experiments, creative games, super-fun lunch, surprising adventure and incredible music at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Clearbrook. July 25,26 and 27 from 10:00 am to 1:00 p.m.

Register on line at https:vibrs.o.events/p/8dd12b or call 776-3139.

NOTICE

The Greenwood Town Board will meet at the town hall on July 12th, 2023 at 8:00 p.m. Sheila Horn, Clerk

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DeVries all worked for the different ceremonies.

Emily Schroeer, has been working with 5 students as part of their IEP.

They anticipate a shortage of substitute teachers for the next school year. They have hired two of the regular substitute teachers as full time teachers and others have retired, moved or accepted jobs elsewhere. Tharaldson would be able to help individuals work through the process to be able to help out. He would also like to hire a float substitute teacher for the district that would be in the building each day to meet the day to day needs that is created when staff is absent.

Tharaldson has been attending webinars and training sessions to learn about the new system for Title Program Funding Applications which are due September 1.

Superintendent Report

Superintendent Ryan Grow gave his report. They have hired new teachers and five are first year teachers; They are in need of a custodian and a band instructor; They are meeting on July 19 with negotiations with the Education Minnesota; He thanked the people who took part in the survey and for their feed back; June 30 was the date for Review and Comment; Summer Enrichment program had positive attendance and the summer food program was a big hit; The Legislative action had 29 policy revisions; They worked on the 23-24 district budget; They are looking at moving money to be able to get a higher interest rate; Eide Bailey will be doing the audit August 14 to 17; They have put a fence around the playground; Most new phones have been installed; TechCheck was awarded the project of updating the district telecommunications system and the audio enhancement; Garden Valley awarded the installation of the network Wi-Fi Clock system.

Enrollment for the last number for the year was 510 from 513. Open enrollment was 148 of those students with 69 in K-6 and 79 in 7 to 12.

Consent Calendar

Bills were paid for a total of \$579,128.01 for non-payroll and \$390,693.45 for payroll for a total of \$969,821.46. Some checks included: Steins Bus Service LLC \$31,89.75; Oberg Fence Co. \$21,063.00; Clearwater-Polk electric \$10,967.62; Community Oil Co. \$10,548.72; Teachers On Call \$6,275.47; ATSR \$6,275.47; Marco \$3,866.40; Listrom Disposal \$2,817.50; 2 Loons Letters & Threads \$2,484.50; Garden Valley Telephone \$1,981.69; Marco \$1,856.29; Farmers Publishing Co \$1,526.53; City of Clearbrook \$1,333.49.

No old business.

New Business

The board hired Tate Maesse as an Elementary Teachers at BA Step 1; Chesley Juberian as Elementary Special Education Teachers at BA Step 1; Morgan Gebhardt as Elementary Special Education Teacher at BA Step 1 and Jared Sewall as Elementary Physical Education Teacher at BA Step 1.

They accepted the resignation of Jesse Eck as Elementary Physical Education Teacher and the resignation of Kip Hanson as Custodian.

The board approved the contract for Tiffany Kroulik as Community Education Coordinator and Assistant Activities Director starting July 1, 2023.

The board approved the memorandum of understanding between the Clearwater County Sheriff's Office and ISD #2311. Andy Anderson is the Behavior Interventionist, the school resource person and the DARE instructor.

The board adopted the resolution authorizing the superin-

tendent as the identified official with Authority for education identity and access management for ISD #2311.

The board approved the insurance proposal for ISD #2311 from Wright Specialty Insurance, WSI, an annual premium of \$87,340.34 for the year for a replacement cost of 39 million. It was an increase of \$9,400 over last year.

The board tabled the MSBA Model Policies for next meeting.

They adopted a resolution for membership in the MN State High School League with 600 other schools.

A question was asked about the softball baseball programs. Work is progressing on getting it going for next year.

The next school board meeting is set for July 17 at 7:00 p.m.

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Sunday Church Services 10:30 am

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Pastor Kris Snyder
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Sunday Church Services 9:00am

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH

1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6
Senior 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 9:30 a.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.

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

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

Community Art Studios*
*Create It! Sessions Second Monday of the month from 12:30-3:00pm at CWC Gonvick and \$10 per person. Classes vary, get more details and register online at www.clearwater-slfe.org/art-experiences

*Mentor Mondays Are you creative and need a place to create? Bring your ideas and we will help you create it! Monday's from 1-7p.m. our studio mentors will be available to help you create your dreams. Located at CWLC Gonvick.

*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.

Seniors
Senior Connection Cooking Class Monday July 10th 11a.m. to 12:30p.m. at CWLC in Gonvick. During each class prep and make a nutritious meal then sample it! Sponsored by Clear Waters Life Center and Prime West Health.

Senior Homemaking and Chore Services We offer services like general housework, sorting and organizing, yard cleanup, mowing, small outdoor repairs and more. Call our office to schedule! 218-776-2789.

CWLC Clearbrook: 256 2nd Ave SW
CWLC Gonvick: 226 Elm St. Phone: 218-776-2789
Email: office@clearwater-slfe.org

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Samhold Lutheran Church is having services every Sunday at 10:30am. Also, Sunday School every Sunday at 9:30am.

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH Clearbrook

Pastor Adam Krog
Wed. - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study
Sun. -9:30 a.m. Worship Service.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD

Good Shepherd
Wed., July 8 - :00am Men's Breakfast at D&R Café, Bagley
Sun., July 9: 9:00am Worship & Communion with Pastor Anne Meredith; 10:00am Coffee Hour
Tues., July 11: 6:00pm Book Study with Pastor Mark Olson
The church office will be closed. No book study with Pastor Mark.
Summer hours are Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday from 8am - 2pm

Our Savior's

Sun., July 9: 10:00am Coffee Hour
11:00am Worship & Communion with Pastor Anne Meredith

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH

Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Sat, July 8: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, July 9: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri.
9:45 a.m. Nazareth. 11:00 a.m. Oak Park. Camp Indianhead until the 14th.
Find services and past sermons at www.facebook.com/clearwaterlutheranparish

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH Jarred LeBon, Pastor

Tyler Stynsberg, Assoc. Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Sun, July 9: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. 10:00 a.m. Worship.
Tue, July 11: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions.
Wed, July 12: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH Bethany * Lund

Sand Valley Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, July 9: 9:00 a.m. Lund Service. 10:30 a.m. Bethany Service. 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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Lund Lutheran Church celebrating 125 years

Pot-Luck in Gully for Lund Church 125th on July 16.

Your own level of "Home-Made" is Best! Bring it on!

Summers are short in this neck of the woods. Every day is heavily loaded with scheduled activities and unscheduled surprises. For many people in such a short season of working and/or playing overtime, a culture of convenience develops.

Still out on the road or just coming home as the evening summer sun aims westward for the day, many people look for something "quick" to eat. Maybe it's a stop for a drive-in burger or a take-out pizza or something easy from the home freezer. "Pick-up food" has become everyday diet fare for a lot of folks, even whole families. There is a place for convenience and we each make our choices on the trade-offs.

But remember when food was all Home-Made? Remember when ingredients were fresh and unprocessed and you knew what they were? Which hot dish or cold summer salad was your favorite? Whose recipe was the best? Do you still make it today?

In 1896, the Gully area was opened for homestead and two years later in 1898, the Lund Norske Luthereske Menighet (Lund Lutheran Church) Congregation was formed (125 years ago). Of course, part of the upcoming 125th Celebration will be a Church Dinner. It's tradition. We all know that Gathering of Friends and Family is greatly enhanced with good food, and lots of it. Plan to enjoy the adventure of participation and preparation!

At traditional Pot-Luck Church Dinners, everyone brings a homemade dish to contribute to the meal. Well, actually, not every person always brought food. Every family brought food. Historically, it was generally it was the women who prepared it. Today, we know many men who have excellent food preparation skills and we know we will see some of their best. We know many kids who can cook up a storm. Home-Cooking isn't just for the Ladies any more. It's a creative and cultural experience that we all can enjoy and share. It's true that Minnesota Norwegian-Lutherans are a modest bunch and not brought up to brag and show off. However, an exception is at a Pot-Luck. This is where your best dish will do the showing off for you. Bring it on!

125 years ago and still continuing today, Pot-Luck Church Dinners have always been an eagerly anticipated event. Folks start to drift through their old

recipe card boxes and books from area churches and towns where neighbors have shared their best recipes. Their names are on them and through the years there are little handwritten notes such as "good" or "use whole milk" or "cut the sugar in half". When it says "double this", we know it's a keeper! It's great fun to browse through these books.

For practical reasons, planting, weeding and harvesting a garden, gathering eggs, milking the cows and feeding the cattle and chickens were all part of the preparation for "homemade" food in the late 1890's when the Lund Church Congregation was formed. Today, a scary number of people do not cook! There are people who have ridded themselves of all their collected cook-books. No fear: call your sister and ask for details on the potato salad that your mother made... or get Grandma's oatmeal cookie recipe because you know a canister of those will travel well and you are coming from afar. Check in with your old confirmation classmates and get in a chit-chat, compare favorite food notes and encourage them to come! What better way to reconnect with friends, neighbors, family and hometown heritage than at a traditional 125th Sunday After-Church Pot-Luck Dinner? See

you in Gully on June 16th!

Times, tastes and eating habits do evolve. What constitutes "home-made" meals now varies widely from family to family and various ages, lifestyles and taste-buds.

We see the word "Homemade" used a lot. "Homemade" might be just paying attention to the food groups while serving canned or packaged ingredients quickly heated on the stove or oven from a nice bowl.

For many folks, there has evolved what is become known as "Homemade from a Box". This is kind of a hybrid between truly home-made and convenience food. Part of the ingredients might be canned or pre-mixed or pre-seasoned and whole ingredients are added to make the dish and "whala!" it's food. There are many levels of "Homemade from a Box" and most cooks go there at least once in a while.

We see a lot of old recipes that call for Sweetened Condensed Milk or a can of Cream of Something Soup or Jello. These are fore-runners of "Homemade from a Box" cooking. We can almost date the recipe by the ingredients it calls for!

Should we make an old favorite? Or bravely test out a new one? Should it be hot or cold? Sweet or savory? Filling or fancy? One wonders how many people they expect? (Well, the

goal is to gather 300 people for this celebration, so load up your family, friends and neighbors and help get to this end! The Ladies Aid will provide the coffee, punch, water, condiments and tableware. There will be Bar-b-q on a Homemade Bun and cake and ice-cream. Your job will be to bring something to work around those starters.)

Whether you take this opportunity to delve into your best old handwritten recipes for some wholesome heritage; choose a "Homemade from a Box" option; or make a stop at the snack aisle at the grocery store; your pot-luck will be heartily welcomed, appreciated and enjoyed by all. What better way to extend a tribute to all small rural churches for the important part they play in our communities and specifically celebrate the decades of dedication of sustaining the Lund Lutheran Church Congregation than to gather together for a

Heart-Made Meal with everyone in participation? We won't call this meal just "Home-made", we will call it "Heart-Made", and will look forward to your company.

Lund Lutheran Congregation will host the 125th year Celebration on July 16, 2023. Worship Service will be at 10 am with special programming and historical displays. (Probably the coffee pot will be on in the church basement.) After the service, all the members and visitors will pause for a group photo in front of the church. Families: be sure plan to all participate this photo! Then we will head across the street to the Gully Hall for the dinner and visiting. (FYI the hall is air conditioned and accessible.)

As you plan your pot-luck dish, also plan to stir up your friends and neighbors to come and make this a day of remembrance. Contact any Lund member with your questions or call the church (listed under Gully-Trail Parish).

Meet the Clearbrook-Gonvick Kindergarten class

The new first grader interviews and pictures by Mr. Bettin and his student staff



Name: Aaren Skinaway
Mom and Dad: Isaac
Siblings: Isaac
What do you want to be when you grow up? Cop
What do you like best about school? Gym
What is your favorite food? Doritos and Tacos
Pets: Lulu, Max
Who is your favorite person? Grandma



Name: Blake Anderson
Mom and Dad: Alisha and Charlie
Siblings: Bradley, Eva
What do you want to be when you grow up? A cop
What do you like best about school? Going home on the bus
What is your favorite food? Pizza
Pets: Dog
Who is your favorite person? Mom and Wayne



Name: Greyson Rouland
Mom and Dad: Cody and Chaelynn
Siblings: 2 sisters
What do you want to be when you grow up? Construction worker
What do you like best about school? Playtime
What is your favorite food? Chili
Pets: 1 dog, 2 cats, 2 fish, 2 birds
Who is your favorite person? My mother



Name: Collin Fairbanks
Mom and Dad: Crystal and Gordon
Siblings: Abbie and Lamia
What do you want to be when you grow up? Police Officer
What do you like best about school? Playground, Recess time
What is your favorite food? Pizza
Pets: Dog and Cat
Who is your favorite person? Blake

Clearwater County Sheriff

Weekly activity by Darin Halverson

Bear Creek - Total 1
06/27/23 20:09:10 - Handled By Officer / Deputy

City of Bagley - Total 21
06/25/23 06:09:56 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
06/25/23 16:49:16 TEST
06/26/23 00:17:29 Medical - Patient Treated, Transferred Care
06/26/23 09:38:27 Crimes Against Family - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/26/23 09:53:41 Crimes Against Family o - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/26/23 10:29:12 Crimes Against Family - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/26/23 10:44:07 Crimes Against Family - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/26/23 11:30:55 Traffic Stop
06/27/23 08:29:06 Transport
06/27/23 09:47:01 Suspicious Activity
06/27/23 18:43:10 Fire - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/28/23 01:56:48 THEFT - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/28/23 12:25:52 Drug Related
06/28/23 13:57:14 Transport
06/29/23 07:55:22 Traffic Complaint
06/30/23 02:50:36 Medical - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/30/23 10:06:18 Alarm - Cancelled (Prior to Arrival at Scene)
06/30/23 23:44:55 Traffic Stop
07/01/23 01:09:21 Court Order Violation - Handled By Officer / Deputy
07/01/23 10:33:59 Officer Detail
07/01/23 19:48:50 Disturbance

City of Clearbrook - Total 2
06/28/23 21:02:42 Information Only
07/01/23 12:17:59 Information Only

City of Gonvick - Total 1
06/25/23 20:23:14 Welfare Check - Handled By Officer / Deputy

Copley - Total 12
06/25/23 11:44:17 Animal Related
Page 2 of 4
06/25/23 15:08:08 Information Only
06/25/23 19:35:18 ASSIST
06/27/23 09:22:44 Traffic Stop
06/27/23 11:22:51 Suspicious Activity - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/27/23 12:04:20 Civil Complaint - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/28/23 12:50:43 Information Only
06/29/23 15:37:25 Harassment -

Report Taken
06/30/23 17:27:56 Court Order Violation - Report Taken
06/30/23 20:07:21 - Handled By Officer / Deputy

06/30/23 20:53:26 Civil Complaint
07/01/23 06:53:57 Officer Detail

Dudley - Total 1
07/01/23 22:41:30 Disturbance

Eddy - Total 3
06/25/23 10:40:06 Threats - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/27/23 08:48:14 Transport
06/30/23 18:22:18 Traffic Complaint

Falk - Total 5
06/25/23 19:21:56 TEST
06/26/23 21:24:19 Traffic Stop
06/27/23 17:48:38 Lost/Found Property - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/27/23 20:14:08 Traffic Stop
06/30/23 14:06:49 Lost/Found Property - Handled By Officer / Deputy

Greenwood - Total 2
06/29/23 18:23:54 Fire 14 - Gone On Arrival (GOA)/Unable to Locate
06/29/23 22:34:48 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS

Holst - Total 2
06/26/23 13:54:03 ASSIST
06/30/23 15:23:38 Traffic Stop

Itasca - Total 3
06/29/23 17:46:18 Vehicle Lock Out
06/30/23 20:09:14 Traffic Stop
06/30/23 23:12:06 Motorist Assist

Itasca State Park - Total 1
06/29/23 22:14:49 Welfare Check

LaPrairie - Total 3
06/29/23 00:56:49 Suspicious Activity - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/29/23 21:28:29 Welfare Check
06/30/23 07:00:26 Warrant Arrest

LaPrairie N - Total 4
06/27/23 15:51:31 Assist Other Agency - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/29/23 09:16:09 Information Only - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/29/23 09:43:31 Information Only
14 - Gone On Arrival
06/30/23 16:06:53 Traffic Stop - Citation Issued (Verbal Or Written)

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THE LEADER-RECORD 3

First grade class visits Science Center in Bemidji



Clearbrook-Gonvick's First Grade Class took their Annual Field Trip to the Headwaters Science Center in Bemidji at the end of the School Year. It was a fun time of exploring and discovering! This year, we engaged in an Explosion Activity and our students were pretty mystified. There is so much to see and do at the Headwaters Science Center. Their teacher, Mrs. Hegg, has taken this Field Trip for the last 6 years and always finds something new to learn about! The First Grade Class of Clearbrook-Gonvick School and their teachers, Mrs. Bodensteiner and Mrs. Hegg, would like to thank all of the chaperones, parents and their School for making this trip possible!

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CALL FOR BIDS DAIRY PRODUCTS

The Board of Education of the Clearbrook-Gonvick Independent School District #2311 is accepting bids for the 2023-2024 year for the following dairy products:

- ½ Pint 1% White Milk
- ½ Pint 1% Chocolate Milk
- ½ Pint Chocolate Skim Milk
- ½ Pint Lactose Free Milk

Successful Bidder must deliver to the Clearbrook-Gonvick School location twice per week.

*Bid response should specify whether or not portable cooler units would be supplied at location.

Bids should be sent to:
Clearbrook-Gonvick ISD #2311
Attention: MILK BID
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Clearbrook MN 56634

Bids will be opened at **2 pm on Monday, July 17th, 2023**, at the Clearbrook-Gonvick School.

The Clearbrook-Gonvick School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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CLEARBROOK-GONVICK SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

CLEARBROOK-GONVICK SCHOOL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2311 BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

May 15, 2023 - 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Clerk Wishard at 7:00 p.m. Declaration of Quorum – Members present: Dudley Wishard, Scott Abel, Corey Petterson, Jill Nelson, Kayla Walberg, and Randy Bodensteiner. Absent: Vern Wittenberg Also present: Superintendent Ryan Grow, Principal Josh Tharaldson, staff and community members

3 Community Comments – A question was asked about possibly broadcasting the meetings on the school GVTV channel.

4 Spotlight on Education – Mr. Bettin showed a power point presentation of activities that have taken place since the last board meeting.

4.1 Math Masters – The Math Masters group made a presentation about their program & recent competition. Coaches & students spoke.

5 Approval of Agenda – MMS Petterson/Walberg to approve agenda as presented. MCU.

6 Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting – MMS Wishard/Nelson to approve minutes as presented. MCU.

6.1 4/17/23 – Regular Meeting

7 Informational Items

7.1 Principals Report – Principal Tharaldson presented the report, and discussed the following items: A) **Summer School/Enrichment** – Will be held from 6/6/23 – 6/29/23. We anticipate a few more students than last year. B) **23-24 HS Registration** – Students have been registering for classes next year, and all students will be finished before summer break. New students will have an opportunity to register in the fall at our Back to School/Registration Event. C) **New Families** – Principal Tharaldson encouraged anyone interested in attending our school next year to contact the office to start the registration process this spring before summer break for planning purposes. D) – **23-24 High School Handbook** – An updated handbook will be presented at a summer meeting for board approval. E) – **Graduation/Seniors** – Last day of school is Friday, May 19th, if students meet the criteria to be done early. Graduation is Saturday, May 27th, at 2:00 p.m. in the Big Gym. F) **Summer ESY** – Emily Schroer,

our DCD special education teacher will be working with 5 students for extended school year. ESY will be held for one week in June, July and August. This is a different program than our Summer Enrichment program.

7.2 Superintendent Report – Supt. Grow discussed the following items: 1) **Personnel** – A) **Open Positions** – FT Custodial, Extra-Curricular Bus Drivers, Elementary and Early Childhood SPED Teacher, Band Teacher, Assistant BBB Coach, Jr. High VB, FB, and GBB Coaches, Industrial Tech B) **Bus Training** – Four people attended Entry Level Drivers Training in late April to start the process to become a bus driver. C) **Drill** – On May 10th the staff ran a practice drill to our evacuation site. There were no students involved with the training. Overall things went smoothly. There are a few things we will be adjusting.

2) **Educational** – A) **Referendum Executive and Steering Committees** – The committees have been meeting with ATSR and RA Morton. B) **MSHSL Membership** – MSHSL has rolled out a new process for completing the resolution for membership. It still requires board action, but will now be submitted with electronic signatures of the Board Clerk & Superintendent. C) **MSBA Training** – Dates have been provided for upcoming training opportunities. D) – **Upcoming Dates** – May 19th – Seniors Last Day, May 24th – Scholarship Program; May 27th - Graduation 3) **Legislative** - A) **Employee Leave** – Several details are being discussed regarding unemployment and employee leave program costs to districts. B) Last Day of Session – is 5/22/23. 4) **Financial** – A) **Summer Projects** – Most of the bigger summer projects that are planned are ESSER eligible and have been approved in the FIN 160 budget by MDE. B) **23-24 Budget** – Between now & the next board meeting, we will be working on the 23-24 budget. It should be ready for approval by that time. C) **School Bus Arm Grant** – This has been approved. 5) **Building/Grounds** – A) **Rider Scrubber** – We are able to get a new scrubber through ESSER funding. The old scrubber will be designated just for gyms, and backup. B) **Playground Fencing** – After meeting with the playground committee, we'll be modifying a couple areas where we will be fencing. C) **Catch Basin on South Side of Parking Lot** – Needs to be dug up & checked out. There is heaving at the curb, and caving/cracking in the blacktop. At the same time, we are looking at improving drainage on both sides of the driveway. D) **North Parking Lot** – There is a section of the parking lot that has bad potholes, cracking, etc. It is a safety hazard and needs to be repaired. One quote Virgil received for this project is \$17,145. E) **Sealcoating & Striping** – Quotes for crack sealing, sealcoating & striping ranged from \$27,500 - \$54,000. We will do more research & bring a recommendation in the next month or so.

7.3 Committee Report

7.1 Referendum Executive Committee – An update was given by board members Bodensteiner & Walberg. **7.4 Enrollment Report** – Enrollment numbers as of 5/10/23 for Pre-K thru 12th were 509, compared to 510 on 4/11/23. **8 Consent Calendar** – MMS Nelson/Walberg to approve Consent Calendar as presented. MCU.

8.1 Approval of Bills Presented – All Funds

Payroll Expense Checks and Checks Written between Board Meetings: 71475-71495/Wires Payroll Checks/Direct Deposit

No Checks – All Payroll was Direct Deposit
May Bills
Voucher Numbers: 67315-67397
Check Numbers: 71496-71542

Total Payroll/Expense Checks Approved: \$467,336.31

8.2 Approval of Electronic Transfers and Other Banking Transactions

8.3 Approval of Treasurer's Report

8.4 Accept/Approve Donations

8.5 Student Activity Report

9 Old Business – None

10 New Business

10.1 **Consider Accepting the Retirement of Mary Springer as Early Education Special Ed Teacher** – MMS Abel/Walberg to accept. MCU. Mr. Grow and the board thanked Mary for her many years with the district.

10.2 **Consider Accepting the Resignation of Jesse Eck as Asst FB Coach** – MMS Bodensteiner/Petterson to accept. MCU. Mr. Grow and the board thanked Jesse for his years as Varsity Asst. Coach.

10.3 **Consider Approving a Family Medical Leave Act Request from Amanda Bodensteiner** – Consider Approving an FMLA Leave for Amanda Bodensteiner. – MMS Walberg/Petterson to approve. Roll Call – Abel – Yes, Bodensteiner – Abstain, Nelson – Yes, Petterson – Yes, Walberg – Yes, Wishard – Yes, Motion Carried.

This is an approved medical leave of absence under FMLA, covering the dates 8/28/23-11/17/23. Available sick and personal time will be used, and subsequent unpaid medical leave for remaining dates, is approved without fringe benefits pursuant to Article X, Section 11 of the Education Minnesota Master Agreement.

10.4 **Consider Hiring Jeff Westrum as Head BBB Coach for 2023-2024 School Year** – MMS Petterson/Wishard to approve. MCU.

10.5 **Consider Adopting the Third and Final Reading of MSBA Model Policy 516.5** – MMS Abel/Nelson to accept 3rd and final reading & adopt policy. MCU.

10.6 **Consider Hiring Eide Bailly for Auditing Services for Fiscal Year 2023** – MMS Bodensteiner/Petterson to approve. MCU.

10.7 **Consider Awarding Garden Valley Technologies the Installation of a Network Wi-Fi Clock System** – MMS Petterson/Nelson to approve. MCU.

10.8 **Consider Awarding TechCheck the Project of Updating the District's Telecommunications System** – MMS Nelson/Abel to approve. MCU.

10.9 **Consider Awarding TechCheck the Project of Updating Classroom Audio Enhancement** – MMS Walberg/Nelson to approve. MCU.

11 **Community Questions to the Board of Education Regarding Agenda Items** – Questions were asked and answered.

12 Future Meetings

12.1 Regular School Board Meeting on Monday, June 19, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

13 **Adjournment** – MMS Nelson/Walberg to adjourn at 8:40 pm. MCU



Sheriff Jim Tadman and the Polk County Sheriff's Office would like to introduce our newest team member. Please welcome K9 Jax! Jax is a 15-month-old German Shepherd. K9 Jax and Deputy Jarrin Gunderson spent 13 weeks bonding and training at McDonough K9 in Anoka, MN. During their training, the dynamic duo was exposed to numerous challenges, scenarios, and apprehension exercises. K9 Jax is dual purpose trained. This means he is ready for both narcotics scent detection and apprehension! While we hope we never need them for this, they will be ready to help with missing persons as well. We are proud of both Deputy Gunderson and K9 Jax for completing their training. When asked how he felt about his new position with Polk County, K9 Jax replied with a loud "WOOF". It seems Jax is a dog of few words, however, Deputy Gunderson translated "I am ready to do my part to keep our community safe". Deputy Gunderson graduated from Win-E-Mac School and his hometown is McIntosh. Thank you for welcoming them as they protect and serve Polk County.



By Corrine Richards

The Gonvick Lions Rodeo will be held July 14 and 15. That is getting closer. Line-up for the parade will be on the south side of the community center. With the parade starting at 2:00 p.m. Save the date.

The Clearwater County Fair Premiums books are now available at the First National Bank in Fosston and Bagley, Riverwood Bank in Bagley, Border Bank in Clearbrook and Northern State Bank in Gonvick.

Shorty's in Gully is serving Shrimp on Friday and Saturday. They will be having Bingo on Saturday night with 55 numbers.

Future Events
Solway Lutheran Church Building Fund Carnival Bazaar on Saturday, August 19 from 10 to 2.

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.

Joke Time
A WOMAN was flying from Melbourne to Brisbane, Australia. Unexpectedly, the plane was diverted to Sydney. The flight attendant explained that there would be a delay, and if the passengers wanted to get off the aircraft the plane would re-board in 50 minutes.

Everybody got off the plane except one lady who was blind. A man had noticed her as he walked by and could tell the lady was blind because her Seeing Eye Dog lay quietly underneath the seats in front of her throughout the entire flight. He could also tell she had flown this very flight before because the pilot approached her, and calling her by name, said, 'Kathy, we are in Sydney for almost an hour. Would you like to get off and stretch your legs?'

The blind lady replied, 'No thanks, but maybe Max would like to stretch his legs.' Picture this: All the people in the gate area came to a complete standstill when they looked up and saw the pilot walk off the plane with a Seeing Eye dog. The pilot was even wearing sunglasses. People scattered. They not only tried to change planes, but they were trying to

change airlines!
The lesson: things aren't always as they appear.
a day without laughter is a day wasted!!!!

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 218-487-6220 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.

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.

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.

League decision

Transgender student athletes in Minnesota will now be able to play on the sports team of their preferred gender. The Minnesota State High School League made the decision at a public meeting. All schools have to join the league in order to have teams compete each year.

Sheriff's Weekly Activity ...
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LaPraire S - Total 1
06/25/23 15:03:47 Information Only
- Handled By Officer / Deputy
Leon - Total 1
06/26/23 10:42:16 Medical - Patient Treated, Transported by EMS
Minerva - Total 2
06/27/23 09:39:28 Traffic Stop
06/28/23 06:55:26 Traffic Stop
Moose Creek - Total 2
07/01/23 11:31:18 Property Damage
- Referred to Partner Agency
07/01/23 20:13:16 Disturbance
Nora - Total 3
06/26/23 17:21:07 Traffic Stop
06/27/23 18:06:02 Information Only
- Handled By Officer / Deputy
07/01/23 21:09:37 Animal Related
Out of Jurisdiction - Total 1
06/26/23 09:43:29 Crimes Against Family - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Pine Lake - Total 1
06/28/23 17:29:52 Civil Complaint
Popple - Total 5
06/25/23 17:03:30 TEST
06/26/23 15:32:20 Welfare Check - Gone On Arrival (GOA)
06/27/23 05:58:51 Welfare Check - Gone On Arrival (GOA)
06/28/23 18:07:23 Information Only
- Handled By Officer / Deputy
07/01/23 21:04:56 Traffic Complaint
- Handled By Officer / Deputy
Rice - Total 8
06/28/23 05:12:31 Burglary - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/30/23 13:42:37 CIVIL PROCESS
- Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/30/23 17:09:58 Civil Complaint - Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/30/23 23:02:43 Extra Patrol
07/01/23 13:11:53 Officer Detail
07/01/23 13:23:40 Traffic Stop
07/01/23 18:23:40 Traffic Complaint
- Gone On Arrival
07/01/23 20:57:19 Property Damage
- Handled By Officer
Shevlin - Total 4
06/25/23 17:25:34 TEST
06/26/23 11:38:25 Vehicle Lock Out
- Handled By Officer / Deputy
06/26/23 16:56:23 911 Hang Up - Assignment Completed
06/27/23 16:58:37 Animal Related
Sinclair - Total 1
07/01/23 14:36:46 Motor Vehicle Crash - Handled By Officer / Deputy
Total Records: 90
Wednesday, July 5, 2023



The 40th Class Reunion for Clearbrook Class of 1983 was held at The Trap in Gonvick on Saturday, June 24. 20 of 37 classmates attended. Pictured are front row: Mary Jo Olson English, Joni Solberg Twito. 2nd row: Sheldon Monson, Tracey Rhen John, Jill Phillips, Beth Schuett, Jeff Stormo, Stephanie Dickey Beckstrand, Michelle Marmorine Cummings, Brenda Nelson Schultz, Wanda Bonnell Nelson, Lois Sundborn Rydeen, Mary Jo Hitner Jackson, Jim TeHennepe. Back row: Kevin Prosser, Darwin Nelson, Darren Snobeck, Mike Henke, Ben Vorderbruggen, Brian Beckstrand.

Runners from the 5k that was part of Summerfest week-end & the color run. It was a fundraiser for the school's playground expansion! - Photos courtesy of Erica Erickson



Summerfest activities



The Clearbrook Senior Center has many items for sale. Some are used and some that have been crafted by area ladies. Janice Stormo had the store open for shopping during Clearbrook Summerfest.



Russell Lembke getting the buns in place for the meatball dinner that the Clearbrook Legion and Auxiliary served during Summerfest activities.



Coltan and Easton Johnson, Grandma Tracy Imle and Aunt Sarah Imle waiting for the Grand Kiddie Parade for Clearbrook Summerfest to start.



On the left Karen Bergman and Zarek Huggins and on the right Delilah Neisen and Weston Stevens with grandma Amanda Neisen in the Grand Kiddie Parade for Clearbrook Summer Fest.



The Samson family: Alydia, Kyler, Kelly, Bryn and Haddi in the Grand Kiddie Parade for Clearbrook Summerfest.



Nina Bingham and her granddaughter Winter Bingham from Fosston dressed for the Grand Kiddie Parade that as part of the Clearbrook Summerfest. They were Bee-tiful.

Clearwater County Environmental Services

Clearwater County Recycling Drop-Off Locations Accepting:

- aluminum cans
- steel food cans
- glass bottles and jars with lids removed
- plastic containers #s 1, 2 and 5
- newspaper and office paper
- clean cardboard

Two drop-off locations, one in Bagley and one in Clearbrook, both at County Highway Department shops.

Mixed recyclables from these locations are sorted at the Materials Recovery Facility in Fosston. Revenue from recyclables sales helps offset tipping fees paid by the County for garbage disposal at the Fosston Incinerator. Please contact Clearwater County Environmental Services at 694-6183 for further information.

Clearbrook 2022 Drinking Water Report

Making Safe Drinking Water

Your drinking water comes from a groundwater source: two wells that are 185 feet deep, that draw water from the Quaternary Buried Artesian aquifer.

Clearbrook works hard to provide you with safe and reliable drinking water that meets federal and state water quality requirements. The purpose of this report is to provide you with information on your drinking water and how to protect our precious water resources.

Contact Mark Snobl, City Maintenance Superintendent, at 218-766-9650 or mark.snobl@ci.clearbrook.mn.us if you have questions about Clearbrook's drinking water. You can also ask for information about how you can take part in decisions that may affect water quality.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency sets safe drinking water standards. These standards limit the amounts of specific contaminants allowed in drinking water. This ensures that tap water is safe to drink for most people. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration regulates the amount of certain contaminants in bottled water. Bottled water must provide the same public health protection as public tap water.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Clearbrook

Monitoring Results

This report contains our monitoring results from January 1 to December 31, 2022.

We work with the Minnesota Department of Health to test drinking water for more than 100 contaminants. It is not unusual to detect contaminants in small amounts. No water supply is ever completely free of contaminants. Drinking water standards protect Minnesotans from substances that may be harmful to their health.

Learn more by visiting the Minnesota Department of Health's webpage [Basics of Monitoring and testing of Drinking Water in Minnesota \(https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/factsheet/sampling.html\)](https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/factsheet/sampling.html).

How to Read the Water Quality Data Tables

The tables below show the contaminants we found last year or the most recent time we sampled for that contaminant. They also show the levels of those contaminants and the Environmental Protection Agency's limits. Substances that we tested for but did not find are not included in the tables.

We sample for some contaminants less than once a year because their levels in water are not expected to change from year to year. If we found any of these contaminants the last time we sampled for them, we included them in the tables below with the detection date.

We may have done additional monitoring for contaminants that are not included in the Safe Drinking Water Act. To request a copy of these results, call the Minnesota Department of Health at 651-201-4700 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Some contaminants are monitored regularly throughout the year, and rolling (or moving) annual averages are used to manage compliance. Because of this averaging, there are times where the Range of Detected Test Results for the calendar year is lower than the Highest Average or Highest Single Test Result, because it occurred in the previous calendar year.

Definitions

•AL (Action Level): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

•EPA: Environmental Protection Agency

•MCL (Maximum contaminant level): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

•MCLG (Maximum contaminant level goal): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

•MRDL (Maximum residual disinfectant level): The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

•MRDLG (Maximum residual disinfectant level goal): The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

•N/A (Not applicable): Does not apply.

•pCi/l (picocuries per liter): A measure of radioactivity.

•ppb (parts per billion): One part per billion in water is like one drop in one billion drops of water, or about one drop in a swimming pool. ppb is the same as micrograms per liter (µg/l).

•ppm (parts per million): One part per million is like one drop in one million drops of water, or about one cup in a swimming pool. ppm is the same as milligrams per liter (mg/l).

•PWSID: Public water system identification.

Monitoring Results – Unregulated Substances

In addition to testing drinking water for contaminants regulated under the Safe Drinking Water Act, we sometimes also monitor for contaminants that are not regulated.

Unregulated contaminants do not have legal limits for drinking water.

Detection alone of a regulated or unregulated contaminant should not cause concern. The meaning of a detection should be determined considering current health effects information. We are often still learning about the health effects, so this information can change over time.

The following table shows the unregulated contaminants we detected last year, as well as human-health based guidance values for comparison, where available. The comparison values are based only on potential health impacts and do not consider our ability to measure contaminants at very low concentrations or the cost and technology of prevention and/or treatment. They may be set at levels that are costly, challenging, or impossible for water systems to meet (for example, large-scale treatment technology may not exist for a given contaminant).

A person drinking water with a contaminant at or below the comparison value would be at little or no risk for harmful health effects. If the level of a contaminant is above the comparison value, people of a certain age or with special health conditions - like a fetus, infants, children, elderly, and people with impaired immunity – may need to take extra precautions. Because these contaminants are unregulated, EPA and MDH require no particular action based on detection of an unregulated contaminant. We are notifying you of the unregulated contaminants we have detected as a public education opportunity.

•More information is available on MDH's [A-Z List of Contaminants in Water \(https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/contaminants/index.html\)](https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/contaminants/index.html) and [Fourth Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule \(UCMR 4\) \(https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/com/ucmr4.html\)](https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/com/ucmr4.html).

Some People Are More Vulnerable to Contaminants in Drinking Water

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. The developing fetus and therefore pregnant women may also be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water. These people or their caregivers should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Learn More about Your Drinking Water Drinking Water Sources

Groundwater supplies 75 percent of Minnesota's drinking water, and is found in aquifers beneath the surface of the land. Surface water supplies 25 percent of Minnesota's drinking water, and is the water in lakes, rivers, and streams above the surface of the land. Contaminants can get in drinking water sources from the natural environment and from people's daily activities. There are five main types of contaminants in drinking water sources.

•Microbial contaminants, such as viruses, bacteria, and parasites. Sources include sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, pets, and wildlife.

•Inorganic contaminants include salts and metals from natural sources (e.g. rock and soil), oil and gas production, mining and farming operations, urban stormwater runoff, and wastewater discharges.

•Pesticides and herbicides are chemicals used to reduce or kill unwanted plants and pests. Sources include agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and commercial and residential properties.

•Organic chemical contaminants include synthetic and volatile organic compounds. Sources include industrial processes and petroleum production, gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.

•Radioactive contaminants such as radium, thorium, and uranium isotopes come from natural sources (e.g. radon gas from soils and rock), mining operations, and oil and gas production.

The Minnesota Department of Health provides information about your drinking water source(s) in a source water assessment, including:

•How Clearbrook is protecting your drinking water source(s);

•Nearby threats to your drinking water sources;

•How easily water and pollution can move from the surface of the land into drinking water sources, based on natural geology and the way wells are constructed.

Find your source water assessment at [Source Water Assessments \(https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/swp/swa\)](https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/swp/swa) or call 651-201-4700 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Lead in Drinking Water

You may be in contact with lead through paint, water, dust, soil, food, hobbies, or your job. Coming in contact with lead can cause serious health problems for everyone. There is no safe level of lead. Babies, children under six years, and pregnant women are at the highest risk.

Lead is rarely in a drinking water source, but it can get in your drinking water as it passes through lead service lines and your household plumbing system. Clearbrook is

responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but it cannot control the plumbing materials used in private buildings.

Read below to learn how you can protect yourself from lead in drinking water.

1. **Let the water** run for 30-60 seconds before using it for drinking or cooking if the water has not been turned on in over six hours. If you have a lead service line, you may need to let the water run longer. A service line is the underground pipe that brings water from the main water pipe under the street to your home.

• You can find out if you have a lead service line by contacting your public water system, or you can check by following the steps at: <https://www.mprnews.org/story/2016/06/24/npr-find-lead-pipes-in-your-home>

• The only way to know if lead has been reduced by letting it run is to check with a test. If letting the water run does not reduce lead, consider other options to reduce your exposure.

2. **Use cold water** for drinking, making food, and making baby formula. Hot water releases more lead from pipes than cold water.

3. **Test your water.** In most cases, letting the water run and using cold water for drinking and cooking should keep lead levels low in your drinking water. If you are still concerned about lead, arrange with a laboratory to test your tap water. Testing your water is important if young children or pregnant women drink your tap water.

• Contact a Minnesota Department of Health accredited laboratory to get a sample container and instructions on how to submit a sample:

Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (<https://eldo.web.health.state.mn.us/public/accreditedlabs/labsearch.seam>)

The Minnesota Department of Health can help you understand your test results.

4. **Treat your water** if a test shows your water has high levels of lead after you let the water run.

• Read about water treatment units:

Point-of-Use Water Treatment Units for Lead Reduction (<https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/factsheet/poulead.html>)

Learn more:

• Visit [Lead in Drinking Water \(https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/contaminants/lead.html\)](https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/contaminants/lead.html)

• Visit [Basic Information about Lead in Drinking Water \(http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead\)](http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead)

• Call the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791. To learn about how to reduce your contact with lead from sources other than your drinking water, visit [Common Sources \(https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/lead/fs/common.html\)](https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/lead/fs/common.html).

Help Protect Our Most Precious Resource – Water Conservation

Conservation is essential, even in the land of 10,000 lakes. For example, in parts of the metropolitan area, groundwater is being used faster than it can be replaced. Some agricultural regions in Minnesota are vulnerable to drought, which can affect crop yields and municipal water supplies.

We must use our water wisely. Below are some tips to help you and your family conserve – and save money in the process.

• Fix running toilets—they can waste hundreds of gallons of water.

• Turn off the tap while shaving or brushing your teeth.

• Shower instead of bathe. Bathing uses more water than showering, on average.

• Only run full loads of laundry, and set the washing machine to the correct water level.

• Only run the dishwasher when it's full.

• Use water-efficient appliances (look for the WaterSense label).

• Use water-friendly landscaping, such as native plants.

• When you do water your yard, water slowly, deeply, and less frequently. Water early in the morning and close to the ground.

• Learn more

• [Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's Conserving Water webpage \(https://www.pca.state.mn.us/living-green/conserving-water\)](https://www.pca.state.mn.us/living-green/conserving-water)

• [U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's WaterSense webpage \(https://www.epa.gov/watersense\)](https://www.epa.gov/watersense)

Home Water Treatment Overview

Most Minnesotans, whether they drink from a public water supply or a private well, have drinking water that does not need treatment for health protection. Water treatment units are best for improving the physical qualities of water—the taste, color, or odor.

No single treatment process can remove all substances in water. If you decide to install a home water treatment unit, choose a unit certified and labeled to reduce or remove the substance of concern. If there is more than one substance you want to remove from your water, you may need to combine several treatment processes into one system.

Even well-designed treatments systems can fail. You should continue to test your drinking water after you install a treatment unit. All home water treatment units need regular maintenance to work correctly. Regular maintenance may include changing filters, disinfecting the unit, or cleaning scale buildup. Always install, clean, and maintain a treatment unit according to the manufacturer's recommendations.

Learn more at [Home Water Treatment \(https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/factsheet/hometreatment.html\)](https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/factsheet/hometreatment.html).

Monitoring Results – Regulated Substances

LEAD AND COPPER – Tested at customer taps.

Contaminant (Date, if sampled in previous year)	EPA's Ideal Goal (MCLG)	EPA's Action Level	90% of Results Were Less Than	Number of Homes with High Levels	Violation	Typical Sources
Lead (08/21/20)	0 ppb	90% of homes less than 15 ppb	0.91 ppb	0 out of 10	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing.
Copper (08/21/20)	0 ppm	90% of homes less than 1.3 ppm	0.09 ppm	0 out of 10	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing.

INORGANIC & ORGANIC CONTAMINANTS – Tested in drinking water.

Contaminant (Date, if sampled in previous year)	EPA's Ideal Goal (MCLG)	EPA's Limit (MCL)	Highest Average or Highest Single Test Result	Range of Detected Test Results	Violation	Typical Sources
Nitrate	10 ppm	10.4 ppm	0.3 ppm	0.00 - 0.30 ppm	NO	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Combined Radium (2021)	0 pCi/l	5.4 pCi/l	1.2 pCi/l	N/A	NO	Erosion of natural deposits.

CONTAMINANTS RELATED TO DISINFECTION – Tested in drinking water.

Substance (Date, if sampled in previous year)	EPA's Ideal Goal (MCLG or MRDLG)	EPA's Limit (MCL or MRDL)	Highest Average or Highest Single Test Result	Range of Detected Test Results	Violation	Typical Sources
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs)	N/A	80 ppb	6.4 ppb	N/A	NO	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA)	N/A	60 ppb	7.5 ppb	N/A	NO	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Total Chlorine	4.0 ppm	4.0 ppm	0.89 ppm	0.64 - 1.35 ppm	NO	Water additive used to control microbes.

Total HAA refers to HAAs

OTHER SUBSTANCES – Tested in drinking water.

Substance (Date, if sampled in previous year)	EPA's Ideal Goal (MCLG)	EPA's Limit (MCL)	Highest Average or Highest Single Test Result	Range of Detected Test Results	Violation	Typical Sources
Fluoride	4.0 ppm	4.0 ppm	1.2 ppm	0.87 - 1.20 ppm	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive to promote strong teeth.

UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS – Tested in drinking water.

Contaminant	Comparison Value	Highest Average Result or Highest Single Test Result	Range of Detected Test Results
Sodium*	20 ppm	16.2 ppm	N/A
Sulfate	500 ppm	18.1 ppm	N/A

*Note that home water softening can increase the level of sodium in your water.

Beware of Water Treatment Scams

False claims, deceptive sales pitches, or scare tactics have been used by some water treatment companies. Every person has a right to decide what is best for themselves and their family, and you may choose to install additional water treatment to further lower the levels of contaminants of emerging concern, chlorine, and other chemicals in your water. However, you should be cautious about purchasing a water treatment system. If you are

considering the purchase of a home water treatment system, please read the Minnesota Department of Health's recommendations online at Warning: [Beware of Water Treatment Scams \(https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/factsheet/beware.html\)](https://www.health.state.mn.us/public/communities/environment/water/factsheet/beware.html).

Water systems have ongoing infrastructure, operations and maintenance costs in supplying safe drinking water, and many are implementing additional efforts to help insure health equity and manageable

water bills with:

- o Turn the faucet off while brushing teeth.
- o Shower instead of bathing to reduce water use.
- o Fix running toilets by replacing flapper valves.
- o Run full loads of laundry and use a minimal water use setting.
- o Our water system partners with others to help consumers with limited resources make payments to their water bills.
- o Contact us to learn more.

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