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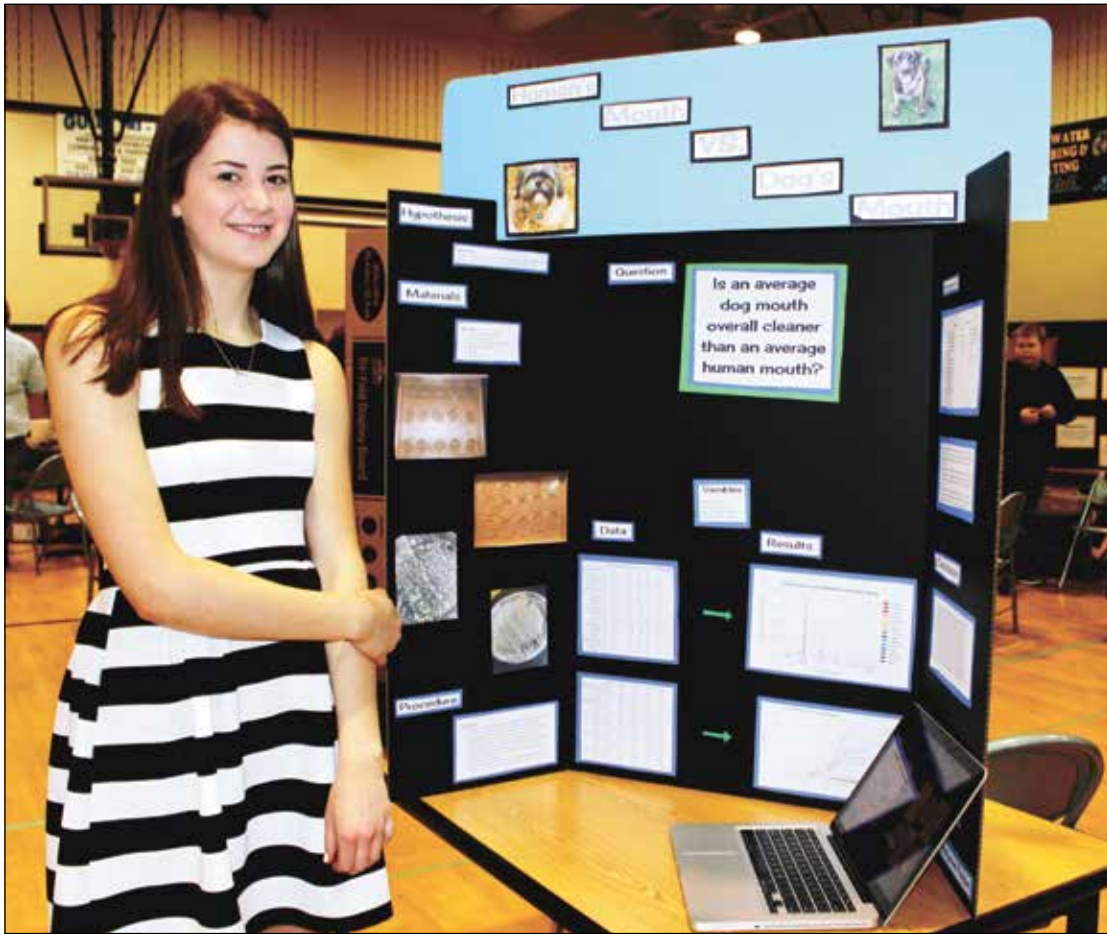
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Serving the Communities of Clearbrook, Gonvick, Gully, Leonard and Trail



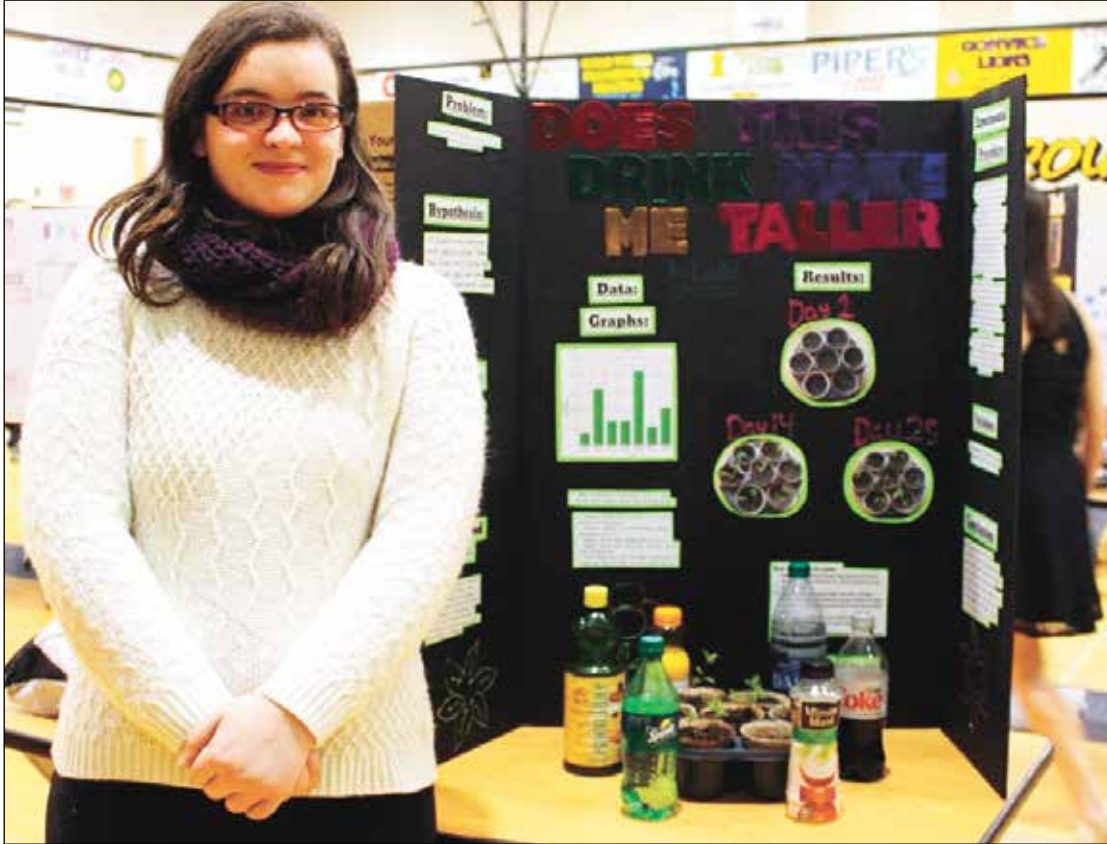
Science Fair Winners



Brandon Quern and Ethan Dorman and Brandon Quern took first place with the Science project “Keep Climbing.”



Madelynn Faldet took second place with her Science project “Dog Mouths vs. Human Mouths.”



Callie Baker took third place with her Science project “Will this drink make me taller?”

Clearbrook-Gonvick students participated in a Science Fair as part of the 5th Annual Bear Share Fair held at the school. The Science Fair was under the direction of Mrs. Sarah Goudge.

The students were judged in the morning with winners in two groups selected. The Junior High Division of seventh and eighth grade and the Senior High Division from grades ninth and tenth.

Senior winners 1st: Brandon Quern & Ethan Dorman, 2nd: Madelynn Faldet, 3rd: Callie Baker. Junior High winners 1st: Jenna Smith & Naomi Shamp, 2nd: Amara Churness & Bailey Klema, 3rd: Raymond Elhers & Brandon Weems. People's Choice: Brody Arlaud

Demonstrations and displays were in several areas of the elementary and high school.

Shown above are the winners from the Junior and Senior High: Left to Right: Callie Baker, Brody Arlaud, Brandon Quern, Ethan Dorman, Naomi Shamp, Jenna Smith, Bailey Klema, Amara Churness, Raymond Elhers, Brandon Weems. Not pictured: Madelynn Faldet.

Helipad improvements planned in Bagley

BAGLEY, Minn. – The Minnesota Department of Health has awarded Sanford Medical Center Bagley and Clearwater County with a \$125,000 grant to fund helipad improvements, which will allow the hospital to more quickly transport critical patients to tertiary hospitals. The hospital has been without a functional helipad on site since summer 2014, when it learned its existing helipad lacked sufficient clearance to meet licensure requirements.

Clearwater County is providing the requisite 25 percent match, as the property and buildings are owned by the county and leased by Sanford Health. The finished product will likewise be owned by Clearwater County.

The helipad project will not impact the landing pad itself but addresses a number of issues that were identified in the Department of Transportation site survey. These items include the removal of a nearby ambulance garage and two trees, in addition to lighting improvements. A three-vehicle ambulance garage will be rebuilt on the other side of the hospital.

“The helipad is more than the physical place where the helicopter lands; it’s the whole

site: your approach and egress, what’s over the flight path as you’re coming in, what’s over the flight path as you’re going out,” explained Seth Tramm, director of wound care, hyperbarics and emergency medical services for Sanford Health of Northern Minnesota.

Helipad requirements are based on the physical elements of a “design helicopter” – the largest helicopter that could fly into a helipad – and that helicopter keeps getting larger, said Tramm. As the design helicopter’s size increased, the hospital’s helipad was deemed too small.

Since summer 2014, patients requiring emergency transport were taken by ambulance from the Bagley hospital to the Bagley airport to be flown by helicopter to another hospital.

“Emergency transport is crucial for the patients in need of that level of care,” Tramm said. “When we could not land at the hospital, the next-best thing was to land at the airport. However, if there’s something we can do about it to make this happen here, that’s what we want to do because we understand that minutes make a difference in these scenarios.”



United Blood Services getting Jeni Zurhorst ready for her donation. The next one will be held at the Gonvick Community Center.

Blood drive held in Clearbrook

The blood drive held in Clearbrook on April 14th was successful. According to Katie Bartelson, Donor Recruitment Representative at United Blood Services, “Clearbrook had a good turnout. Out of 48 people who volunteered to donate, 40 were able to give. Six people gave blood on the automated 2RBC machine which collects two units of red blood cells during the donation, so a total of 46 products were collected. There were two people who volunteered for their first time!” Nancy Goudge coordinated the drive. Space to hold the drive was provided at the Old High School.

School drive
A total of 38 people volunteered to donate blood, and 27 were able to give during Clear-



Blood Drive... Continued on page 2

Pastor Kris Snyder was a participant at the Blood Drive that was held in Clearbrook.



Gordy Olson giving a donation for the 89th time at the drive held in Clearbrook. United Blood Services states that the availability of blood is dependent on the success of blood drive held in many communities. Gordy has made a great effort.

Community Calendar

Emergency test The Gonvick Fire Department will be testing the emergency signals the second Wednesday of each month. They will be doing that around 7:00 p.m. throughout the summer for the Gonvick and Pine Lake area.



Open House for Devan Weber There will be an Open House for Devan Weber on Saturday, May 14 from 1 to 4 pm at 28036 380th Ave SE Trail. Please join Virginia Weber and Alice Okstad in celebrating his graduation from Fosston High School set for Sunday, May 15. Everyone is welcome to attend. R6-7P



Snowmobile Club meeting May 9 Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club will have their monthly meeting on Monday, May 9th, 7:30 PM at the Silver Creek in Shevlin.

Potluck meeting Gonvick American Legion Post #304 and Auxiliary will meet Tuesday, May 10th. Potluck at 6:00 p.m., meeting at 7:00 p.m. All Legion and Auxiliary members welcome!

Clover Cemetery Clean-Up

We will be cleaning the Clover Cemetery on **Thursday, May 18** beginning at 9 am. This is also a good time to sign up for summer mowing, or call Ken Brein, 776-3251 to sign up. R6-7C

Piano Recital The piano students of Linda Tikkala and Katrina Stewart, will be presenting their spring recital on Sunday, May 15 at 2 PM at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Clearbrook.

The piano students live in the Bagley, Clearbrook-Gonvick and Bemidji area. They invite friends, family and all who would like to hear some great piano music to attend. Refreshments will be served after the recital.

Softball League They are forming the Clearbrook Men's softball league for the year. League play will be Friday evenings at 7:00 p.m. starting on May 13. If you would like more information call Steve at 218-533-0039.

Clearwater County Fair Calendar Raffle Winners

April 23 - Robert Larson, Wilton, \$20

April 24 - Jerry Winans, Pinewood, \$20

April 25 - Doris Anderson, Bagley, \$20

April 26 - Warren Erickson, Clearbrook, \$20

April 27 -Jill Suhr, Men-tor, \$20

April 28 - Donna Marty, Shevlin, \$20

April 29 - Ruben Johnson, Bagley, \$20

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Community Resource Connections services are Free and Confidential.

Office hours in Bagley are Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30-5:00. R6-8C

National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 5th

First Baptist Church, 7:00 pm

Everyone Welcome!

R5-6C

Blood Drive... Continued from front page brook-Gonvick High School's April 13th blood drive. Five people gave blood on the automated 2RBC machine which collects two units of red blood cells during the donation, so a total of 32 products were collected. Every community and everyone within each community has a stake in an adequate blood supply. Blood will be available only because of blood drive sponsors, coordinators, and volunteer donors. There were 18 people who volunteered for their first time!

John Lavin coordinated the drive and the Student Council sponsored and assisted with recruiting donors, publicity, providing refreshments, and registering donors. Others who assisted the day of the drive were: Katherine Knutson, Brynn Hetland and Taylor Volker.

Space to hold the drive was provided at Clearbrook-Gonvick High School.

Donations will help meet the blood needs of many patients in 108 regional hospitals served by United Blood Services. Blood is for sharing; you have truly given the "Gift of Life."

The availability of blood is dependent on the success of blood drive held in many communities. The citizens of the Clearbrook area can be assured that their community is a good example of a well-run blood program.

On behalf of the patients who benefitted, United Blood Services appreciates all the thoughtful people who volunteered to help others by giving of themselves.

Blood is for sharing; you have truly given the "Gift of Life".

Gully American Legion and Auxiliary meeting May 4 The Gully American Legion and Auxiliary will meet on Wednesday, May 4th at 6:00 p.m. at the Gully Community Center. Lunch will be served at 6:00 p.m. to celebrate the American Legion birthday.

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Cemetery Cleanup/ Meeting Notice The Sinclair Cemetery Cleanup Day is scheduled for Monday, May 9th at 6:00pm. If able, please bring a shovel, rake, and/or wheel barrow.

The Sinclair Township Regular Board meeting, for May 2016, will take place at the Sinclair Town Hall following the Cemetery Clean up. Thank you and hope to see you there!!

SUNSHINE WINDOWS Of Clearbrook

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TRESA KNUTSON **218-776-2260** R6-9C

It's a Girl! Let's shower her with love... You are cordially invited to a **Baby Shower** for **Alisha Rude** on **Sat., May 7th** at 1 pm Clearwater Life Center (Old Gonvick School) REP

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed. May 4- Chicken in cream sauce, rice, peas and carrots, peaches, cream puff dessert and milk.

Thurs. May 5 - *Mother's Day Meal* - Pork loin, buttered boiled potatoes, creamed carrots, bread, poke cake and milk.

Fri. May 6 -Sloppy Jo, potato chunks, baked beans, cup-cake, bun and milk.

Mon. May 9 - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, carrots, bread, pineapple and milk.

Tues. May 10- BBQ pork sandwich, potato, salad, cauliflower, bun, fruit crisp and milk.

Wed. May 11- *Birthday Meal* - Roast pork, whole potatoes, buttered cabbage, bread, Rosy applesauce and milk.

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

Mathis Re-Elected to Square Butte Board Gary Mathis, Gonvick, MN was re-elected to the board of directors of Square Butte Electric Cooperative at the cooperative's annual meeting held April 1, 2016. Mathis represents Clearwater-Polk Electric Cooperative, Bagley, MN, on the 11 member Square Butte board. Square Butte is a generation and transmission cooperative that sells wholesale power to Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc., Grand Forks and Minnesota Power, Duluth, MN. Square Butte and Minnkota share common management and are owned by the same 11 electric cooperatives in eastern North Dakota and northwestern Minnesota.

Submitted by Square Butte Electric Cooperative.

Card of Thanks

Nobody could have foreseen our loss of Miles. It brought us into a time of darkness that we've been coming out of thanks to the overwhelming amount of support given to us by so many.

We would like to thank all of the emergency personnel who assisted at the scene, Pastor Kris Snyder, Samhold Church, Erskine Attachments, Landsverk Dairy, 2 Loons Letters and Threads and Cease Funeral Home.

Thank you to everyone who attended the funeral, sent flowers, sent cards, brought food, called, visited and shared memories. Your prayers, kind words and generosity are greatly appreciated.

We would also like to thank the Fosston High School Class of 2013. You are amazing individuals and should be proud of yourselves.

Love, **Dave & Peggy Rosnow** **Grace & Stephen Lintner** **Anna Walton** **Charles Walton** **Sierra & Dusty Gilbertson (Penny & Easton)** **Ashley Reichert** R6C

Church News

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH 1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6
Senior Pastor Larry Dorman
Associate Pastor Jim Binder
Youth Pastor Troy Churness
Children's Minister Nikki Ubert
www.countryfaith.org
218-776-3367

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School (Sept 7-May 17) 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 7:00 p.m. Youth Night (check church website for dates)

Every Tuesday: 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer

***Wednesdays:** Care groups in various homes

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

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS - Clearbrook Branch 305 Lake Ave. E.
Sacrament Meeting: 10:00-11:00 a.m.; Sunday School: 11:20 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Priesthood/Relief Society: 12:10-1:00 p.m.; Young Women's: 12:10-1:00 p.m.; Primary: 11:20 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor Verlyn Strengre
Assoc. Pastor Jim Galloway Clearbrook
Wed., May 4 - Awana 6:30 pm, **Thur. May 5 - 7:00 p.m.** National Day of Prayer at First Baptist Church.
Sat., May 7 - 7:00 a.m. Men's prayer breakfast and Bible Study at the church.
Sun., May 8 - 9:30 am Sunday School, 10:45 am Morning Worship.

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

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

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Center

April 19, 2016 Monthly meeting was called to order by President Lloyd Engen. Secretary and Treasurer reports were read and approved.

Pancake breakfast will be held at the senior center April 23rd from 8 am to 11am.

Carole DeMars was at our meeting to report on the meal program. Registration and other things of interest pertaining to the senior meals. She gave a very good report.

Carol Niewinski gave a plant to be given to who's name or number was called. Janet Cooper won it. Lunch ticket was won by Harriet Shellum.

Lunch served by Janice Stormo, Jo Kelly and Carol Croy. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Beverly Charles.

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

Grow It! Greenhouse & Garden Center: Extended hours: Fri., 9-6, Sat., 9-2, & Sun., Mother's Day, 12-2. Gift Certificates available.

Friday Night Out this Friday: Syttende Mai Celebration at CWLC-Gonvick. 5-7 PM. Four-course meal of Norwegian cuisine with schottische dance demonstration & instruction at 6:45PM! Call to reserve your space or just drop-in. 218-776-2789

May 9, 6:30-8:30 PM at Create It! Art Studios., "Painting with Acrylic and Watercolor". Jay Jones, instructor. \$5 per class, includes supplies. Drop-ins welcome.

Imagine It! Event Center available for rent for your special occasion.

At **CWLC-Clearbrook** Shop-at-the-Top, is open Mon. thru Fri., 10-4 and Sat., 10-3 at 256 2nd Ave., SW Our **Gonvick** site businesses, 226 Elm St, are open Mon. thru Fri., 9-4 & Sat., 9-12: Create It! Art Studios & Gallery and Restore It! Furniture Shop. Senior Connection is open M-W-F, 10-3

For programs and services, visit us at: **www.clearwaterslife.org**, **www.mustardseedhomes.org**, or **www.adultdayervicesgonvick.org** and our Facebook pages.

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Thurs., May 5: 2:00 p.m. WELCA potluck lunch, everyone welcome.

Fri., May 6: 5:00 p.m. til dark Cemetery Clean-up - Augustana, greenwood, Silver Creek, Seljord/ Westby - bring rakes, shovels and wheelbarrows; 6:00 p.m. Youth meet at the Good Samaritan Center.

Sun., May 8: 9:00 am Worship/ Communion, 10:00 am Sunday School/ Coffee Hour.

Thurs., May 9: 7:00 p.m. Church Council.

Joint activities **Wed., May 4:** 6:00 p.m. Confirmation

Thurs., May 5: 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast.

Our Savior's **Sun., May 8:** 9:45 am Sunday School; 10:30 am Coffee Hour; 11:00 am Sunday Worship/ Communion.

Thurs., May 12: 6:00 p.m. Cemetery Clean-up - Zion and Norway Lake, bring your flat shovels and rakes.

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

Wed., May 4, 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study; 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study; 10:30 AM QUILTING, 6-7 PM Divine Drama/Confirmation,

Sun., May 8, 9:30 AM Last Day of Sunday School, 10:30 AM Worship Service/Children sing

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH **Sun., May 8, 9:00 AM** Worship Service

KINGDOM HALL OF JEROVAH'S WITNESSES Sand Lake Ave & 5th St. Bagley

Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Bible Study; 8:00 p.m. Theocratic School; 8:30 p.m. Service Meeting.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Public Bible Talk; 10:35 a.m. Bible Study.

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog **Wed, May 4** 5:30 p.m. Confirmation, 6:30 p.m. Youth Group, 7:30 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer

Thurs., May 5 - 9:30 a.m. Bible Study & Prayer, 7:00 p.m. National Day of Prayer Service at 1st Baptist.

Sun. May 8 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m., Worship Service.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth **Wed, May 4:** 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School. 7:00 p.m. LYS meeting.

Sat, May 7: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive. 10:15 a.m. Sunday School.

Sun, May 8: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. St. Petri SS; 8:30 a.m. Nazareth Sunday School. 9:45 a.m. Nazareth, 9:45 a.m. Oak Park SS. 11:00 a.m. Oak Park.

Wed, May 11: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH Josiah Hoagland, Pastor Tyler Stynerg, Youth Pastor **www.newjourneyfosston.com**

Wed, May 4: 6:30 p.m. AWANA and Youth Group.

Thu, May 5: 12:00 p.m. Rotary meeting.

Fri, May 6: 8:00 a.m. Friday School.

Sun, May 8: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School graduation.

Tue, May 10: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Quilting.

Wed, May 11: 6:30 p.m. AWANA and Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH Bethany * Lund Sand Valley Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister

Sun, May 8: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Bethany.

Wed, May 11: 2:00 p.m. Lund WELCA.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston
Jon Marx, Lead Pastor **Seth Johnson, Assist. Pastor**

Sun, May 8: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

Wed. May 4 Dunkers with sauce, corn, fresh fruit and vegetable choices and milk.

Thurs. May 5- Taco in a bag, refried beans, fresh fruit and vegetable choices and milk.

Fri. May 6 - Orange chicken, with rice blend, fortune cookie, fresh fruit and vegetable choices and milk.

Mon. May 9 - Chicken patty on bun, tri tater, fresh fruit and vegetable choices and milk.

Tues. May 10 - Turkey gravy over mashed potatoes, dinner roll, fresh fruit and vegetable choices, and milk.

Wed. May 11 - Chicken Alfredo, broccoli, breadstick, fresh fruit and vegetable choices and milk.

BREAKFAST MENU-
Monday- Breakfast Pizza, Fruit, Juice and Milk.

Tuesday- Biscuit w/Gravy, Tri Tater, Fruit, Juice and Milk

Wednesday- Breakfast Sandwich, Fruit, Juice and Milk.

Thursday- Pancakes, French toast or Waffles, Sausage, Fruit, Juice and Milk

Friday- Breakfast Roll, String Cheese, Fruit, Juice and Milk.

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

School News

Sgt. Brown, Army recruiter, will be on the stage during lunch on Thursday, May 5th to answer any questions you have about the Army.

Kindergarten Round-Up
OPEN HOUSE (for students that are planning on attending kindergarten in the fall of 2016 and are eligible) will be Tuesday, May 17th from 5-6:00 (If attending HS band concert, please plan accordingly!)

Please note the following date changes from the original school calendar:

Elementary Music program is Monday, May 16 at 6:00 pm in the gym.

High School Music concert is Tuesday, May 17 at 6:00 pm in the gym.

Last day of Kindergarten is Wednesday, May 25th.

Kindergarten Graduation is Thursday, May 26th at 1:30 (large gym)

Summer Recreation Fund-raiser Supper: The Clearbrook American Legion will serve a Pork supper on Thursday, May 12 from 5:00-7:00 at the Banquet Room in the Clearbrook Community Center (old school).

Saturday Night Challenge:

Final one of the year is April 30.

Good-2-Best basketball camp will be held here at CG June 6-9 for boys and girls entering 4th-9th grade. Registration forms available in the display case by the office.

Lace ‘em Up” basketball camp to be held in Red Lake Falls high school from June 6-10, 2016. The camp is open to any boys or girls who are currently in grades K-11. Registration forms are available in the display case by the office.

CG Summer Recreation brochures will be out around mid-May. They will be sent home with K-6 students and given to 7th & 8th grade students that want them. They will also be available in the display case by the school office, on the school web site under Community Education, on the Clearbrook-Gonvick Community Education Facebook page as well as at some local businesses. **COUNSELORS CORNER:**

Our Counselor is Kim Cousins. Her hours will be 7:45-3:45 Tuesday & Thursday & 8:00-12:00 on Wednesdays.

Seniors: Scholarship opportunities will be listed in the weekly bulletin and on the

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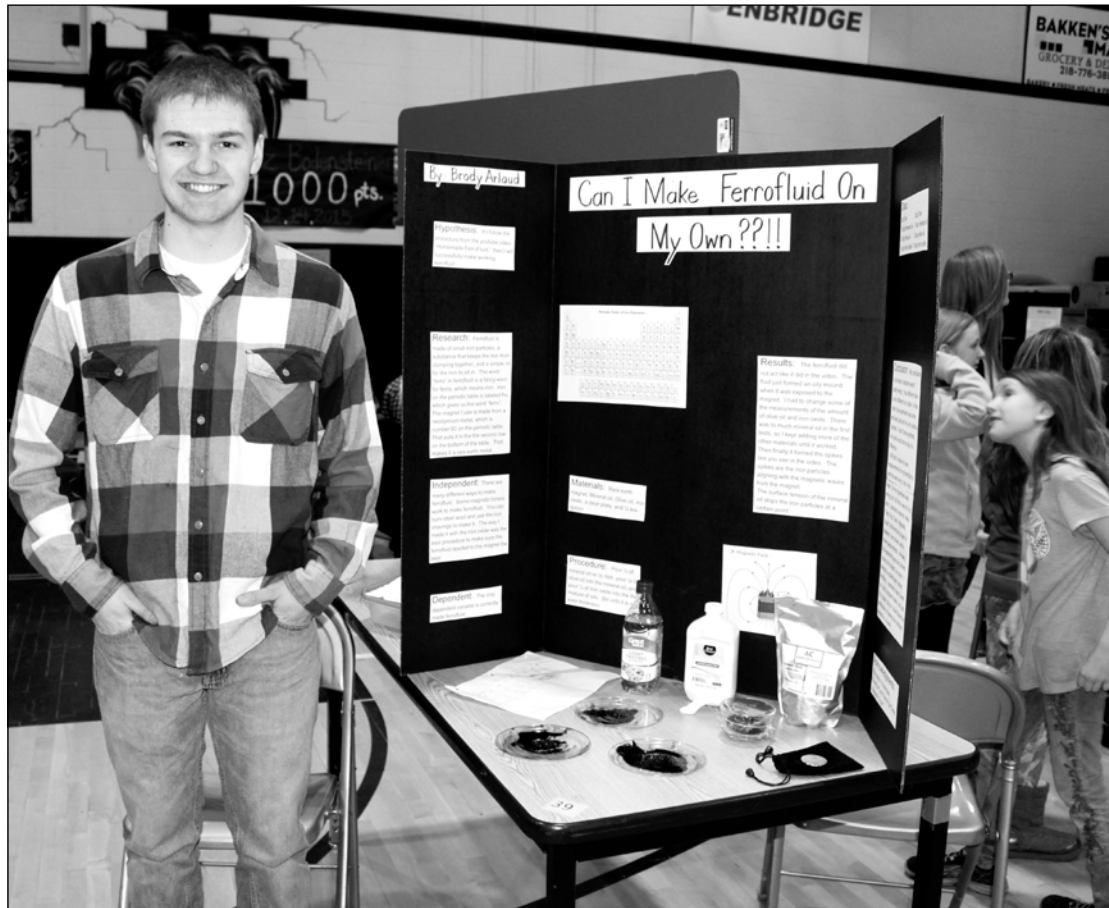
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The Grizzlies J O volleyball team took First place out of twelve teams at the 12u Park Rapids tournament on Saturday April 23. J O volleyball is a non school affiliated organization. Coaches and parents donate their time and resources to support the program. A special thanks to all the local Businesses give contributions to the group. They are very proud of these girls and this program! Go Grizzlies! L-R back: Maci Wagner, Kaylee Westrum, Emma Rude. L-R Coach Holly Wagner, Maya Engen, Ella Engen, Danielle Faldet, Dana Melby, Kelsey Johnson, Coach Cindy Melby.

SPOTLIGHT

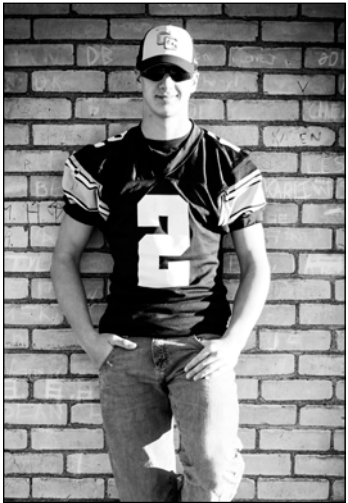
April Spotlight
on High School Students of the Month



Brody Arlaud received the People's Choice Award at the Clearbrook-Gonvick Science Fair with his project "Can I Make Ferro Fluid On My Own?"

Meet the Clearbrook-Gonvick Seniors

Each week the Leader-Record is featuring the 2016 seniors



Name: Sawyer Engberg
Family members: Jon – Dad, Lesly – Mom, Myranda – Sister and Jensen – Brother.
Best High School Memory: Short Street
Favorite Song: Too many to choose from
Favorite Movie: "Dead-pool"
Favorite Class: Shop
Advice to underclassmen: Learn your place and leave me alone.
What are your plans for next year? Go to college.



Name: Blake Jones
Family members: Jay, Mistie, Brielle and Caleb
Best High School Memory: Short Street
Favorite Song: Too many to choose one.
Favorite Movie: "Dead-pool"
Favorite Class: Chemistry
Advice to underclassmen: Yolo
What are your plans for next year? Work



Name: Susana Piatkoff
Family members: Mom and Dad (Maria and Feodor Piatkoff) Brothers (Abraham, Mehiah, Georgie and Tim Piatkoff) Sisters (Pana Ivanov and Anna Piatkoff)
Best High School Memory: Hanging out with my friend Lydia every day.
Favorite Song: "Ice, Ice Baby" by Vanilla Ice
Favorite Movie: "Frozen"
Favorite Class: History
Advice to underclassmen: Learn as much as you can.
What are your plans for next year? No plans.



Pictured in back: Emily Bergman, Judah Bennett, MaKayl Burman. Pictured in front: Danae Stenzel, Kaylee Faldet. Not Pictured: Madelynne Faldet

April High School Students of the Month
Name: MaKayla Burman, Grade 12

Parents: Adam (dad) and Cheyenne (stepmom) Burman, Laura Mestas (mom) Sibling: Austin, Angel, Christian, Reign, Chase, Logan, and Zoe

School Involvement: Riverwatch, National Honor Society, and Yearbook

Favorite Class: Yearbook and Anatomy

Hobbies/Interests: Fishing and swimming

What she likes about CG: "The people here are nice. I like how close the people are."

Future Plans: "I would love to be a doctor."

Comments: "Inquisitive mind. Wants to learn!" "Pleasure to have in class." "Always wants to make sure she gets it correct." "Always so polite!" "MaKayla is a self motivated learner. She desires to understand the material completely and is thorough with her work."

Name: Judah Bennett, Grade 11

Parents: Stephen and Caroline Bennett Sibling: Josiah, Nathan, Tony, Anna, Gabriella, Danielle, and Christian

School Involvement: Football, Track, and Weightlifting

Favorite Class: Lunch and Chemistry

Hobbies/Interests: Playing guitar and riding horse

What he likes about CG: "The lunches and it is small. I don't like being in big crowds."

Future Plans: Horse Rancher

Comments: "He has a great sense of humor and always has a smile on his face." "Very pleasant to work with. Kind and considerate." "Great demeanor, great smile, great student to have in class. Always a big smile on his face." "Very kind and always willing to help other students out." "He is always so kind...even when the elementary kids ask him for money!" "Always friendly and willing to participate." "He is kind and respectful to all, he always has a good book to read, and his sense of humor is always welcome."

Name: Madelynne Faldet, Grade 10

Parents: Ross and Jennifer Faldet Sibling: Johan and Danielle

School Involvement: Basketball, Volleyball, Concert Band, and Class President

Favorite Class: "I enjoy all of the classes and activities I am involved in but I especially enjoy playing basketball."

Hobbies/Interests: Playing sports, hunting, running, and hanging out with friends.

What she likes about

CG: "I like that Clearbrook-Gonvick is a small school with a lot of great teachers and students."

Future Plans: "Currently I am very interested in becoming a dentist."

Comments: "She has a calm demeanor and great work-ethic." "She is eager to get her work done well and done on time." "Very diligent in her studies to make sure she does things correctly and understands what is going on." "Gets along well with her peers and always seems to be smiling." "Pleasure to have in class."

Name: Emily Bergman, Grade 9

Parents: Paul and Sally Bergman Sibling: Jenny, Sarah, Carly, Erick

School Involvement: Volleyball, iMPACT

Favorite class: Geography and English

Hobbies/Interests: Playing volleyball

What she likes about CG: "The nice people and teachers."

Future Plans: A teacher or a nurse

Comments: "Leader and follow through on projects. What she commits to, she does. Contributor across campus making this a better place to be." "Very pleasant and respectful of all whom she comes into contact with." "Well liked by her peers and always has a smile on her face." "Emily will go far in life! Very dedicated and willing to learn new things!" "Emily is kind, respectful, and caring. She radiates goodness, want to help others, and will do great things!"

Name: Danae Stenzel, Grade 8

Parents: Tom and Cheryl Stenzel Sibling: Madi

School Involvement: Volleyball, Basketball, Track, iMPACT, Student Council

Favorite class: Gym
Hobbies/Interests: Basketball and swimming

What she likes about CG: "The food and the teachers are very friendly."

Future Plans: Doctor

Comments: "She is a hard worker who always tries her best." "Interested in setting an

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example through her actions. She is consistent and a quiet leader as she leads through her actions." "Very determined to get things correct." "Fierce competitor on the playing field." "Very diligent in her studies to make sure she gets thing correct" "Very much enjoy having her in my classes again this year." "A dependable and conscientious student."

Name: Kaylee Faldet, Grade 7
Parents: Darwin and Brenda Faldet Sibling: Cassie
School Involvement: Band, iMPACT, Track, Basketball

Favorite class: Math
Hobbies/Interests: Volleyball
What she likes about CG: "Everybody knows everybody."
Future Plans: To be a teacher
Comments: "She has an infectious smile and a kind attitude towards everyone." "Positive attitude that brings others up. Sees beyond herself and cares about contributing to the lives of others. She is dependable and an excellent role models for those younger and older." "Great smile! She is very quiet in class but I suspect this is not true when not in class!" "Wish I had more like her in my class." "Does very well on her studies and seems to be driven to do her

best on everything." "She is a very good student. She's quiet, but I can tell the 'wheels are always turning!'" "Kaylee has an internal drive that sets her apart from others. She is very respectful and kind. What she starts, she will complete. She always does her best."

School News...
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school web page. Paper applications will be available just outside the Counselor's office. If you have questions, see the CGHS counselor.

The following web address lists scholarships that Minnesota students are eligible to receive: www.studentscholarships.org/newsletter.php
UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:
Thur, May 5: Var Track at Mahnomen at 4:00. Bus leaves at 2:00, dismiss at 1:50
Thur, May 5: JH Track at Crookston HS at 4:00. Bus leaves at 2:00, dismiss at 1:50

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

NEEDS BASED BENEFITS: Some veterans enrolled and participating in VA Health Care pay a small copay for clinic visits and/or their prescriptions filled by the VA Health Care System. This non-exempt status is based on the previous year gross income and medical expenses as reported by the veteran. The reporting is accomplished by a short VA form, and the veteran is best served by using gross income and out-of-pocket expenses as shown on previous year tax records and reports from health care providers. A well-documented Financial Means Test gives an honest and consistent insight into the veteran patient's copays exempt or non-exempt

status.
VETERANS CHOICE PROGRAM: Have you received your Veterans Choice Card yet? It will assist veterans with better and timely access to VA Health Care delivered by Non-VA Providers. This is determined by excess wait time or excess travel distance for the care attempting to be arranged by the veteran and his VA Primary Care Provider. Call any County Veterans Service Office, MN State Veterans Administration office, VA Regional Office or National Service Organization representative with questions about these or any VA Health Care, Veterans Benefits Administration or VA Cemetery Administration programs. Drop-in visitors to the CVSO office may find another client already being served, sitting in a chair at the desk with the CVSO. In the interest of that client's privacy and work in

progress, it is requested the drop-in visitor indicate if they can sit at the waiting area a few minutes, come back later, or call the CVSO later. All office activity, and each client's privacy, are very important. On a lighter note, phone calls to the CVSO office that result in a voicemail message being left are now immediately forwarded to the CVSO cell phone, thanks to the new Courthouse telephone system update. This results in 24/7 office coverage and the opportunity for immediate response and action by the CVSO to serve the caller. Direct dial and text messaging to the CVSO cell phone also remain available.
I welcome your own personal comments. Constructive feedback on your own behalf (not anonymous) to our Commissioners is also a valuable gauge. Office(218)694-6618; Cell/Text(218)556-5340 Hutch



The Clearbrook-Gonvick After-Prom Committee would like to thank G.L. Berg Entertainment, Devotion Paintball, Northern Amusement and Digital Jake for providing entertainment at the party. We would also like to thank Jimmy John's and NEI Bottling for donating food and drinks for the event. In addition, generous donations from the following businesses once again helped to provide our juniors and seniors and their guests with wonderful entertainment, prizes and gifts.

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We would also like to thank all the parents who donated time, energy and/or money. This would not have been possible without your help. All in all, it was another safe, fun-filled and memorable event!!
*** If we have inadvertently omitted anyone, we sincerely apologize.

From the Past



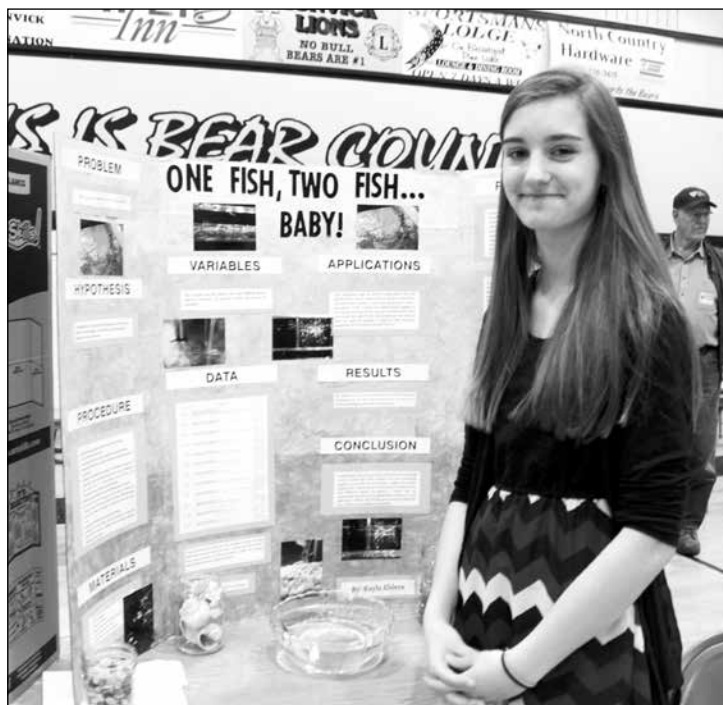
This was at an REA meeting in Clearbrook in 1966. Some people that can be identified are Widseth, Lundmark, Ness and Rusten. Can anyone help with this group. If you can't just enjoy the way they dressed to attend an annual meeting.



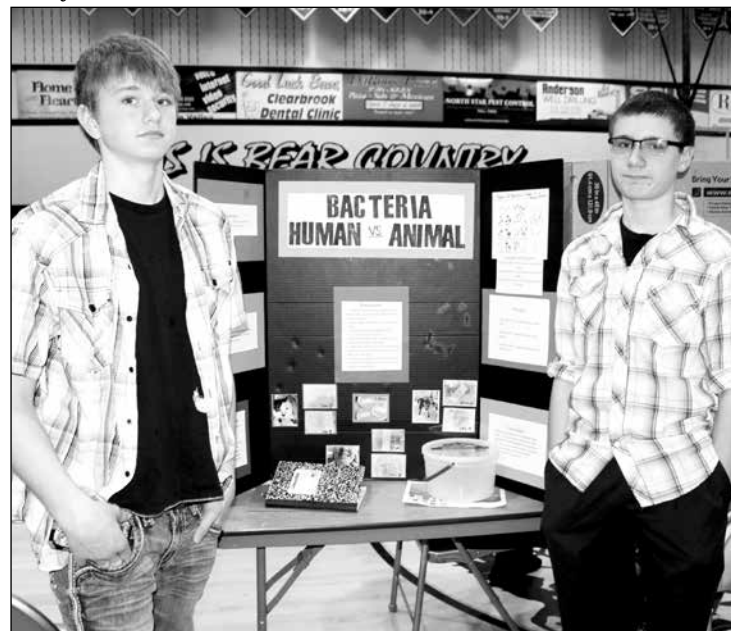
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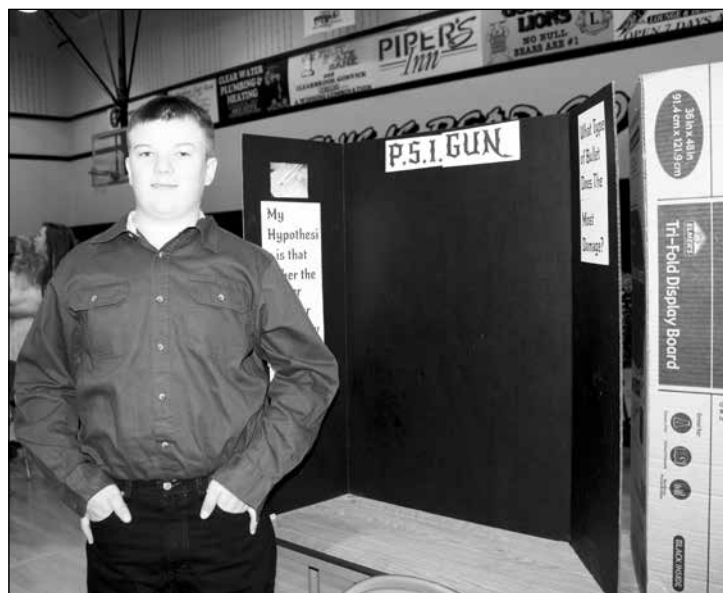
Kayla Ehlers with her project "One Fish, Two Fish... Baby."



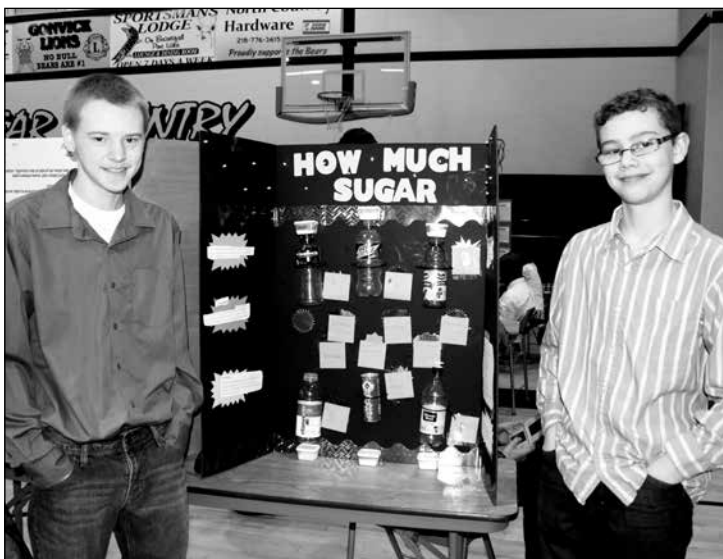
Tyler Weems and Levi Nelson with their project "Bacteria: Human Vs. Animal."



Jake Nelson with his project "EvapoRATE."



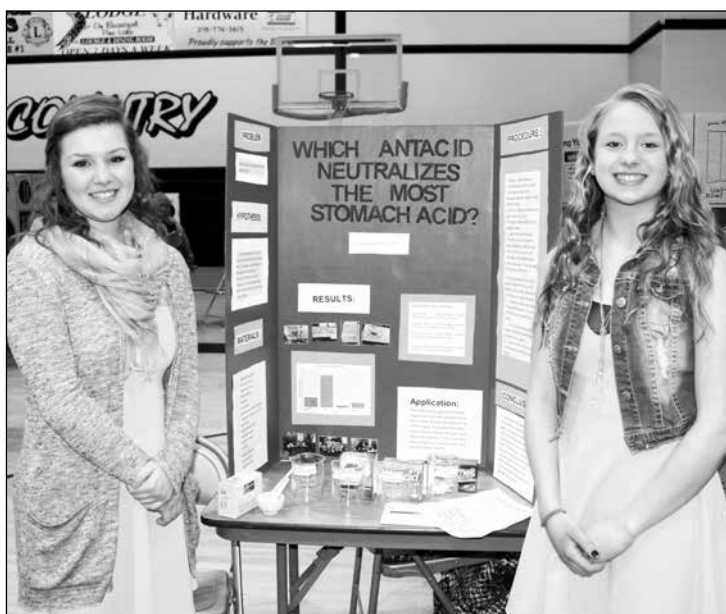
Ben Nelson with his project "PSI Gun."



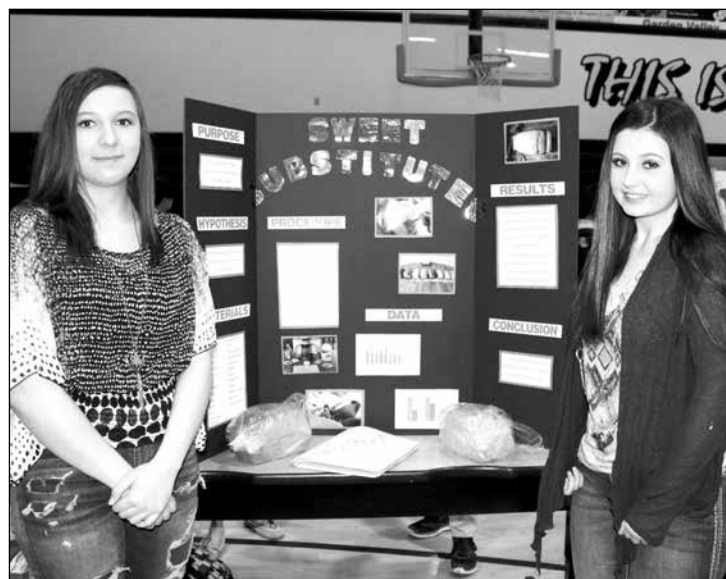
Dacota Torgeson and Jayson Johnson with their project "How Much Sugar?"



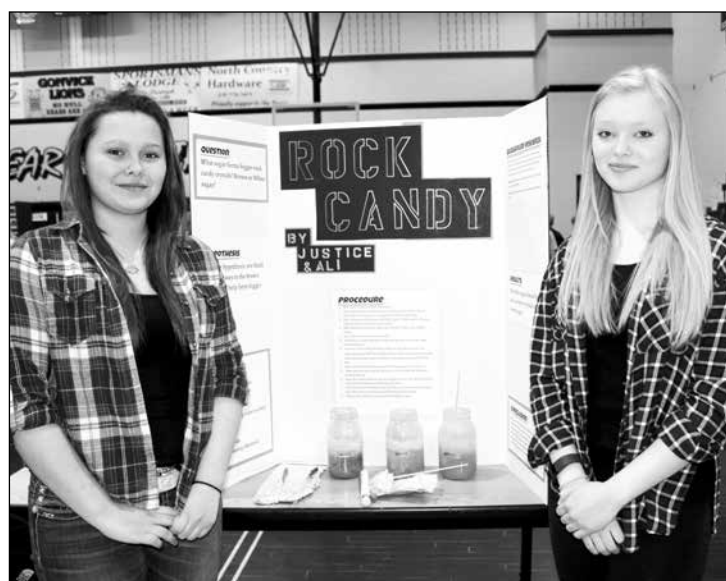
Savanna Rankin with her project "Washed Away."



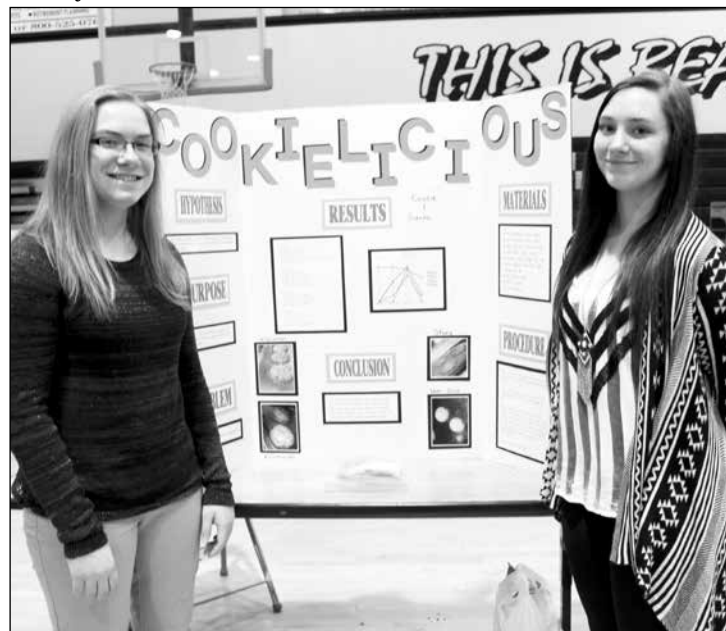
Allison Lewis and Jackielynn Tafin with their project "Which Antacid Neutralizes the Most Stomach Acid?"



Myranda Engberg and Breana Branchaud with their project "Sweet Substitutes."



Justice Johnson and Ali Bjerke with their project "Rock Candy."



Cassie Faldet and Sierre Walters with their project "Cookielicious."



Kayla Berrard and Brianna Straabe with their project "Taste in Disguise."



Mikala Johnson and Brynn Hetland with their project "Resolvin' The Dissolvin'."



Hayley Abeldgaard and Diana Defore with their project "9 Layer Density Column."



Sam Johnson and Jonny Hamnes with their project "Does Moving Your Arms Faster Make you Run Faster?"



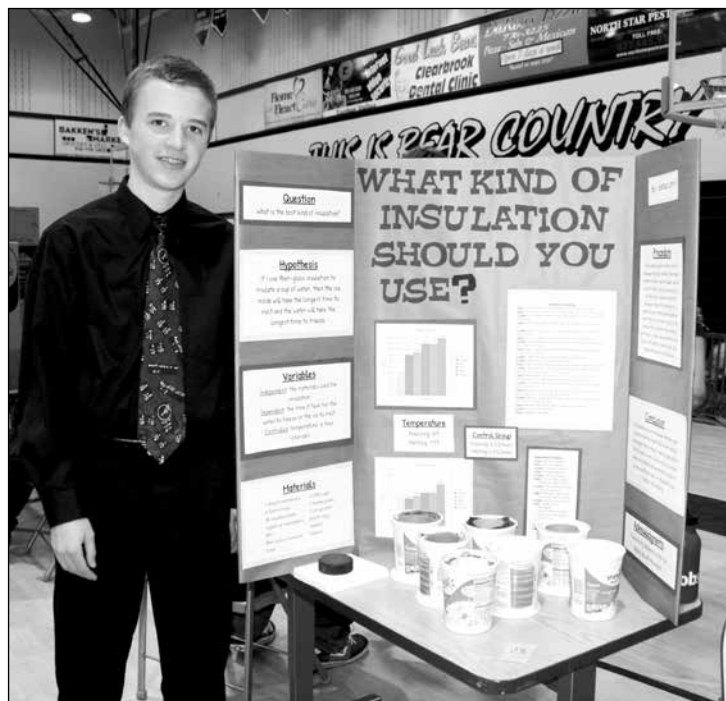
Xavier Goodwin and his project "Blast Off!"



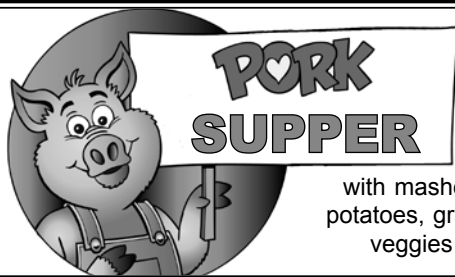
Morgan Cornell and Cami Johnson with their project "I Was So Excited, I Wet My Plants."



Tyra Goodwin with her project "Natural Oven Cleaner vs Easy Off."



Josh Lavin with his project "What Kind Of Insulation Should You Use."



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Marilyn Shamp, Clerk

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Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards



Don't forget to wish your mother a Happy Mothers Day on Sunday, May 8.

Gary and Shanon Matthew of Clearbrook provided the limousine that took Lydia and her grandfather Paul Magelssen to the prom in Fosston.

Looking out our back window on Saturday morning we saw a crow attacking a rabbit. It would fly down with its claws and peck at it and the rabbit would run and the crow went after it again. The rabbit finally got into the woods. I had never seen that before.

Laurel Midthun, our next door neighbor, used to bring me a May basket and ring my door bell and run home again. I don't think people do that anymore.

Make your plans now... The Gonvick Lions Rodeo will start at 6:00 pm both Friday and Saturday nights July 15 and 16. Rodeo will be approximately two hours in length. Parade at 2:00 p.m Saturday.

There will be an Informational Open House on Monday, May 9, 2016 anytime between 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM at the Clearwater County Highway department in Bagley. This is in regards to the Reconstruction of Clearwater County Road CSAH 30 (221st Avenue) & CSAH 31 (300th street), between TH 92 and CSAH 13. If you have any questions and cannot attend, please contact the Clearwater County Highway Department at 218-694-6132.

From my mail...

We received a letter from Donna Shadley with her subscription renewal for the Leader-Record. She hopes to be in Minnesota around the Bemidji, Leonard area for one month or more later this summer. She lives in Ada, Ohio.

Sixty-two Bemidji State University employees with a combined total of 880 years of service to the university were recognized for reaching employment milestones, included were: Retirements of Melvin Nygaard, 10 years;

10 Years of service Kody Hagen, ITS 3/lead web developer;

5 Years Marci Maple, associate professor of nursing.

The City of Gonvick is seeking an individual to help out with summer work under the "Experienced Works Program" or "Inter County Community Council". Must be age 55 or older to qualify. For more information please contact The City Clerk (218) 487-5243.

The Bemidji Chorale will present their 37th Annual Spring Concert on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 8th at 7:00PM in the Beaux Arts Ballroom on the campus of Bemidji State University. Freewill offering. Ice Cream Social following.

You can contact Gonvick

City Clerk Stacy Halvorson if you would like to Adopt-A-Flower Basket for Main Street this summer. Her number is 487-5243.

A NAMI Connection peer support group for adults recovering from a mental illness meets weekly in Bemidji. The free group is sponsored by NAMI Minnesota (National Alliance on Mental Illness). Trained facilitators who are also in recovery lead NAMI Connection groups. The group meets on meets on Mondays from 5:30-7:00 p.m., at United Methodist Church, 902 Beltrami Ave. NW. For information contact Heather at 763-439-1315 or call 1-888-NAMI-Helps.

Thursday (May 5) is Cinco De Mayo, a Mexican history that honors the Mexican victory over the French at the battle of Puebla on May 5, 1862. The improbable victory is a cherished moment in the history of Mexico and is often confused by Americans as a Mexican Independence Day.

The Beltrami Soil and Water Conservation District Board monthly meeting will be held Friday, May 13, 2016 in the Beltrami County Board Room, County Administration Building, 701 Minnesota Avenue NW, Bemidji, MN. There will be a Work Session beginning at 9:00 a.m. with the regular Board Meeting beginning at 9:30 a.m.



Sam Ternes

Sam Ternes accepted to University of Minnesota, Morris

MORRIS, Minn. (April 29, 2016) - Sam Ternes, of Gonvick, has been accepted to and has chosen to attend the University of Minnesota, Morris, one of the most respected public liberal arts colleges in the nation.

Ternes, a 2016 graduate of Clearbrook-Gonvick High School, will attend Morris beginning Fall 2016. Ternes is the recipient of an Achievement Scholarship, renewable up to four years. Achievement Scholars are selected based on their academic accomplishments at the time of application. All first-year students who submit an application to Morris are automatically considered for an Achievement Scholarship package.

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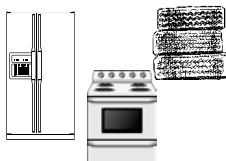
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Joke time...

Ole lived across the Minnesota river from Clarence, whom he didn't like at all. They were yelling across the river at each other all the time. Ole would yell at Clarence, "If I had a way to cross dis river, I'd come offer dere an beat you up good, yeah sure, ya betcha, by golly!" Clarence would yell back, "Ya don't scare me. I cud beatcha wit one hand behind me back, fer sure!" This went on for years. Finally, the state built a bridge across the river right there by their houses. Ole's wife, Lena, says, "Now iss yer chance, Ole. Vhy

doncha go over dere and beat up dat Clarence like you said you vud?" Ole replied, "OK, by yimmy, I tink I vill do just dat!" Ole started for the bridge, but he saw a sign on the bridge and stopped to read it, then turned around and came back did home. Lena asked, "Vhy you come back?" Ole said, "Lena, I tink I changed my mind 'bout beatin' up dat Clarence. You know, when I yell at him from across DA river, he don't look so big. But dey put a sign on DA bridge dat says "Clarence is 13 feet, 6 inches."

From Larry Dathe



On Friday evening, April 29th, the Red Lake Falls Fire Department, Red Lake County Sheriff's Department (for traffic control) and a water truck from Oklee's Fire Department were on hand to burn down St. Anthony's. The RLF Fire Department did some training exercises before letting the fire take the building.

Terrebonne loses historic landmark

(From "A History of Red Lake County")

Church of St. Anthony of Padua - Strikingly situated on a small rise along Highway 92, six miles east of Red Lake Falls, is the Church of St. Anthony of Padua, with a cemetery adjoining the church property and two beautiful shrines, always illuminated at night.

Terrebonne was founded in the spring of 1879 by French Canadians from Montreal in the province of Quebec. Fifty-three tickets were purchased for this journey, some of the families settling near Gentilly and some in Terrebonne.

Father Pierre Champagne of Red Lake Falls established a mission here in 1879 and sang the first Christmas Midnight Mass in the home of Desire Robillard. In 1912 there were about 127 families in the parish and it cost about \$1,000 a year to maintain the church. In 1973 there were about 77 families in the parish and it cost about \$16,000 to maintain a year.

Father Tim Bushy was the last pastor to serve St. Anthony.

An article was written in March 2015 by Matt McKenney from the Star Tribune about the struggles a group of people went through trying to save the historic church.

For many generations, the steeples of St. Anthony Catholic Church have presided over life in Terrebonne, a farm community that once was a bustling town that had a flour mill and cheese factory. The church has always been a landmark for Terrebonne.

According to the Star Tribune article, Dan Derosier stated, "You tear down the church, Terrebonne really doesn't exist anymore." Derosier heads up the small group working to preserve St.

Anthony's. The years of being empty have left the building with leaning walls, uneven floors, mold growing on the walls which now made the building unsavable.

Demolition was put off after a group led by the Derosiers loudly called for preserving the church in a lonely fight to keep St. Anthony's standing.

Using \$36,600 from fundraisers over the years, the group has twice painted the church. After an F2 tornado hit St. Anthony's, toppling a chimney, they repaired a bathtub-sized hole in the roof.

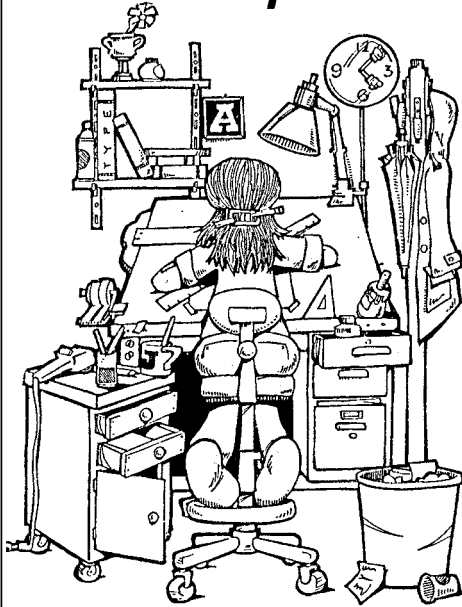
Still hoping in 2013, Derosier told Crookston Bishop Michael Hoeppner that the church needed about \$20,000 in repairs, paid for with more donations. Hoeppner told him to wait. Over the past year, members have been dismantling the stained glass windows, finding homes for the items worth saving and the final plan to burn the church down became a reality on Friday, April 29th.

And Terrebonne's skyline has changed forever.



St. Anthony of Padua has been a part of Terrebonne since Louis Cadieux donated 10 acres of land to build a church.

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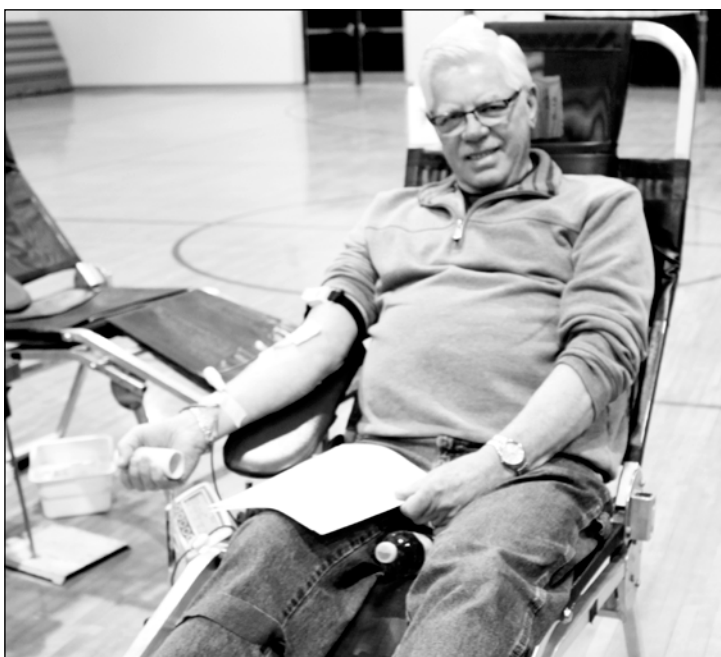
We would like to thank our customers and employees for another great year!

-Jeremy & Cathy

Clearbrook Blood Drive



Serving goodies at the blood drive were Sandy Knutson and Bev Shelquist.



Richard Sather at the blood drive.



Luci Thompson at the blood drive.



Cheryl Mollin at the blood drive.



Glen Nelson at the blood drive.



Larry Shelquist at the blood drive.



Phyllis Engen and Sybil Bergman register people at the blood drive.

Regional Ag News

Jim Stordahl, Extension Educator

A Bumper Crop of Pocket Gophers

As I drive around the region, I notice there seems to be a bumper crop of pocket gophers in the road ditches and hay fields. For anyone that produces alfalfa, one is always alert to these pesky critters that fashion dirt mounds creating another layer of difficulty for harvest. If you produce forage crops, the pocket gopher is your enemy.

Pocket gophers are burrowing rodents so named because they have fur-lined pouches outside of their mouth, one on each side of the face. These pouches, which are capable of being turned inside out, are used for carrying food. The forepaws are large-clawed and the lips close behind their large incisors, all marvelous adaptations to their underground existence.

Gophers have small external ears and small eyes. As sight and sound are severely limited, gophers are highly dependent on the sense of touch. The whiskers on their face are very sensitive to touch and assist pocket gophers while traveling about in their dark tunnels. The tail is sparsely haired and also serves as a sensory mechanism guiding gophers' backward movements. The tail is also important in thermoregulation, acting as a radiator.

Pocket gophers feed on plants in three ways: 1) they feed on roots that they encounter when digging; 2) they may go to the surface, venturing only a body length or so from their tunnel opening to feed on above ground vegetation; and 3) they pull vegetation into their tunnel from below. Pocket gophers eat forbs, grasses, shrubs, and trees.

Alfalfa and dandelions are some of the most preferred and nutritious foods for pocket gophers. Generally, they prefer perennial forbs, but they will also eat annual plants with fleshy underground storage structures. Plains pocket gophers consume primarily grasses, especially those with rhizomes, but they seem to prefer forbs when they are succulent in spring and summer. Wouldn't be nice if they would just eat the quack grass roots and leave everything else alone -- and didn't make mounds?

Portions of plants consumed also vary seasonally. Gophers utilize above-ground portions of vegetation mostly during the growing season, when the vegetation is green and succulent. Height and density of vegetation at this time of year

may also offer protection from predators, reducing the risk of short surface trips. Year-round, however, roots are the major food source. Many trees and shrubs are clipped just above ground level. This occurs principally during winter under snow cover. Seedlings also have their roots clipped by pocket gophers.

Damage caused by gophers includes destruction of underground utility cables and irrigation pipe, direct consumption and smothering of forage by earthen mounds, and change in species composition on rangelands by providing seedbeds (mounds) for invading weeds. Ever wonder why how those nasty weeds get started in the ditches? Gopher mounds are a perfect environment to get thistles during the previous summer.

Gophers damage trees by stem girdling and clipping, root pruning, and possibly root exposure caused by burrowing. Gopher mounds dull and plug sickles when harvesting hay or alfalfa, and soil brought to the surface as mounds is more likely to erode. In irrigated areas, gopher tunnels can channel water runoff, causing loss of surface irrigation water. Gopher tunnels in ditch banks and earthen dams can weaken these structures, causing water loss by seepage and piping through a bank or the complete loss or washout of a canal bank. The presence of gophers also increases the likelihood of badger activity, which can also cause considerable damage.

Next week, I share information on different control methods of this bothersome pest.

This information is adapted from Prevention and Control of Wildlife Damage. A publication from University of Nebraska Extension that is available at all of the finer Extension offices. For more information contact me at stordahl@umn.edu or 800-450-2465.

Cemetery clean-up planned Friday, May 6

Sextons of five area cemeteries are planning a clean-up day for Friday, May 6. Bring rakes, shovels, wheelbarrow etc. to start at 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

If you have any questions you can call the sextons of each cemetery for more information. Augustana, Brad Borene, Silver Creek, Tom Anderson, Greenwood, John Sandland, Seljord and Westby, Gordon Olson

Transportation funding needs to be discussed

THIEF RIVER FALLS, MN – The Association of Minnesota Counties is hosting a breakfast forum to discuss transportation needs and opportunities facing northwestern Minnesota. Many area county commissioners, mayors, county engineers, along with community leaders are expected to attend and participate.

WHO: County commissioners, local officials, and community leaders

WHERE: Pennington County Highway Department Meeting Room, 250 - 125th Ave NE, Thief River Falls

WHEN: Wednesday, May 4, 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM (meeting).

After the meeting, there will be opportunities for individual media availabilities to discuss:

- Association of Minnesota Counties 2016 legislative priorities regarding transportation funding
- Specific local transportation funding needs
- Specific transportation projects that could move forward sooner with new transportation funding
- Statewide transportation needs and projects requiring additional statewide transportation funding

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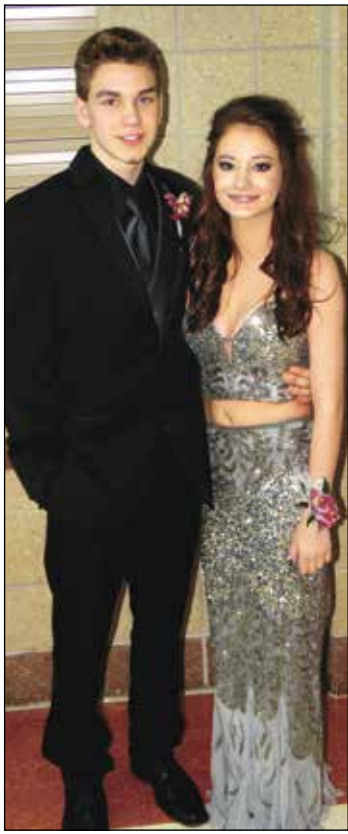
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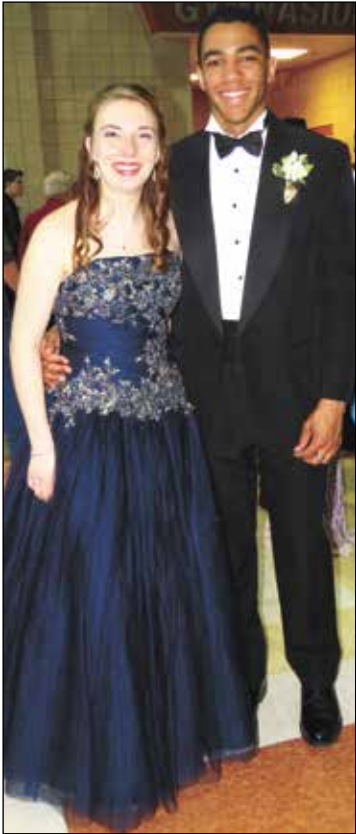
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Clearbrook-Gonvick 2016 prom



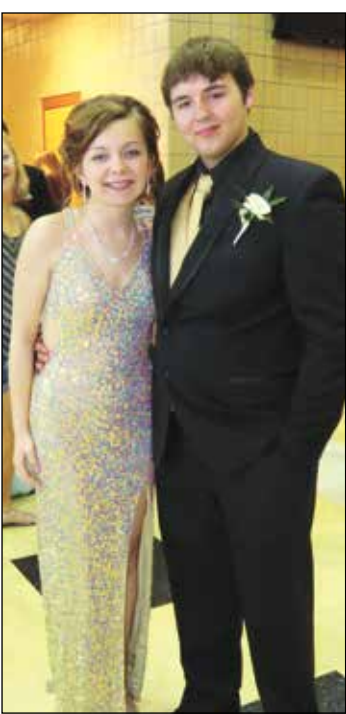
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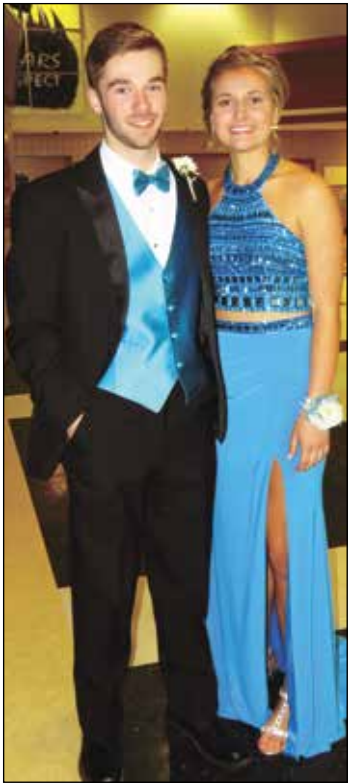
Clearbrook-Gonvick School prom was held with the Junior Class presenting "An Adventure in Wonderland." The Grand March was held at the school.

Sarah Goudge was the Red Queen and James Bettin was the Mad Hatter for event.

The prom participants were taken to Timbers in Bagley where they enjoyed a dinner.

The group was then transported by bus that was decorated for the prom by the bus driver to the school where they enjoyed an After Prom party.

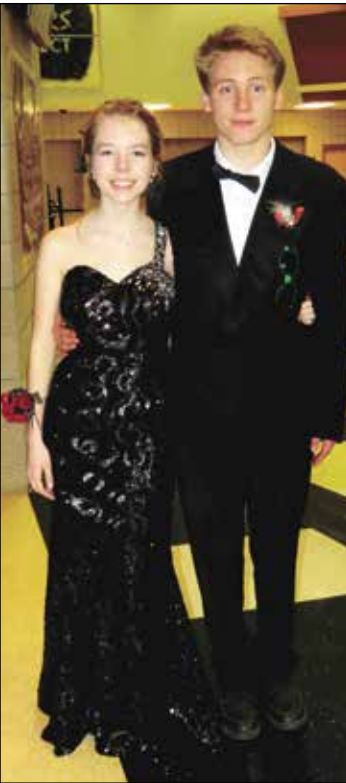
Many prizes were given to those who attended the annual event from many groups and business places.



Madison Stenzel and Samuel Lavin.



Blake Jones and Jasmin Molden.



Kendehl Ballard and Cameron Danielson.



Clearbrook-Gonvick Junior High Science winners. 1st: Jenna Smith & Naomi Shamp. Their projects was titled "What's Crack-A-Lackin'?"



Clearbrook-Gonvick Junior High Science winners. 2nd: Amara Churness & Bailey Klema. Their project was titled "Do Guinea Pigs prefer Fruits or Veggies?"



Clearbrook-Gonvick Junior High Science winners. 3rd: Raymond Elhers & Brandon Weems. Their project was titled "Fire!"



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