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Tamara Edevold – Keeper of Clearwater County History

By Karen Edelbach
Tamara Edevold was just 16 years old when she visited her first museum – the historic home of Marques DeMores in Medora, North Dakota. “I think I like this,” Tamara remembers saying to herself as she browsed through history and learned of the family that lived there. She was hooked on history from then on.

She went to college at Minnesota State University Moorhead and graduated with a BA in History, minoring in Archeology.

For seven seasons she was involved in archeological studies in the Red River Valley in North Dakota, along with her husband, Mark. She says that was one of the only times she used her archeology studies.

The other was one of her first jobs, which was to do a survey for Clearwater County of the archeology on Long Lost Lake Road in 1989. Findings were being collected by the History Center. The survey was of a CCC camp from the 1930s, as well as an 1890s logging camp; the largest logging camp in the area housing 300 men at the time.

That link is what got her started with the Clearwater County History Museum.

When they moved back to Bagley, the Historical Society had decided the museum needed a staff person. And Tamara fit the position. There was one catch.

“It was like running my own business,” Tamara recalls. “I had to raise the money for my own salary. We started with a budget of just \$5,000, and 18 members.”

She says they began reorga-

nizing, and in 1990 the County Board funded them for the first time since the 1980s.

“We are so lucky in our county to have such support. Some counties don’t get any county support. What Clearwater County gives covers about 20% of our expenses. Also our members help. We needed to raise \$12,000 to balance the budget this year. In two months after we put out the call, we received enough.”

The paperwork was signed in 1968 to start the History Museum in a small room behind where the dental office is currently located. In 1974, a building was obtained on the property where the Farmers Market operates.

With the United States Bicentennial Celebration in 1975-1976 a resurgence of nostalgic and historic interest brought in a lot of donations. By 1980 there were around 150 members. Now the Historical Society has 800 members, about 300 out of the county.

“We get support from all over the country,” Tamara says. “Six times a year the newsletter is sent out, that’s our signature. Many people join just to get the newsletter.”

“A definite highlight was when the History Museum moved over to Shevlin,” Tamara says. “We were just too crowded at the Bagley location and there was no storage. The old Shevlin School had been empty for three years, and was a good place for the museum; and with the grounds, gave us a place to put the Log School, Vern School, Log Cabin, replica of Emanuel Church, and other buildings. In 1994-95 the money was raised, time was

spent to do the work, and the move was made.

Tamara handles the membership, publishes the newsletter, plans and secures local and traveling exhibits, coordinates the work of the other staff and volunteers, helps families do research and genealogy and look for grave sites or photos.

She writes the grants to make sure all of the Historical Society projects get funded, especially from the Minnesota State Historical Society.

Last year they replaced the heating and air conditioning system with a \$40,000 grant. Another grant was used to purchase microfilm, on which to store newspapers. They also have an annual bake sale as a fund raiser.

“We change exhibits every year,” she says. “This year we currently have ‘The Home Place: Homesteading in Clearwater County’, and a Military Exhibit began recently.”

“Minnesota’s Historic Northwest”, a group that Tamara is part of, recently received a grant to build a traveling exhibit about the fur trade. The 12 northwest counties will share a \$94,000 grant for the project and will rotate their individual exhibits about fur trading for the next 15 years.

Next fall the history museum will also host a State Historical Society Traveling Exhibit on the fur trade. Some of the other Traveling Exhibits that Clearwater County has hosted are “Electrifying Minnesota” about electricity coming to Minnesota; “Minnesota on the Map – County Boundaries”; and “1968”, about what was going on then nationally, such as the Moon Walk, protests, and the Beetles.

The upstairs of the building contains archives, boxes storing historical treasures of many kinds. One held a uniform from the Weme Baseball Team, and another the tiny embroidered dresses from an infant that have been donated.

The museum conducted two cemetery inventories in the last dozen years, Tamara explains. The information can be located on the findagrave web site for Clearwater County. Carol Sundquist who volunteers at the museum spends time indexing obituaries for the county, back to the early 1900s.

“Obituaries weren’t as common until the ‘20s and ‘30s, and were very flowery and blunt then. For instance phrases like ‘Is no more’ followed the name of the deceased, or the death may be described by saying the person ‘dropped dead,’ with little history like they include today.”

Other positions at the museum include Millie Dickenson, who organizes photos and tours; Edna McKinley, in charge of the artifacts collections; and Jim Michel, who does research and maintenance.

There are five regular volunteers, and dozens of others who can be called on when needed for special projects.

Mark Edevold and Tamara Anderson were high school sweethearts. Mark graduated in 1977 and Tamara in 1978 from Bagley High School. They have been married for 38 years, with no kids, and two cats.

Mark is a Facilities Specialist with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. He oversees 600 structures, in a region that covers the northwest and west central part of the state.

A big annual event that Tamara coordinates is the First Lady of Clearwater County. Until 2006 this was done by the Tuesday Study Club, and the Gamma Upsilon Chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority before that.

She is also the coordinator for Northern Exposure to Lifelong Learning, which is a separate non-profit with a Board that helps with program suggestions. She organizes all of the programs.

“I love looking for, and telling the stories of the people who came here. It’s awesome to have the old stuff, but it’s about the people, the cool things the people did, and what these pioneers went through,” Tamara says. “This is such a great job!”

Thank you, Tamara Edevold, for being the keeper of Clearwater County history.



It takes several people to put on Santa Day activities in various towns. Bags that Santa gave out to the children who came to Gonvick were stuffed by Eileen Horn, Jaci Anderson, Stacy Halvorson and Evon Quern. They also did a lot of the planning for the event.



Helpers on Santa Claus Day in Clearbrook at the Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Center where free BBQ and other goodies were given to those who attended. From left to right: Lloyd Engen, Jim Shelquist, Duane Johnson, Lowell Stevens and Jim Chesley.



To the left are two of the many who helped set up events in Clearbrook for Santa Claus Day. From left to right: Clearbrook City Clerk Luci Thompson and Clearbrook City Maintenance Dan Johnson.

“Santa Day” in Leonard

Santa will be making a stop in Leonard on Saturday, December 10. He will be at the Leonard-Dudley Community Hall from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. He will be giving goody bags for the kids.



90 Popple Township residents petition County Board to protect their area foilage

By Karen Edelbach
The Clearwater County Board of Commissioners met for a third November meeting on November 29, 2016.

Popple Township Residents Request to Land Commissioner: Commissioner Arlen Syverson was contacted by a resident from the Lone Lake Drive area in Popple Township with a request (addressed to Land Commissioner Bruce Cox) signed by 90 petitioners of the area. It states in part:

“...residents of Clearwater County hereby ask for the county lands along, and adjacent to, Lone Lake Drive in Popple Township be classified as having visual quality of high concern and be considered ‘most sensitive’. It is our wish for the county’s visual sensitivity classification map to be updated to reflect our concern for the visual aesthetic quality of mixed hardwood forest that is enjoyed by all who make it a point to drive the Lone Lake Drive when enjoying the fall foilage.”

Commissioner Syverson said he was contacted because he represents their area, and

that they wanted him to present their request to the board. The matter was discussed with Commissioner Cox who was present, and left in his hands.

“I believe our Land Commissioner Bruce Cox will clean up the area to the best of his ability, and I hope that will satisfy them,” he said. “He is better able to make a wise decision regarding this matter.”

Commissioner Syverson said he thinks the Popple Township residents’ request is reasonable in not wanting the area to be desolated by loggers in order to clean up the area which was badly hit by the summer storms. The residents want the hardwoods and pines to be left in the area when any clearing is done.

Cox said it may be some time before the Land Department is able to deal with the matter, but he would look at it and do the best he can to manage it.

Sheriff Darin Halverson was authorized to execute the 2016 State of Minnesota Federal Boating Safety Supplemental Equipment Grant which is in the amount of \$13,000. He

said the grant had been applied for to purchase diving equipment and that there are four people certified to dive in the department. Wet suits, tanks and other equipment will be purchased with the funds.

Land Commissioner Bruce Cox and Nathan Nordlund, of the Soil and Water Conservation District brought a motion to approve the Land Commissioner to partner with the Clearwater County SWCD to conduct a County Lake Access Enhancement Project. This will address erosion issues at the 16 county managed boat landings.

“This is an opportunity to take our money and to expand it with the addition of \$22,750, and with that we will be able to do some good work and viable projects out there,” Commissioner Cox said.

The partnership will include a transfer of \$22,750 from the County Park System fund to the SWCD to receive a \$22,750 match from the Board of Water and Soil Resources as part of

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Tamara Edevold is in her 26th year as the Historical Society Executive Director. This is an area of the “1896 – The Home Place” display, which she and the museum staff designed and built, and is currently being featured at the History Museum in Shevlin. “I love telling the stories of the people,” she says. “The old stuff is awesome to have too, but it’s about the people and learning about their history.”



These dresses show the sophisticated design and handwork the women of the homesteading era used for some of their creations.



The newest addition to the History Center, a barn built with the generous donation Ed Roemer left to the museum in his will. A crew of many people helped to get it built.

Community Calendar

Elim Mission Friends meeting
Elim Mission Friends will have their Christmas Party on Thursday, Dec. 8 at 4 PM at Elim. There will be a short program and revealing of "secret sis" followed by a potluck supper. We will be packing goodie boxes for our nursing home friends and other individuals. Please bring goodies for the boxes and a dish for the potluck.

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Center

Upcoming December Events
Wed., Dec. 14 - Birthday Meal 11:30 am.
Tues., Dec. 20 - General Meeting at 12:30 p.m. Christmas Sing-a-long - snack potluck after meal at 11:30.
Wed. Dec. 21 - Christmas Meal 11:30 a.m.
Fri. Dec. 23 - Closed, Merry Christmas
Mon. Dec. 26 - Closed, Merry Christmas
Thurs. Dec. 29 - Early New Years Party at 11:30 a.m.
Fri. Dec. 30 - Closed Happy New Year 2017

Parents and Children 0-5 years of age are welcome to join The Clearbrook-Gonvick Early Childhood Programs for:

Holiday Fun Night

Decorations
Gingerbread Houses
Crafts
Ornaments
A Gift

Monday, Dec. 12, 2016
6:00-7:30 pm

Early Childhood Classrooms
(Clearbrook-Gonvick School - Door 18 - Room 223)

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Our Savior's Christmas Tea set for Sunday
You are invited to Our Savior's Christmas Tea on Sunday, December 11, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. Speaker will be Kimberle Nagle from Bemidji. "Gifts to Remember"
There will be Lunch, Special Music and Carol singing. Bring a mug filled with goodies for exchange.
PLAN TO ATTEND AND BRING A FRIEND

Santa Claus Day in Leonard
Saturday, Dec. 10
10 am - 12 pm

Goody bags for the kids at Leonard-Dudley Community Hall

Student recitals at Headwaters in Bemidji
The public is invited to student recitals at Headwaters School of Music & the Arts located at 519 Minnesota Ave. NW, Bemidji. Students ranging in age 5 to adult will play Christmas music as well as

Clearwater County Fair Calendar Winners
Nov. 26 - Helen Fredrickson, Bagley, \$20.
Nov. 27 - Dylan Larson, Clearbrook, \$20.
Nov. 28 - Lacy Kent, Bagley, \$20.
Nov. 29 - Lois Hole, Bagley, \$20.
Nov. 30 - Kim and Richard Netland, Bagley, \$20.
Dec. 1 - Phil Ehlke, Bemidji, \$20.
Dec. 2 - Brent Johnson, Oakes, ND, \$20.

Thank you to everyone who attended the memorial for Brian at Sinclair Cemetery, to those who sent cards or helped in any way. Thanks to Jeremy Davies for officiating, to Cease Family Funeral Home for their professional services. Thanks also to the Irvin Blix American Legion Post 16 of Bagley for providing military rites, and to the Leonard Cafe for staying open and providing cake and coffee to all.

The family of Brian Yepma

TRAIL STOP

Get out your snowmobiles and join the **Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club** with a TRAIL STOP northeast of Bagley in the school forest at the trail shelter.

January 21, 2017
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Stop by for some hot dogs, sloppy joes and hot chocolate, good times and warm fire.

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the Fiscal Year 2017 Matching Local Capacity Grant. The Board of Commissioners passed the motion.
Cox said he will be doing an assessment of the 16 sites in order to best prioritize which areas most need attention. Some potential areas mentioned were Bagley, Deep, Long, and Cox Lakes, LaSalle and Moose areas. Some projects may include adding rocks and more gravel.
Additional parking may be considered in some areas, however that is limited. He said many accesses were made when cars came with a boat strapped to the top. Now they may be towing a pontoon or boat 17 feet long.
Clearwater County Attorney's Office was given authorization to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Office of Justice Programs in the Minnesota Department of Public Safety.
Commissioners present at the meeting were Daniel Stenseng, Dean Newland, John Nelson, Neal Illies and Arlen Syverson.

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

PEARL HARBOR DAY: This Wednesday is December 7th. 75 years ago, then-President Franklin D. Roosevelt declared December 7, 1941, "a date which will live in infamy." On Sunday morning, December 7th 1941, a few minutes before 8 AM local time on a beautiful Hawaiian island, the first wave of Japanese airplanes left 6 aircraft carriers and struck Pearl Harbor. In two waves of terror lasting two long hours, they killed or wounded over 3,500 Americans and sank or badly damaged 18 ships - including all 8 battleships of the Pacific Fleet - and over 350 destroyed or damaged aircraft. At least 1,177 lives were lost when the Battleship U.S.S. Arizona exploded and subsequently sank. However, they did not sink any of our Pacific aircraft carriers and they left most of the fuel that was needed to win the war in the Pacific. In one stroke, the Japanese navy scored a brilliant success—and assured their ultimate defeat. The Japanese attack brought the United States into World War II on December 8th, a war the United State was determined to fight to the finish. http://pearlharbor.org/history-of-pearl-harbor.asp I welcome your own personal comments. Constructive feedback on your own behalf (not anonymous) to our Commissioners is also a valuable gauge of how this office can better serve all veterans and their beneficiaries. Office(218)694-6618; Cell/Text(218)556-5340 Hutch

Love Lights a Tree
Love Lights a Tree Memorials for week of 12-4
In memory of loved ones affected by cancer: Joanna Cairns, Jim Cairns, Donna Soderstrom, Carol Lindgren, from Steve and Penni Cairns.
In loving memory of Irene and Peter Henderson and Lilian and Hilburn Howard from Denise and Bob Howard.
In memory of Jim Millar, John Millar, and Shirley T. Beltz from Judy Millar and family.
In memory of Joan Stavig (Everhart) from Heidi Fry.
In remembrance of Catherine "Kathy" Anderson from Steve Anderson and Skyler LaFriniere.
For Love Lights a Tree: Mary Ellen Rosnow, Judy Olson, Johnny Plante, Eunice Qualley, Marlow Horn, Myrtle Berg, Ann Severson, and Todd Wagner from Peggy Rosnow
Thank you to Shirley Ortendahl and Delores Fredenburg for donations.
For a suggested donation of \$5.00 per name, the name of the donors and those being remembered will be listed in the Farmers Independent and the Leader Record each week until the end of December. Donations should be made to the American Cancer Society and sent to:
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Church News

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Bagley 218-694-6416
Pastor: Fr. John Melkies Suvakeen
Terri D. Parish sec.
Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM
Call for weekday Mass times.

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.

ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog
Wed., Dec. 7 - 5:30 p.m. Confirmation; 6:30 p.m. Youth Group, 7:30 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer.
Thurs., Dec. 8 - 4:00 p.m. Mission Friends Christmas Party. Potluck meal (entire family invited.)
Sun., Dec. 11 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.

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

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

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Verlyn Strenge
Assoc. Pastor Jim Galloway
Clearbrook
Wed., Dec. 7 - 6:30 p.m. Awa-na.
Sat., Dec. 10 - 7:00 a.m. Men's prayer breakfast and Bible Study at the church.
Sun., Dec. 11 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m.

Clearbrook-Leonard Senior Meals

Wed. Dec. 7 - Chili, Pears, Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, Apple Brown Betty, Milk.
Thurs. Dec. 8 - Pork Loin, Whole Potatoes, Buttered Cabbage, Dinner Roll, Fruit Crisp, Milk.
Fri. Dec. 9 - Tuna Noodle Hotdish, Mixed Vegetables, Bread, Pie, Milk.
Mon. Dec. 12 - Baked Chicken, Baked Potato/Sour Cream, Squash, Bread, Sherbert, Milk.
Tues. Dec. 13 - Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Carrots, Bread, Fruit Cobbler, Milk.
Wed. Dec. 14 - **Birthday Meal** - Lasagna, California Blend Veg., Peaches, Garlic Bread, Cookie, 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.

Clear Waters Life Center Happenings...

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CWLC-Clearbrook: 256 2nd Ave., SW. **Shop-at-the-Top** hours: Mon. - Fri., 10-4 and Sat., 10-3. **CWLC-Gonvick,** 226 Elm St, open Mon. thru Fri., 9-4 & Sat., 9-12: Create It! Art Studios and Restore It! Furniture Shop. Senior Connection, adult day services, is open M-W-F, 10-3
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Mon. Dec. 12: 7:00 p.m. Church Council.
Joint
Wed., Dec. 7: 6:00 p.m. Confirmation.
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Sun., Dec. 11: 9:45 a.m. Sunday School Christmas Program & Handbell Practice; 10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour; 11:00 a.m. Worship Service; 2:00 p.m. Christmas Tea.
Thurs., Dec. 15: 2:00 p.m. WELCA; 6:00 p.m. Church Council.

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Sun., Dec. 11 9:30 am Sunday School, 10:30 AM Worship Service, 2:00 p.m. Sunday School Christmas Program.
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Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed, Dec. 7: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.
Sat, Dec. 10: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, Dec. 11: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. St. Petri SS; 8:30 a.m. Oak Park SS, 9:45 a.m. Oak Park; 10:00 a.m. Nazareth SS, 11:00 a.m. Nazareth.
Wed, Dec. 14: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.

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Wed, Dec. 7: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Thu, Dec. 8: 12:00 p.m. Rotary meeting.
Fri, Dec. 9: Friday School.
Sun, Dec. 11: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:50 a.m. Sunday School.
Tues, Dec. 13: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Quilting.
Wed, Dec. 14: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
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Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, Dec. 11: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley. 2:00 p.m. Sand Valley SS Program.
Wed, Dec. 14: 2:00 p.m. Lund WELCA.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sun, Dec. 11: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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School News

Silent Auction in honor of “We Are Silent” campaign will be held until December 9. Students and staff will be allowed to place bids on items of their choosing and the highest bidder with the ability to purchase it on Friday will be able to take it home. Be on the look out for specialty food items, clothing, Granny Betty’s Mittens, blankets, jewelry and many more surprises. Looks to be a fun week while creating awareness of the various causes our students are passionate about. All proceeds will go to iMPACT which supports local and global causes.

CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE until Dec. 20. Please bring gifts to the school and drop them off in the Christmas box next to the tree in the commons. **THANK YOU** for continuing to give to others in our communities. All gifts will stay in Clearwater County. **THANK YOU** for thinking of others and teaching your children to give back.

The 1st grade interviews will start Monday, Dec. 5th and run thru Friday, Dec. 16th weekdays on 96.7 FM KKCQ at 9:10am and 2:10pm -- three kids per airing.

Early Childhood Special Event: Holiday Fun Night: December 12.

Christmas Concerts:
Elementary Christmas Con-

cert (K-3): Tuesday, December 13 @6:30 p.m.

JH/HS Christmas Concert: Monday, December 19 @ 6:30 p.m.

Come share the spirit of Christmas with music!!!!
Everyone welcome!

Knowledge Bowl Rehearsals are Tuesdays during first lunch/Thursdays 7:45am-8:15am in Mr. Carter’s room.

Position Opening
Position: Extended Day Program Para

Address Letter of Interest: Jeff Burgess, Principal, Email: jburgess@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us

Application Submission: Please send or e-mail your letter of application to Jeff Burgess.

Application Deadline: ASAP or until filled.

Dates: Jan 3rd to end of school year.

Job Description: The Extended Day program para would be responsible for the extended day program. Duties include: program planning, student supervision, and communication with parents. Hours would be from 3:00-5:30 p.m. The program provides after school supervision for students K-4.

The Bear Boosters will be having a meeting December 14th at 5:30 pm in the school commons. If you are free please

join us.

COUNSELORS CORNER:
Megan Godtland is the full time school counselor.

Scholarship information, college/career recruiters visiting the school, and other important information and events can be found on the counseling web page

http://www.clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us/vnews/display.v/SEC/High%20School%7CSchool%20Counselor

Follow me on twitter! @CounselorMeganG

Get up to date information over the school year including scholarships, financial aid, tips, college representatives, career fairs, articles, and etc.

Also I have created an Instagram account under the name counselormegang

Quote of the week
“Don’t let silly little things steal your happiness.”

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:
Thur, Dec 8: BBB at Northland Tournament. Varsity only, Times TBD

Thur, Dec 8: JH BBB vs Fosston at CG. (CCC) 7th at 4:30, 8th at 5:30

Thur, Dec 8: GBB vs Mahnomen at CG. JV at 6:00, Varsity at 7:30

Fri, Dec 9: BBB at Northland Tournament. Varsity only, Times TBD

Fri, Dec 9: GBB vs Nevis at CG. JV at 6:00, Varsity at 7:30

Fri, Dec 9: JH GBB vs Nevis at CG. (CCC) 7th at 5:00, 8th at 6:00

SPOTLIGHT
December Spotlight
Elementary Students of the Month



December Elementary Students of the Month. Pictured in back: Alex Churness, Ashlyn Churness, Jacob Anderson. Pictured in Front: Hailey Sundquist, Kaitlyn Kumpula, Molly Nelson, Niah Knutson-Willett.

Name: Niah Knutson-Willett, Kindergarten

Parents: Marni and Jeremiah

Comments: Niah is a hard little worker that always has a smile to share. She is a good friend and loves her cousins! Niah works hard in class every day to complete all her work and is always willing to help others. She is always ready to answer a question and comment on our

conversation. Way to go Niah!

Student: Hailey Sundquist, Grade 1

Parents: Joey and Olivia Sundquist

Siblings: Dawson

Comments: Hailey comes to school each day with a positive attitude and prepared to start her day. She works independently in all the subject areas. Her work is always well done and neat. She offers great comments during classroom discussions. She is very creative. Congratulations Hailey! Keep up the good work.

Student: Molly Nelson, Grade 2

Parents: Ben and Jill Nelson

Siblings: One sister, Maddy

Comments: Molly comes to school each day with a smile on her face and ready to go! She is working hard in all of her subjects. She really takes pride in all of her work and makes sure they are done correctly. Molly is very helpful to all of her classmates and is a GREAT friend. All students feel comfortable working with her because she is pleasant, polite, fun to be with, helpful and encouraging. Congratulations Molly on being chosen as Student of the Month! I’m very proud of you!!!

Student: Kaitlyn Kumpula, Grade 3

Parents: James & Krystal Kumpula

Siblings: Savannah & Jacob

Comments: Kaitlyn is our student of the month. Even though her voice is soft her kindness is loud and clear to her classmates. She is always a good

friend and treats everyone with respect. She works very hard and completes work on time. Her confidence is clear when she shares ideas in class discussions. I am

Students...

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Hailey Sundquist receiving her award from Principal Jeff Burgess.

Clearbrook-Gonvick
School Menu

Wed. Dec. 7 - Chili, Breadstick, Fritos, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Thurs. Dec. 8 - Shrimp Poppers, Mac and Cheese, Cole-slaw, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Fri. Dec. 9 - Cheese Pizza, Green Beans, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Mon. Dec. 12 - Turkey Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, California Medley WG, Bread, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Tues. Dec. 13 - Taco Salad, WG Tortilla Chips, Refried-Beans, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

Wed. Dec. 14 - Spaghetti, WG Breadstick, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices, Milk.

National Honor
Society Induction
Ceremony held

The Clearbrook-Gonvick National Honor Society held an induction ceremony at the school on Wednesday, November 30.

Ten new members were inducted including Kendall Ballard, Morgan Cornell, Cassandra Faldet, Madelynne Faldet, Brynn Hetland, Cami Johnson, Mikala Johnson, Adriana Churness, Ethan Dorman and Jayce Tronnes. They were introduced by Sarah Goudge and Principal Jeff Burgess.

The welcome was given by Sarah Goudge with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Superintendent Wayne Olson.

Recognition of the present National Honor Society members was given by Sarah Goudge. Last years members include Alison Johnson, Carlie Bergerson and Elizabeth Bodensteiner.

Each participant received a rose. New members received a white rose which is symbolic of purity and truth from which comes character.

Present members received a red rose which is symbolic of courage, loyalty and service.

Faculty members receive a pink rose that is symbolic of wisdom and the value of scholarship and given in appreciation.

The National Honor Society (NHS) is a nationwide organization in the United States with many chapters in high schools. Selection is based on four criteria: scholarship, leadership, service, and character. The National Honor Society might require some sort of service to the community, school, or other organizations. The time spent working on these projects contributes towards the monthly service hour requirement.

Minnesota Department of Education		Division of School Finance 1500 Highway 36 West Roseville, MN 55113-4266		DISTRICT REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES BUDGET FOR FY 2016 AND FY 2017			ED-00110-39	
GENERAL INFORMATION: Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.10, requires that every school board shall publish the subject data of this report.								
District Name: Clearbrook-Gonvick						District Number: 2311		
FUND	FY 2016 BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	FY 2016 ACTUAL REVENUES AND TRANSFERS IN	FY 2016 ACTUAL EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS OUT	JUNE 30, 2016 ACTUAL FUND BALANCES	FY 2017 BUDGET REVENUES AND TRANSFERS IN	FY 2017 BUDGET EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS OUT	JUNE 30, 2017 PROJECTED FUND BALANCES	
General Fund/Restricted	\$ 93,310	\$ 181,956	\$ 165,218	\$ 110,048	\$ 146,889	\$ 68,100	\$ 188,837	
General Fund/Other	\$ 149,868	\$ 4,991,529	\$ 4,586,823	\$ 554,574	\$ 5,121,515	\$ 4,858,900	\$ 817,189	
Food Service Fund	\$ 33,204	\$ 322,231	\$ 320,436	\$ 34,999	\$ 320,000	\$ 321,000	\$ 33,999	
Community Service Fund	\$ (64,936)	\$ 207,115	\$ 173,356	\$ (31,177)	\$ 140,000	\$ 187,450	\$ (78,627)	
Building Construction Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Debt Service Fund	\$ 164,030	\$ 832,075	\$ 824,789	\$ 171,316	\$ 825,000	\$ 825,000	\$ 171,316	
Trust Fund	\$ 20,481	\$ 13,061	\$ 12,250	\$ 21,292	\$ 7,010	\$ -	\$ 28,302	
Internal Service Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
* OPEB Revocable Trust Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
OPEB Irrevocable Trust Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
OPEB Debt Service Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$ 395,957	\$ 6,547,967	\$ 6,082,872	\$ 861,052	\$ 6,560,414	\$ 6,260,450	\$ 1,161,016	
LONG-TERM DEBT	\$ -		CURRENT STATUTORY OPERATING DEBT PER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 1238.81					
Outstanding July 1, 2015	\$ 5,010,000		AMOUNT OF GENERAL FUND DEFICIT, IF ANY, IN EXCESS OF 2.5% OF EXPENDITURES 06/30/2016				\$ -	
Plus: New Issues	\$ -		COST PER STUDENT - AVERAGE DAILY MEMBERSHIP (ADM) 06/30/2016					
Less: Redeemed Issues	\$ 630,000		TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES				\$ 5,115,629.22	
Outstanding June 30, 2016	\$ 4,380,000		FY 2016 TOTAL ADM SERVED + TUITIONED OUT ADM + ADJUSTED EXTENDED ADM				425.90	
SHORT-TERM DEBT			FY 2016 OPERATING COST PER ADM				\$ 12,011.34	
The complete budget may be inspected upon request to the superintendent.								
Comments:								
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* Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)								



The Clearbrook-Gonvick National Honor Society held their induction ceremony. Back row left to right: Madelynne Faldet, Cassandra Faldet, Brynn Hetland, Mikala Johnson, Morgan Cornell, Jacey Tronnes. Front row: Cami Johnson, Carlie Bergerson, Alison Johnson, Elizabeth Bodensteiner, Kendahl Ballard, Adriana Churness and Ethan Dorman. -Photo courtesy Joan Higdem.

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Corrine's Corner

By Corrine Richards

Our Savior's Christmas Tea in Leonard will be on Sunday, December 11,2016 at 2:00 p.m. Speaker will be Kimberle Nagle from Bemidji. "Gifts to Remember". There will be Lunch, Special Music and Carol singing. Bring a mug filled with goodies for exchange.

The Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club, is having a Christmas Dinner/Meeting for all members on Thursday, December 15th at Fireside Grill & Patio in Bagley with social hour at 6 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm with the meeting to follow.

This dinner is free to all club members and we will also have door prizes. If you would like to attend, please RSVP Sharon Dyrdaahl-O'Bryan by December 11th at 218-694-2150.

The Holiday Train will be arriving in Plummer on Monday, December 12 about 6:00 p.m. The Plummer community will also have hay rides beginning at 4:00 p.m. and Inter-County Council will be serving hotdogs and chili at the Plummer Community Hall. Food Shelf donations will be accept-

ed at the Tri Rivers Museum and at the Plummer Community Hall.

The Clearbrook American Legion will be having their annual lutefish and meatball supper on Saturday, December 17. They will be serving starting at 4:30 until it is gone. It will be in the banquet room at the Clearbrook Community Center.

The Gerald Dyrdaahl Memorial Pine Lake 200 Snowmobile Race will be held on beautiful Pine Lake on Saturday, January 7 and Sunday January 8. Races start at 9:00 a.m. both days. The races will depend on ice conditions with an alternate date that would be announced if necessary.

Lakeland Public Television Highlights for Wednesday, December 7 - 7pm Phyllis McGuire, Nick Clooney and Pat Boone host this nostalgic trip back to the 1950s. The program's mix of live performance and archival footage takes viewers back to the era's pop music days with classic moments from Patti Page, Perry

Como, Debbie Reynolds, the McGuire Sisters and more.

Joke time...
LITTLE OLE had been misbehaving and was sent to his room. After a while he emerged and informed his mother that he had thought it over and then said a prayer.

"Fine," said Lena, his pleased mother. "If you ask God to help you not to misbehave, he will help you."

"Oh, I didn't ask him to help me not to misbehave," said Johnny. "I asked him to help you put up with me."

Letter to the Editor

"SHELLSHOCKED IN CLEARWATER COUNTY"

What do the terms Shell Shock, PTSD and Elderly Abuse have in common here in Clearwater County? Might one believe it could possibly be the actions of some of our current Law enforcement personnel?

To be clear, I have always been fully supportive of all Law Enforcement and do highly value and respect their constant great and difficult efforts in dealing with all of our society's problems. However, we constantly hear of the need for Sensitivity Training for all Law enforcement personnel as it relates to Ethnic sensibilities. Perhaps there also needs to be training required for dealing with and identifying those older individuals who have and continue to live with and suffer from "Shell Shock", now known as PTSD.

The term Shell Shocked was used to describe a condition associated with returning GI's from the 1st World War and all subsequent wars such as the 2nd World War, which by law was the last official war declared then there is Korean War and yes even up to and including the Vietnam War, this term was for those who suffered from certain terrible and haunting aspects of their war experience upon returning home.

There were no established real treatments afforded to all these returning veterans, neither by the Veterans Administration, nor our society as a whole.

Rather there was only this gruff advice offered. "GET OVER IT! " Move on, get a job, go back to work and so on. Now looking back we have finally realized there has been and continues to be these real problems with many of our returning veterans. Unfortunately many of these Vets have turned to alcohol and drug use in their many failed attempts to ward off those Demons, for which they are constantly fighting and sadly many others have taken their own lives as a result. Only those individuals who have witnessed and participated in war and all of the horrors that it creates first hand can honestly comprehend and relate to this situation which has affected our veterans.

I believe that all of those affected Doughboys of WW1 have by now passed away, and our WW2 Veterans are in fact nearly all but gone. But there are still all of those who served and fought in Korea, and Viet Nam, who still suffer from what as they were told is simply "Shell Shock, and to get over it, really? Now nearly "50 years" later finally our society, both the medical and private sector, have recognized and given a Clinical name to this condition, hence PTSD. This condition is identified accurately as "Post Traumatic Stress Disorder". Now there are many types of treatments that are being implemented to treat this condition for our recently returning veterans from our so called wars or conflicts

in the Middle East.

However, what about those vets who have had to suffer with and continue to live with this condition for fifty years? Most are now in the twilight of their lives and are 70 years of age or older, and yet have somehow managed to survive and actually contribute to our society. These elderly veterans deserve not only our full respect, and support but also I believe our continued understanding and compassion.

Many of these elderly veterans throughout their lives have suffered, they have lost loved ones, have found it sometimes difficult to retain a job, and many have continued to suffer from many other illnesses due to their wounds from battle, be they physical or emotional not to mention the many cancerous and other health problems many have suffered, from of the use of that chemical cocktail known as "Agent Orange" those chemical used in Vietnam to clear sites for Helicopter landing zones and jungle bases. I offer now for your consideration, a currently true and sadly ongoing story of one such individual who is also a life long resident of Clearwater County. He is a distinguished Vietnam Veteran and a victim I believe of PTSD. Who is now once again suffering as the victim of our local legal system? This is a gentleman who is 72 years old; he has had and is still battling many illnesses such as Cancer. I know this veteran has in the past been told he had "Shell Shock" and to get over it! He is my friend, my neighbor and my respected former airman.

As a young man, as were most who were called up to serve in the war effort in Vietnam, this man gallantly served in the US Army Air Corps as a helicopter Crew Chief. That position was one of the most critically intense and stressful jobs, both technically as well as life threatening. Next to those airmen who were the pilots of these helicopters, these men also had one of the shortest combat life expectancy rates of any air crews during the Vietnam War.

Not only was he personally responsible for the aircraft and its required maintenance for combat air worthiness he also served as one of the ships door gunners. This is that guy some of you may recall having seen pictures of them hanging out the door of the helicopter by a harness and firing the machine gun. His duties were not only to protect the aircraft, but to return enemy fire so that the aircraft could make landings and takeoffs from many hot LZ's, both he and the pilot were the enemy's constant first targets. The missions could be as simple as troop movement or bringing in critical supplies. But one of the most common activities in the early days of the war was the installation of bladder tanks, spray wands and the pumps along with those chemical liquids for the Agent Orange defoliate operations. Never to this day were the dangers of contact with these chemicals explained to the crews of those aircraft.

Additionally there were all the other related combat roles, acting as a support gunship for ground forces, hot LZ troop drops and pickups and many related supply drops. Often the most difficult of missions were all those critical medivac flights, where the human carnage of war was physically picked up and handled by these very men as the dead and wounded were recovered and flown back. Those were the flights where these men such as my friend, literally held in their hands the screaming and crying badly wounded, and also sadly all of the dead.

It needs to be known by you the reader that through out

that campaign our military provided to all of our troops in the field not only cigarettes but also with beer and other alcohol to "Help with the Stress" that was placed constantly upon them. One of the most common were large containers full of Beer, and yes Hamm's from the land of sky blue waters, was a principle brand. For whatever reason it was the one brand that when drank as most were often warm, still tasted okay. This fact I believe certainly caused many young men to become addicted to alcohol which had provided them a slight relief of stress from its consumption.

This then young man, who beat the odds and survived, came back home to Clearwater County, he worked for many years as a snowplow and gravel truck driver for the government and also he farmed, he has operated all sorts of heavy equipment, I personally think he could operate almost any type of equipment.

Sadly, for some relief from the constant and awful dreams and the many bad memories that my friend continues to suffer and live with as his Demons, he has sadly relied upon his old friend Hamm's beer, when ever he needed some form of stress relief and comfort. I want to state the following prior to telling the rest of this true story. My friend has never been involved in any motor vehicle accidents; he did as a snowplow driver during horrific weather conditions in past years slide into the ditch with his plow truck once or twice, but never caused any personal or property damages, ever.

Upon losing his wife first for personal reasons and I believe as product of his PTSD, and when later her early death placed additional stress on this man, she was the love of his life. This is a man whose children to this day stand by him and love and respect him.

The addiction to Hamm's, and only Hamm's, has caused him to fall afoul of the system. He has received, over the years, DUI's from our local Law enforcement agencies, and has lost his driving privileges, not to mention several cars and thousands of dollars in fines, and court costs to the County.

Most of us North of Radar Hill know who this quiet man is and he is not a dangerous criminal who needs to be hunted down. He has battled Cancer, high blood pressure, as well as other physical ailments and most of all, I believe, serious PTSD. Now once again he has to face the local authorities for driving without a license. Remember, this man lives by himself with his little dog in the country and not in town.

I am compelled to write this letter to the Editor after learning of the methods employed by our Sheriff's Deputy in this latest arrest of my neighbor. Here is why I am so concerned and honestly dismayed, true he did drive after having lost his privileges however, the way in which this arrest happened makes me wonder.

Perhaps all our Deputies and the Sheriff himself would benefit from some "Sensibility Training". Not only to deal with ethnic concerns, but also for our Senior Citizens who are actually ill and quite fragile, those that require understanding and compassion as opposed to damaging incarceration, and all the related trauma,these sad and ill elderly people are having their lives further destroyed by those who's efforts seem to attach more importance and value to making their quota for arrests, or building there own reputations perhaps, how sad.

The manner in which this recent arrest was made should and needs to be made Public. The following is, based on first hand interviews with this vet-

eran and others.

These are the facts as stated to me by my friend and neighbor, who I fully believe and also seen within the deputy's own report as viewed by his daughter, also a conversation I had with a county nurse. This deputy who has on occasion has been overheard by Clearwater County Nursing staff when doing Jail duties, as boasting about how he has the best techniques for getting DUI arrests and rather enjoys that aspect of the job.

A new terminology to me is this method called Posting on an individual, and it is used by some in Law enforcement agencies to apprehend serious and potentially violent criminals. It involves the setting of a surveillance trap by the officers or with the use of snitches to identify the individual's location in order to affect a capture and arrest. This tactic may be appropriate for serious criminals, but in this instance it appears to be a serious over reach.

Not only are the Deputies involved, they have also have enlisted the local DNR agent to serve as back up to their Posting operations. In this case by setting up a DNR officer at the individual's residence, So that once put into motion this Posting operation could in fact retain the subject at their home should the deputy fail to retain them himself, quite interesting, since we certainly have more than one Deputy up here in Clearbrook. Also interesting is forcing that individual caught up in this Posting arrest, to perform the breathalyzer test repeatedly even after the individual tests legal under the .08 standard for DUI, in this particular case four times I am told, and when not found to be in violation of that law, the deputy then asserted the charge of Fleeing a Police Officer.

Most of us locally know this elderly man, he went to get a hamburger, and he did drink a Hamm's beer with it. He was actively targeted as the object of this Posting arrest. He was not found to be legally drunk, as for the Fleeing an Officer charge, I personally find that extremely hard to believe. Please ask anyone who has ever seen him driving, he never exceeds the posted speed limits, in fact perhaps the opposite is more factual. This certainly sounds, looks and smells like a very bad case of entrapment, plain and simple.

What ever happened to granting Respect for all our elderly and affording some respect for all our Veterans and especially those who are serious ill? I remember the days we as citizens and neighbors and I believe most decent local Law enforcement officers, would simply take their keys and then drive them home.

Perhaps all those monies for the courts and those prison arrest records, for some, appear to be more important now.

As Christians we are taught to show Compassion and forgiveness, to render help when needed and to respect all our elderly, and especially our veterans and finally to standup and protect our neighbors and friends not to destroy what is left of their fragile lives.

I now realize this is not the conduct or actions that some have chosen to practice. Especially given that there are some who apparently enjoy and need to take such actions. We will all soon celebrate Christmas, and may God forgive all of you who practice and live that way. Myself, I am really still trying to do so. Our law enforcements mission is to "Protect and Serve", seriously? Are we all now to just "GET OVER IT"? Sorry I personally can not, this time.

John W. Brenton Sr.
Clearbrook,Minn.

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Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club Prepares for another Winter Season

Although astronomical winter doesn't begin until Dec. 21, the snowmobile trails could open Dec. 1 and the Clearwater Trail Blazers are busy making preparations. As we have mentioned in the past, our trails are open when they have been groomed once.

We maintain 193 miles of trail, part of nearly 18,000 miles of local trails throughout Minnesota. When you add in the 2,000 plus miles of state-owned and maintained trails you have one of the finest interconnected snowmobile trail systems in the country.

The state has a corridor trail system that will allow snowmobilers to travel throughout the state without having to rely on local trail maps every time they leave one trail system and enter another. This will allow those who want to spend several days traveling the state on snowmobile to do so safely.

The Clearwater Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club is always on the lookout for new members and if you ride the trails, be sure to join and support the club. We welcome anyone new to the area or new to snowmobiling to join also. Single members (18 and over) \$30, Family \$40, and Associates/Businesses, \$75. The club address is: PO Box 473, Bagley, MN 56621, if anyone has any questions or concerns for the club.

If you would like to be a part of the club, we are having a Christmas Dinner/Meeting for all members on Thursday, December 15th at Fireside Grill & Patio in Bagley with social hour at 6 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm with the meeting to follow.

This dinner is free to all club members and we will also have door prizes. If you would like to attend, please RSVP Sharon Dyrdaahl-O'Bryan by December 11th at 218-694-2150.

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The Christmas Tea was held at the Northern State Bank in Gonvick on Friday, December 2. Eileen Horn and Dianne Godtland served the goodies to those who came into the bank. Shown with the two is one of the families that came to the bank. Marion Evje, Melanie TeHennepe, Luke TeHennepe and Keith Evje. Christmas Tea Winners were: Adults: Lila Coulter and Antoine Bellanger; Teens: Carlie Bergerson and Matthew Forsberg and Kids: Zoe Burman and Chase Wegscheid.

The faithful bus drivers who transport the Clearbrook-Gonvick students to school every morning and home again in the evening. From left to right: Jerry Gerlofs, Deb Stein, Kristen Edgell, Alissa Preuss, Amata Molnar, Scott Bakke, Jerry Stein, Trent Edgell and Verlyn Streng. The bus line is owned by Jerry and Deb Stein. Not pictured are substitute drivers Norman Hendrickson and Marvin Berg and Glen Trembath who takes the special trips.



Clearbrook High school class of 1971 celebrated their 49th year at a recent gathering in Clearbrook. Standing from left to right: Roger Whealy, Karen Knutson, Keith Cook, Becky Johnson, Lurae Hagen, Judi Shellum, Kathy Djernes, Dennis Engebretson, Bob Garland and Darrell Johnson, and Danny Erickson. Seated: Judy Anderson, Betty Olson, Karen Randklev.

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