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Bagley Elementary & High School students participated in a Pow Wow at the Clearwater County Fairgrounds last Friday.

Dear Educators,
THANK YOU
for going above and beyond for our students.

May 8-12 is National Teacher Appreciation Week

Bagley Fire Department and DNR save home from grass fire



On Thursday, May 4 the MN DNR requested the assistance of the Bagley Fire Department to contain a grass fire near the intersection of 161st Ave and 310th St in Falk township.



The grass fire reached the pine trees next to the home and the trees caught on fire, but the Bagley Fire Department was able to contain the fire and save the home from damage.

Bagley Fire Department responds to natural gas leak

On Monday, May 8, the Bagley Fire Department was called to the 200 block of Getchell Ave (north of the

Post Office) to assist with containing a natural gas leak. The leak was caused by a company digging in the area

and hitting the gas line. No injuries or property damage was reported.



Gladys Lueken & Tamara Edevold

Gladys Lueken named First Lady of Clearwater County

By Pamela Hagen French

The Clearwater County Historical Society hosted its 2023 Clearwater County First Lady award event at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 6th at Good Shepard Lutheran Church in Clearbrook, MN. There were 8 nominations. The winner was revealed in a story Tamara Edevold shared, little by little. Of the more than 60 in attendance, only two people knew who would be announced as the First Lady of Clearwater County for 2023.

Since 1977, forty-three women in Clearwater County have been recognized for their accomplishments, either for their service in a variety of community projects and organizations or for success in their careers. Along with Gladys Lueken, fourteen past Ladies of Clearwater County were on hand to celebrate. There are twenty-one ladies surviving today.

As part of National Women's

First Lady
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News Bytes

Sons of Norway, Granlund Lodge #240

The Sons of Norway, Granlund Lodge #240 will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, May 11, at the Embassy Community Center in Fosston. The meeting will begin at 6:30 followed by the traditional Norwegian Syttende Mai lunch in Norway, which consists of gourmet hotdogs and ice cream. The program for the evening features Dorothy Hoover from Detroit Lakes, who will speak about her experiences during her recent African Safari. All events are free and open to the public. Mark your calendar for Thursday evening, May 11, for the Sons of Norway event at the Embassy Center, beginning at 6:30.

Bag Sale and Caramel Rolls at the Bagley Senior Center

The popular \$3 bag sale will run May 15 – 19 at the Bagley Senior Center Thrift Room. The hours will be 10 am to 2 pm each day. The Thrift Room and Craft Rooms will also be open from 9 am to 1 pm during the City-Wide Rummage Sale on May 20th. Caramel rolls will also be for sale on May 20th.

NW Minnesota food pack

This annual event will be held May 16 & 17 at the hockey arena. Approximately 1,000 volunteers will be needed to package more than 100,000 meals. Donations pay for the \$0.25 meals. To donate or volunteer, call (218) 533-6029. Volunteers are needed for the set-up shift, one or more of the 2-hour packing shifts, and the cleanup shift. Volunteers will receive training prior to each shift and can be done by almost anyone. Last year, there were elementary and high school students from around the area, senior citizens, service clubs, churches and many more that all pitched in to make this a successful event. It's fun and a great way to help other people.

MCCL meeting

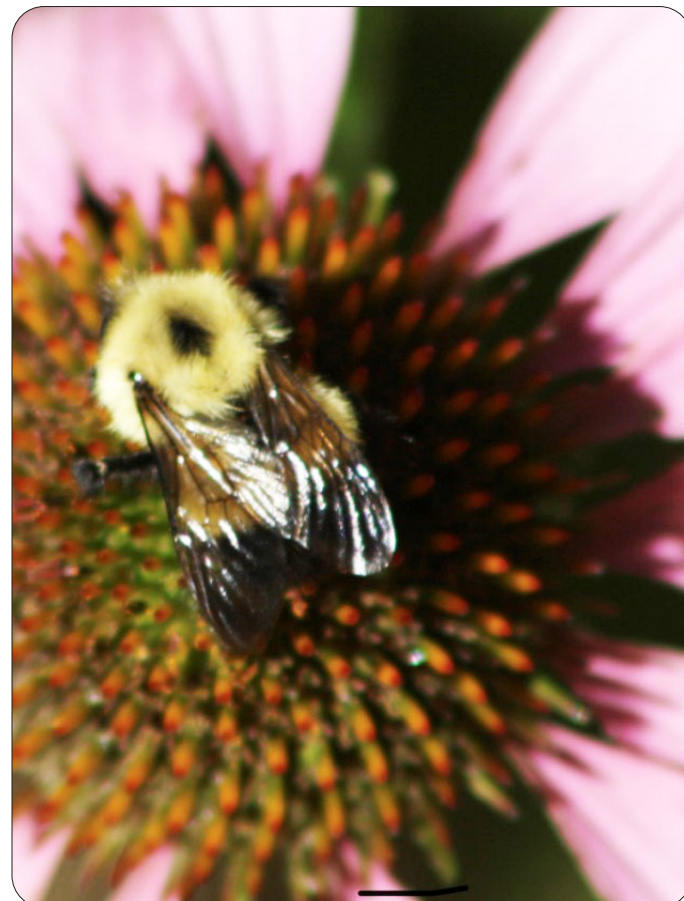
The monthly meeting of the local Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life Chapter #45 will be held on Thursday, May 18 at 7 p.m. at Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church in McIntosh. All who are interested in pro-life issues are invited to attend. For more information about the Chapter, contact Eileen Hegg at 218-563-3152.

Shevlin Garden Club Plant Sale

The Shevlin Garden Club's annual plant sale is Saturday, May 20, 2023, from 9:00 am to Noon in the Horticulture Building at the Clearwater County Fairgrounds. Some of the plants for sale include perennial plants specifically useful for monarch butterflies (including several types of milkweed), other butterflies (including 2 kinds of coneflower, aster, wild lupine, and 2 kinds of blazing star), and for bees (anise hyssop, blue wild indigo, prairie smoke, purple prairie clover, and mountain mint).

News Bytes

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NELL May 17: Planting for pollinators and wildlife

By Pamela Hagen French

On May 17, at 9:30 am, local avid gardener and Shevlin Garden Club officer, Connie Nunemaker will present "Planting For Pollinators and Wildlife" She will present at Our Saviors Church at Ebro Corner, located just off Hwy 2 on County Rd 7 (36044 County Rd 7). See NELL signs. Doors open at 9:00am. Light refreshments will be served.

Connie Nunemaker has always loved being in nature, from family camping trips out west as a little girl, where she studied nature identification

guides her father provided to figure out what rocks, plants, and animals she saw, to majoring in Biology in college, to planting a riot of flowers in a clearing in the woods next to the home to which she and her husband retired. She taught Science and Art for 21 years in Ohio before retiring to the woods in northern Minnesota, Connie often shares the bounty of her gardens with fellow Shevlin Garden Club members, friends, and family. Connie is also a violinist in the Bemidji Orchestra. Amazing talent!

If you see news happening, send a text message to (218) 979-4653 with the details.

Obituaries

Karen Osborn

December 19, 1943 - January 20, 2023

We will be having Karen's burial at 10:30 am on May 19, 2023, at the Debs Cemetery, with a celebration of life to follow at the Roosevelt Town Hall in Debs.

Karen worked as a CNA at Greensview Nursing Home and on October 31, 1972, married Leroy Bohlman where they raised their family and cows on the Bohlman farmstead in Debs, MN. She loved taking care of the seniors and cooking for them was her passion. She cooked at the Clearbrook Senior Center before retiring. Then her true passion for making tasty donuts began. Giving her the nickname "The Donut Lady."

She loved doing crafts and

mowing her many acres of lawn. Nobody could mow it as well as she could. She enjoyed playing cards with friends and in her younger years could dance circles around anybody on her roller skates.

She is survived by her two sons Dominick Bahr and William Bohlman; two daughters Robin (William) Masterson and Darla Bohlman; eight grandchildren; numerous great grandchildren and her special sister Kathy (Lanny) Cox.

She is preceded in death by her parents William and Faye Osborn; sister Zola Peterson; husband Leroy Bohlman and son Lance Bohlman.

Shevlin Garden Club Annual Plant Sale



Saturday, May 20
9 am to 12 pm
Horticulture Building
Clearwater Co. Fairgrounds

Memorial Service



There will be a memorial service for Daryl "Bucky" Hinrichs of Shevlin, MN who passed away at home, November 20, 2022, at the age of 83.

The service will be held May 20, 2023, at the middle shelter of the Bagley City Park at 11:00 a.m.

Moments in Time

The History Channel

On **May 27, 1679**, the Habeas Corpus Act passed, strengthening an individual's right to contest unlawful arrest and imprisonment. The act is considered one of the most important rulings in English constitutional history.

On **May 24, 1887**, President Chester A. Arthur and New York Gov. Grover Cleveland opened the Brooklyn Bridge. At the time, it was considered engineering's greatest achievement, with a span of 1,600 feet, which made it the longest suspension bridge in the world.

On **May 22, 1906**, Wilbur and Orville Wright were granted a patent for their "flying machine." Their first application was rejected, and the overall process took three years, after which they sold the patent to the newly formed Wright Company for a sweet \$100,000, 40% of the company's stock, and a royalty of 10% on all aircraft sold.

On **May 23, 1962**, 12 doctors at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston performed the first successful reattachment of a human limb -- the severed arm of 12-year-old Everett "Red" Knowles. After four years of recovery, he had regained complete mobility and use of it.

On **May 26, 1993**, Major League Baseball's Jose Canseco and the Texas Rangers were playing against the Cleveland Indians when the latter team's infielder, Carlos Martinez, famously hit a fly ball that bounced off Canseco's head. All ended well, however, in a home run and no injuries, as well as some astonished laughs.

On **May 25, 2011**, "The Oprah Winfrey Show" came to an emotional end after 25 years and 4,561 episodes, with its longtime host telling her audience, "You and this show have been the greatest love of my life." It remains one of the highest-rated daytime TV talk shows in American entertainment history.

On **May 28, 2016**, a gorilla named Harambe was relaxing inside the Gorilla World habitat at the Cincinnati Zoo when a 3-year-old boy climbed into the enclosure and fell into the moat. While it seemed that Harambe was protecting the boy from drowning, zoo officials decided to shoot the animal as they feared he might accidentally kill the child.

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...This water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also - not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand - with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him. 1 PETER 3: 21, 22

Thank You!

Saturday, May 6, was truly an awesome, humbling day for me as I was selected to be the First Lady of Clearwater County 2023. It is truly an honor to join the list of women that have been chosen in past years. Many of them I have looked up to or been mentored by over the years.

A big thanks goes to Tamara and Denise of the Clearwater County Historical Society for continuing to make this annual event better each year. The presentation of past Clearwater County correspondents held so many memories of the past. The musical group they chose was superb. Also, thanks to area banks that co-sponsored the event with the CCHS

Thank you to the ladies of Good Shepherd Church as they are hard to beat when hosting an event. The brunch, table settings and service were amazing.

Thank you to those that nominated me for this recognition and friends and family that attended.

With appreciation,
Gladys Luecken

Obituaries are published on the Farmers Independent website during the week as we receive them - farmersindependent.com/obituaries.



Happy Birthday!

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Victor Rude

December 27, 1939 - March 6, 2023



He served in the Army during peace time from December of 1959 until he was honorably discharged in January 1963. After the Army, he began his truck driving career where it brought him to Missoula, Montana. There he met the love of his life, Carolyn Scherer, and they were united in marriage on June 28, 1969. Together they celebrated 53 years of matrimony. He was a loving father of three children, Vivian, Vernon, and Valerie, along with being a loving grandfather to his four granddaughters, Annastasia, Ashley, Monica, and Sarah, along with his great granddaughter, Paisley.

In the early years after his children were born, he enjoyed large family camping trips, spending hours with his children and his nieces and nephews. He also enjoyed gardening and mowing his yard and cutting wood along with deer hunting. In his later years after retiring from trucking, he spent his time wood working and taking his loving wife on trips out West to Montana. He enjoyed watching his granddaughters while their parents worked, and they had numerous sleepovers. On occasion, Victor would even put up a tent in the house to fulfill his granddaughters'

wishes to go camping with grandma and grandpa. He went to numerous events to watch his granddaughters throughout the years, even giving them a ride in his semi-truck before he retired. He was a wonderful father, uncle, and grandfather. He always enjoyed teasing and having fun with all but would help anyone who needed help without hesitation. His love and kindness will be cherished and missed by all who knew and loved him.

Victor is survived by his loving wife, Carolyn; his children, Vivian (Martin Lumbreras) Rude, Vernon Rude, and Valerie (Ray) Reichert; his four granddaughters, Annastasia Boyd, Ashley (Dirk Fultz) Reichert, Monica (Daniel) Johnson, and Sarah Reichert; his great granddaughter, Paisley Johnson; his siblings, Norman (Rosie) Rude, Karen (Howard) Sjulestad, Larry Rude, Wendall (Diann) Rude; sister-in-law, Merrylee Payne; and brother-in-law, Mell Scherer.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Olaf and Anna Rude; and his sister, Evon Rude.

Messages of condolence may be sent to ceasefuneralhome.com.

Medication Used for Perimenstrual Asthma Poses Health Risk

continuously prevent large changes in progesterone and estradiol, and may be helpful in managing perimenstrual asthma. Although I didn't find a lot about it in literature, I suspect that when your periods stop, your asthma symptoms will get better.

Increased medication at the time of menses is frequently needed. However, because prednisone, even at the fairly small dose of 10 mg, does increase risk of diabetes, osteoporosis, high blood pressure, glaucoma, cataracts and many other conditions, oral prednisone is not my first choice for medication in this situation.

Inhaled steroids would be one choice, but they take a while to begin working. One recommended treatment is the oral medicine montelukast (Singulair), which has been proven effective in a small study and starts working right away.

DR. ROACH WRITES: A recent column regarding a "tip jar" in a living situation for a reader's brother who had suffered a stroke generated very powerful responses. (Respondents included nurses and administrators who worked in care facilities.) Many readers noted that they thought this was illegal in the states they lived in. While many readers responded that they were happy to give gifts to the caregivers, nearly every person wrote that the public nature of the "tip jar" was inappropriate. The institutions I have been

affiliated with have very careful rules about accepting any kind of gift. In my opinion, the "tip jar" grossly violated ethical standards, and nearly all readers agreed with me.

Several readers wished me to mention the state ombudsman program for long-term care. Every state is required to have such a program to address complaints and advocate for improvements. Residents in the U.S. can learn more about the long-term care ombudsman program at ltombudsman.org/about/about-ombudsman.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu.

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Victor August Rude of Gonvick, Minnesota, age 83, died under Hospice Care at the Sanford Bagley Medical Center of Bagley, Minnesota on March 6, 2023.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, May 13, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. at the Samhold Lutheran Church in Gonvick, MN with a visitation one hour prior. Interment will be held Bethlehem Lutheran Cemetery in Gonvick, MN. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with arrangements.

He was born in rural Clearbrook, Minnesota in Eddy Township on December 27, 1939. He was the son of Olaf and Anna (Anderson) Rude, one of six children, baptized at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in rural Gonvick, Minnesota.

To Your Good Health

with **Dr. Keith Roach**

DEAR DR. ROACH: I'm a 55-year-old perimenopausal woman who developed asthma a few years ago. My symptoms always start right before my menstrual cycle. My doctor ruled out allergies as the cause. I used to get colds and sinus infections premenstrually in my younger years. Most medical practitioners don't see the correlation between hormones and respiratory symptoms.

I sometimes take 10 mg of prednisone when I'm wheezing more than usual, and it seems to help. Is this dose putting me at risk for diabetes if taken regularly? -- B.S.

ANSWER: Perimenstrual asthma is a well-recognized condition that is nevertheless not well-known by most nonexperts. It is less likely to be caused by allergies and more likely to be aspirin-sensitive -- meaning that aspirin, or other anti-inflammatory drugs (like ibuprofen) commonly taken by women during menstruation, can trigger an asthma attack. Maybe a quarter of women with asthma have perimenstrual asthma. As you say, it is thought to be the hormone changes around menstruation that trigger the asthma. Oral contraceptives used



The Grapevine
By Pamela Hagen-French
Call or text Pamela to report good news stories about your family, friends, church or community group.
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American Legion Auxiliary Unit 16 President Denise Milton and Auxiliary Chaplain Lorraine Brustad preside over the memorial service during the May meeting that pays tribute to our Unit 16 Auxiliary members we have lost this past year. Members who have answered the call to the Supreme Commander are; Past President Lois Hoie, Eileen Benesh, Marlyce Halvorson, Betty Philip, Gloria Merschman. And for any member left unrecorded that leave, an empty chair at the table and whose passing is known to God. Rest in peace dear sisters!



The Grovers - Trent, Jamie, Trisha, Cheryl, John District 9 American Legion President's Luncheon

By Pamela Hagen French

Each of these officers had an individual project and theme. Master of Ceremonies was 9th District Auxiliary Secretary, Dennis Henkemeyer, Unit 16. Dennis is also a member of the American Legion Post 16 and a member of the Son's of the American Legion Squadron 16.

District Commander Terry Buraas chose as his project the chapel building for the National Cemetery located near Fargo. This ambitious building project will provide shelter and restroom facilities for visitors to the cemetery. Commander Terry's 2022-23 District Commander Project donations have been coming in all year; and on Saturday the donations surpassed his goal. President Cheryl also had the Chapel Building Project at the Fargo

The American Legion Post 16 in Bagley was the setting for the American Legion 9th District Commander, Terry Buraas, (Post 157), and American Legion Auxiliary District President, Cheryl Grover's (Unit 16), Joint Testimonial Luncheon. Along with the 9th District Band, members of the American Legion Family, friends, and family members, came together to honor their past year of service. Honorary American Legion Junior President, Teriana Richards, (Unit 353), also joined in the festivities. These three individuals are celebrating a year of Honoring and Serving Veterans and their families in the 9th District.



Shirley Bellefy poses in The Vintage Corner at the Bagley Senior Center with pre 1960 hampered aluminum pots!

Treasures can be found at the Senior Center

By Pamela Hagen French

Did you know the craft room at the Bagley Senior center has a Vintage Corner? While pursuing the available items I came across these two uniquely shaped pots. The bottom still bore the aluminum stamped insignia. Club Hammered Aluminum, and patent stamp. In the 60's I recall the greenish-blue ones, but not the unpainted.

After what seemed like an hour, I was able to find these exact pots. The tops are missing, yet even with that the pots were going for \$80 to \$300 for the pair! I was intrigued by the shape. It seems clear before modern stoves, cooking could be done in two pots on one burner! So cool! Thank Dorothy Bellefy for posing with them!!!

The Bagley Senior Center is open to everyone! The gift shop and thrift store are open Monday through Friday from 10-2pm! Monies raised by these two entities help keep the utility bills paid! Lunch is prepared each day for Meals on Wheels drivers

to deliver, individual pickup or dine in. You don't have to be 60 to eat there either. The suggested donation for those under 60 is \$8.75. The meal program is a part of LSS-Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota.

Each week the food program has a wish list of items needed. This week's wish list includes:

- Crisco Shortening
- Coffee
- Butter
- Whipping Cream

For those wanting to enjoy a home cooked meal please call one day ahead of time to get your name on the list. Monthly menus can be picked up at the center and weekly menus are posted in the Farmer's Independent for the following week!

For questions regarding the meal program, or the craft and thrift rooms, please call 218-694-6873.

Please note, the individuals keeping the craft and thrift rooms open are volunteers! Volunteers are always welcome.



Snowbirds have arrived home and filled five card tables at the Senior Center for a friendly game of Whist! Whist is played every Tuesday, starting at 12:30 am sharp! Come on over! More tables will be set up as needed!

National cemetery as part of her fundraising efforts, along with the new Veterans Home being built in Bemidji. Cheryl indicated she will have reached her goal for both projects by the end of June 2023.

All three officers indicated numerous highlights of their

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*These activities are made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Minnesota State Arts Board and Region 2 Arts Council, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund.

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Pulse on People

Minnesota State University Moorhead will be awarding degrees during its spring commencement on Friday, May 12 in the Nemzek Fieldhouse. Graduates from our area are:

- **Audrey Soderstrom**, Criminal Justice (BA), Bagley High School (Gonvick)
- **Karen Stish**, Educational Leadership (MS) & MS Educational Leadership, Bagley High School (Solway)

Congratulations!

Tell your friends you saw it on the Grapevine in the Farmers Independent!

Alcoholics Anonymous Tuesdays - 7 p.m. At the D&R Cafe - Bagley
Fridays - 7 p.m. Shevlin Fire Hall, Shevlin
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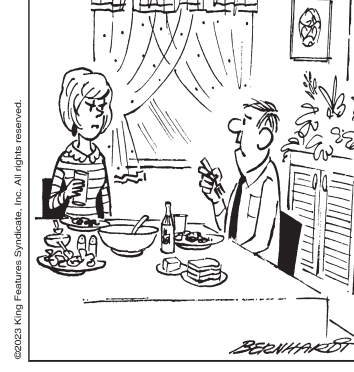
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DETERMINATION
OF HEIRSHIP AND
APPOINTMENT
OF PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE
IN UNSUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION AND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS**
Court File No. 15-PR-21-612

**TO ALL INTERESTED
PERSONS AND
CREDITORS:**

IT IS ORDERED and notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of June, 2023, at 9:00 o'clock a.m., a hearing will be held in the above named Court via Zoom (instructions available upon request), for adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship and for the appointment of Erick Chunn whose address is 25286 460th Street, Leonard, MN 56652 as personal representative of the estate of the above named decedent in an unsupervised administration, and that any

objections thereto must be filed with the Court. That, if proper, and no objections are filed, said personal representative will be appointed to administer the estate, to collect all assets, pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, and sell real and personal property, and do all necessary acts for the estate. Upon completion of the administration, the representative shall file a final account for the allowance and shall distribute the estate to the persons thereunto entitled as ordered by the Court, and close the estate.

Notice is further given that ALL CREDITORS having claims against said estate are required to present the same to said personal representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this notice or said claims will be barred.

Dated this 26th day of April, 2023.

/s/ Robert D. Tiffany
Judge of District Court
By: Leah Leavitt, Deputy
/s/ Michael L. Jorgenson
Michael L. Jorgenson
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Chapter 333**

The filing of an assumed name does not provide a user with exclusive rights to that name. The filing is required for consumer protection, in order to enable consumers to be able to identify the true owner of a business.

1. State the exact assumed name under which the business is or will be conducted.

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3. List the name and complete street address of all persons conducting business under the above Assumed Name. If the business owner is a corporation, provide the legal corporate name and registered office address of the corporation. **Erin McCannel 459 Spirit Lake Rd #4 Wilton MN 56601**

I certify that I am authorized to sign this certificate and I further certify that I understand that by signing this certificate, I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in *Minnesota Statutes Section 609.48* as if I had signed this certificate under oath.
Erin McCannel

**REGULAR SCHOOL
BOARD MEETING
APRIL 17, 2023
SUMMARY**

The regular meeting of the School Board, Independent School District #162 was held on April 17, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in BHS Room 101. Members present: Adam Broden, Wendy Fultz, John Gerbracht, Andrew Bennett, Amy Fontaine, Amanda Koop, Mark Olson, and Superintendent Dr. Heise. Members absent - none.

Chairperson Broden called the meeting to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

- M/S Olson, Bennett to approve the agenda. MP 7-0.
- M/S Fultz, Fontaine to approve the following consent agenda items:
 - Minutes – April 3rd
 - April 2023 Check Register

- March 2023 Hand Payables
- March 2023 Treasurer's Report
- Budget Items
- March 2023 Wire Payments
- Resignation – Kennedy Soderstrom
- FMLA Leave Request – Employee A
- Hire – Bridget Lindell
- Hire – Linda Gulbranson
- MP 7-0.
- M/S Bennett, Fontaine to adopt resolution accepting gifts/donations to Bagley Public Schools:

WHEREAS the following; therefore, **BE IT RESOLVED** by the School Board of Independent School District #162 – Bagley School Board does hereby accept the following donations:

- \$15 for the Angel Care Account in memory of Scott Anderson
- \$50 for the Angel Care Account in memory of Scott Anderson

- Anderson
- \$20 to the Angel Care Account from Tom Beltz
- MP 7-0.
- M/S Olson, Koop to approve the architect agreement between Bagley School District and EAPC Architects Engineers. MP 7-0.
- M/S Fontaine, Olson to approve the BCBS health insurance plan renewal. MP 7-0.
- M/S Fultz, Gerbracht to approve the Scholastic Teacher's Store purchase of books for students in the amount of \$13,904.49. MP 7-0.
- Gerbracht moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

Adam Broden, Chairman
John Gerbracht, Clerk

All reports, budget information, bids, etc. may be viewed and/or questions answered at ISD #162's District Office, 202 Bagley Ave NW, Bagley, MN. 218-694-6184

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**This project is made possible in part under the Federal Older Americans Act through an award from the Land of the Dancing Sky Area Agency on Aging under an Area Plan approved by the Minnesota Board on Aging.

Bagley Schools Menu

May 15-19

- Monday:** Chili Cheese Fritos, Cooked Carrots, Peaches,
Tuesday: Sub Sandwich, Baked Lays, Fresh Veggies, Apple,
Wednesday: Sub Sandwich, Baked Lays, Fresh Veggies, Apple,
Thursday: Garlic Cheesy Bread, Meat Sauce, Broccoli & Carrots, Fruit Cocktail,
Friday: Cooks Choice

Breakfast

- Monday:** Mini Blueberry Waffle, Fruit and/or Juice,
Tuesday: Cereal & WG Item, Fruit and/or Juice,
Wednesday: Muffin & Yogurt, Fruit and/or Juice,
Thursday: Cereal and WG item, Fruit and/or Juice
Friday: Donut, Fruit and/or Juice

Clearwater County Food Shelf Hours

Clearwater County Food Shelf is open every Wednesday from 10 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in the basement of the Bagley American Legion (go to the back door).

Monetary contributions can be mailed to Clearwater County Food Shelf, PO Box 578, Bagley, MN 56621.

Food donations can be dropped off at the Food Shelf on Wednesdays.
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Bagley Senior Center Menu

May 15-19

- Monday:** Chicken Alfredo, Noodles, Calif Blend Vegetables, Ice Cream,
Tuesday: Roast Pork, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Squash, Fruit Salad,
Wednesday: Chef Choice,
Thursday: Salisbury Steak, Potatoes, Peas, Poke Cake,
Friday: Tater Tot Casserole, Green Beans, Pears, Cookie, Milk and Bread included with Meals.

Meals are subject to change. Please call by 1 pm the day before the meal.

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EDDY TOWNSHIP SEEKS GRAVEL QUOTES NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Gravel quotes will be received until May 15, 2023 by mail, to the township Clerk, Marilyn Shamp, 13697 440th St., Clearbrook, MN 56634 on behalf of Eddy Township Board for the project listed below:

Gravel to be applied to township roads

Quotes sought for crushed, class 5 gravel from current weed inspected pit. Include location of pit. Quote must include cost of gravel, and also the hauling and spreading, of approximately 3,000 yards. Gravel will need to be of acceptable quality. The Eddy Town Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any or all quotes.

Marilyn Shamp, Clerk

RIDER ALERT Clearwater County Service on T.H.E. Bus

- * Countywide:**
7:30 am - 4:30 pm - Mon - Fri
- * Bagley:**
10 am - 4:30 pm - 1st, 3rd - Sat
- * Bemidji:**
2nd, 4th - Friday

Ride reservations to Bemidji must be scheduled by 3 pm the day prior to the trip.



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HOLST TOWNSHIP NOTICE Important Information Regarding Assessment and Classification of Property

This may affect your 2024 property taxes.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeal and Equalization for Holst Township shall meet on May 16, 2023 at 7:00 pm at the Holst Town Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to determine whether taxable property in the jurisdiction has been properly valued and classified by the assessor.

If you believe the value or classification of your property is incorrect, please contact your assessor's office to discuss your concerns. If you disagree with the valuation or classification after discussing it with your assessor, you may appear before the local board of appeal and equalization. The board shall review your assessments and may make corrections as needed. Generally, you must appeal to the local board before appealing to the county board of appeal and equalization.

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Clerk, Holst Township

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Crossword and Sudoku answers below.

King Crossword

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- Standard
- Like custard
- Jubilant
- Candle count
- Crib cry
- Verdi opera
- "Yellow" band
- Zorro's marks
- Teeny bit
- Lincoln's coin
- Long-limbed
- Wild guess
- "How sweet -!"
- "Light My Fire" band
- Rock's Brian
- Berth places
- Quick swim
- "Jump" band
- Greek cheese
- Always
- Gourmand
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- Cushions
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- Sicilian volcano
- Slender woodwind
- Transparent
- Seabird
- Scrabble piece
- Schiller poem used by
- Beethoven
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- Mast
- Macadamize
- Marsh birds
- Flunk
- Goofed
- First bed
- Sharpen
- Third degree?
- Hay bundle
- Third degree?
- Corn serving
- Exist
- Kitten's cry

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Veterans

All veterans are welcome to join their peers at the D&R Café in Bagley on Wednesday mornings at 9 a.m. for coffee or breakfast and a chat.

Open Hours Bagley Public Library

Tuesday: 1-7
Wednesday: 9-5
Thursday: 1-7
Friday: 9-5
Saturday: 9-1
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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Bemidji DAV Van

The Bemidji DAV Van runs through Shevlin, Bagley, Fosston, Clearbrook, and Leonard at no cost to Veterans 5 days a week except on holidays.

Dates Not Running: May 29th, June 19th, July 4th, September 4th, October 9th, November 10 & 23, and December 25th.

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News Bytes

WATERMARK ART CENTER Join Watermark Art Center for the opening of M.E. Fuller's exhibit "Out of My Hands" on Friday, **May 12** from 5 to 7pm. Fuller describes herself as a "contemporary artist" who works primarily on canvas and paper using acrylics, watercolor, and mixed media. Her most recent works depict abstract and energetic landscapes and mindscapes. Says Fuller, "A storyteller by nature, I discovered the worlds inside of me could be brought forward in the most honest and simple forms. An overthinker, I revel in the state of mindlessness that lets me tell true things without edits, thoughts, or words. It's not in my head, but out of my hands, that these images emerge." A slideshow of her work will be available online after the opening at watermarkartcenter.org/out-of-my-hands-m-e-fuller-painter/. There is no charge to attend the reception. Watermark galleries are free and open to the public Monday - Saturday from 10 to 5pm and located at 505 Bemidji Avenue N. in Bemidji, Minnesota, 218-444-7570. Visit WatermarkArtCenter.org for detailed exhibit, event, and class information.

Church, 414 Lincoln Avenue, Bemidji, MN.

SYTTENDE MAI On Wednesday, **May 17**, which is the Norwegian Independence Day, Syttende Mai, the Sons of Norway along with the East Polk County Heritage Center, invite you to attend a concert at the Library Arts Auditorium featuring Gordy "Crazy Fingers" Lindquist. Gordy is a professional pianist and entertainer who has performed at the Minot Hostfest for over 30 years and has performed throughout Norway. Gordy has performed with entertainers such as Myron Floren and Bob Hope for audiences all around the USA and Canada. The public is invited to attend this free concert that is preceded by a Scandinavian Dessert Buffet from 6:00 - 7:00 when the concert begins. Please join in this entertaining evening on Wednesday, May 17, at the Fosston Library beginning at 6:00. This program is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant to the East Polk Heritage Center from the Minnesota State Arts Board, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund.

ATV SAFETY COURSE BEING OFFERED The Clearwater County Sheriff's Office is hosting an ATV Safety Class for interested operators ages 10 and older who wish to obtain their ATV Safety Certificate. An ATV Safety Certificate is required in the State of MN for anyone born after July 1, 1987. Students who are 16 or older can take the online course only and do not need to attend a field day. Visit www.dnr.state.mn.us for more information. There are three steps:

Step 1: Contact Andy Anderson at 218-776-3112 Ext #104 or andyanderson@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us to pre-register.

Step 2: Visit www.dnr.state.mn.us and click on "Education and Safety" > "Recreational Vehicle Safety Classes" and follow the links to take the online ATV Safety Course. After the online course is complete, print the certificate/voucher and bring it to the Field Day.

Step 3: Attend the Field Day on **May 20, 2023**, at 8:30 am at Clearbrook-Gonvick School; 16770 Clearwater Lake Road, Clearbrook, MN 56634

Students need to bring their voucher from the online course, a helmet and proper riding attire (long pants, no open toed shoes, gloves, eye protection and clothes appropriate for the weather). A parent or guardian needs to attend the first part of the class for registration.

BEMIDJI CHORALE SPRING CONCERT The Bemidji Chorale will present its annual spring concert on Sunday, **May 14** at 3 pm in Thompson Recital Hall at Bemidji State University. The concert is entitled, "American Journey: Choral Music of America" and will feature arrangements of folksongs in a variety of styles. The chorale is conducted by Dr. James Bowyer and accompanied by Wayne Hoff. The concert is free and open to the public.

FAMILY ENRICHMENT CLASSES Woodburning class or Watercolor Pencil class, **May 15, 5:30 - 7:30 pm**. You must register to attend! Contact Les 218-556-3521 for further details and registration. Use the south door parking lot. All classes are for adult/child/family, Age 8 and up/any adult, children must have an adult family member present. Location: Mt. Zion

Friday, May 12th
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First Ladies of Clearwater County

First Lady / Continued from page 1

History Month, the Clearwater County Historical Society uses the event to celebrate the accomplishments of women in the county. Music was provided by mother and daughter, Callie, and Tiffany Ehresmann, from Clearbrook. Ladies of Good Shepard Lutheran Church prepared and served a lovely lunch of chicken salad on a croissant, fresh fruit, and angel food cake.



COVID update
from the County Nursing Service

Community level is "Low" in Clearwater County. We have 19 active cases from 4/21/23 - 5/5/23 giving us a 14-day case rate of: 21.57.

Ages of Current cases:
 0-19 1
 20-39 2
 40-59 2
 60-79 10
 80+ 4

Summary of recent changes (last updated April 22, 2023):

- Revision of the mRNA COVID-19 vaccination schedule as follows:
- At the time of initial vaccination, depending on vaccine product, children ages 6 months-4 years are recommended to receive 2 or 3 bivalent mRNA vaccine doses; children age 5 years are recommended to receive 1 or 2 bivalent mRNA vaccine doses
- People ages 6 years and older who are unvaccinated or previously received only monovalent vaccine doses are recommended to receive 1 bivalent mRNA vaccine dose
- People ages 65 years and older may receive 1 additional bivalent mRNA vaccine dose

As with any medication/vaccination, your primary care provider is your best source of information for you! We continue to give COVID vaccinations Thursday afternoons from 2-4 pm. Please call 218-694-6581 to schedule an appointment. May is National Mental Health Month. A common problem affecting our mental well-being is stress and anxiety. Learning what causes or triggers your stress and what coping techniques work for you can help reduce your anxiety and improve your daily life. It may take trial and error to discover what works best for you. Here are some activities you can try when you start to feel overwhelmed:

- Keep a journal.
- Download an app that provides relaxation exercises (such as deep breathing or visualization) or tips for practicing mindfulness, which is a psychological process of actively paying attention to the present moment.
- Exercise, and make sure you are eating healthy, regular meals.
- Stick to a sleep routine, and make sure you are getting enough sleep.
- Avoid drinking excess caffeine such as soft drinks or coffee.
- Identify and challenge your negative and unhelpful thoughts.
- Reach out to your friends or family members who help you cope in a positive way.



Bagley School Board report

By Allie Dalrymple

The Bagley School Board met on May 1, 2023, with everyone in attendance except for Mark Olson. The board approved the agenda and consent agenda which included minutes from the April 17 meeting, resignation of Felry Larson, and the resignation of Alex Jesness. Since Kristi Moritz was not at the meeting, the board looked to Mark Bensen for the BHS report. Bensen stated, "We are in the heart of testing season, we have already completed math and reading, and are completing science this week. Wednesday, AP English students are taking their test on Wednesday, and AP History students are taking theirs on Friday". Last weekend, BHS held their Prom with a great attendance of 91 students, and this Friday is the 3rd annual powwow hosted at the High School. Next, Superintendent Eric Heise stated that the district has the same enrollment number of 871 students as it was last month, then talked about the legislative process. Heise stated, "There are two weeks left in the legislative process, and this is something I am making sure I'm keeping up on and I encourage you to do the same thing. This impacts the entire state". Next, the school board selected members to present diplomas at graduation. The board decided on Mark Olson and Andrew Bennett. May 5th is School Lunch Hero Day, and May 8-12 is Teacher Appreciation Week. The Board then moved on to approve the action items including Capital Purchases for 2023-2024: Keyless Door System Upgrade for 18,767.25, Server Update for 26,182.28, and Edmentum for 16,745.15. With nothing else to discuss, the meeting was adjourned. Next School Board meeting will be held on May 15, 2023.

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Ag, Business & Government News

MnDOT asks motorists, farm equipment operators to safely share the road during planting season

Motorists traveling on Minnesota roads this spring should watch for large farm equipment moving from farm to farm during planting season, according to the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

Since 2020, there have been 391 crashes involving farm equipment in Minnesota, resulting in six deaths and 143 injuries. Inattentive driving and speed were the biggest contributing factors in those crashes.

"Farmers need our highways to access fields statewide, so motorists should prepare to encounter slow-moving farm vehicles; especially on rural, two-lane roads," said Brian Sorenson, state traffic engineer.

Farm equipment is large and heavy, making it hard for operators to accelerate, slow down and stop. The equipment also makes wide turns and sometimes crosses over the center line.

In addition, farm vehicles can create large blind spots, making it difficult for operators to see approaching vehicles.

Motorists should:

- Slow down and use caution when approaching farm equipment
- Watch for debris dropped by farm equipment
- Drive with headlights on at all times
- Wait for a safe place to pass

Farm equipment operators should:

- Use lights and flashers to make equipment more visible
- Use slow-moving vehicle emblems on equipment traveling less than 30 mph
- Consider using a follow vehicle when moving equipment, especially at night

Counties added to spring burning restrictions

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources has expanded the area subject to open burning restrictions as warm and dry weather spreads throughout the state.

Beginning Friday, May 5, additional counties in which burning restrictions apply are:

Becker, Beltrami, Cass, Clay, **Clearwater**, Crow Wing, Douglas, Grant, Hubbard, Kittson, Lake of the Woods, Mahnomon, Marshall, Norman, Otter Tail, Pennington, Polk, Pope, Red Lake, Roseau, Stevens, Traverse, Wadena, Wilkin

Restrictions remain in place in the following counties:

Anoka, Benton, Chisago, Isanti, Hennepin, Kanabec, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Ramsey, Sherburne, Stearns, Todd, Washington, Wright

The DNR will not issue permits for the open burning of brush or yard waste in these counties until restrictions are lifted.

"Wildfire danger is especially high in spring because dormant or dead vegetation from the previous year has dried out and there is no snow protection," said

Karen Harrison, DNR wildfire prevention specialist. "Once the landscape 'greens up,' fire danger goes down – but until then, burning restrictions reduce the potential for wildfires."

If people need to dispose of vegetation or yard waste, Harrison said composting, chipping, or taking brush to a collection site are all good options. For more information, visit the composting for woodland owner's page of the DNR website (mndnr.gov/wildfire/prevention/debris-composting.html).

People cause 90% of wildfires in Minnesota. If a fire rekindles or escapes, the person who sets it is liable for any damage caused, as well as for wildfire suppression costs.

Burning restrictions will be adjusted as conditions change. For more information and daily updates on current fire risk and open burning restrictions, visit the statewide fire danger and burning restrictions page of the DNR website (mndnr.gov/burnrestrictions).

2023 Progressive Ag Farm Safety Day

By Kara Waldvogel

The 2023 Progressive Ag Farm Safety Day was held on May 2, 2023, at the Bagley Hockey Arena. Six graders from Clearbrook-Gonvick, Bagley, Fosston, Faith Hope and Love Academy and Win-E-Mac schools were all in attendance. We had 198 students attend the event.

We had ten different stations that students attended. Each station was 20 minutes long. The stations were fire, electrical, chemical, grain bin/tractor, small engine, food, first aid, animal, and mental health and well-being. Many of the stations were interactive and the students could experience things such as holding the water hose on the fire truck and making a stress ball. It was a day filled with learning.

We had many wonderful presenters that I would like to thank for giving their time. They are Ian Willberg and Adam Sweno from Clearwater Polk-Electric, Jordy Jordan and Ryan Schipper Bagley Fire Department, Katy Braaten and Melanie Anderson from White Earth Mental Health, Dustyn Bellefy-Small Engines, Bryant Bolduc Tractor, Terri Nelson-Clearwater Nursing Service, Grain Bin, Clarence Lacroix-Clearwater Sheriff's Department, Mahya Guduangen and Ryan Schultz Sanford Ambulance, Chad Carlson and Myah Walker-animal safety, Kayla Johnshoy and Layla Engebretson-food safety, and Randy Bodensteiner and Renee Keezer-Chemical Safety.

Other sponsors that helped put this event on

Spring load restrictions ending in south, central, north central and north seasonal load limit zones

The Minnesota Department of Transportation will end spring load restrictions starting on May 8. The restrictions will end:

- In the SOUTH zone on Monday, May 8, at 12:01 a.m.
- In the CENTRAL zone on Wednesday, May 17, at 12:01 a.m.
- In the NORTH-CENTRAL and NORTH zones on Wednesday, May 24, at 12:01 a.m.

Please check with local agencies prior to increasing any weights on their routes. The sign erected on the roadway governs the load limit in effect.

Seasonal load limit zones and restricted routes can be found on the MnDOT load limits map. Start and end dates and other load limit information are shown at mndot.gov/loadlimits.

Overweight permits for more than 80,000-pound gross vehicle weight continue during spring load restrictions and new permits will be issued if all axle and group weights are legal.

Full-summer overweight permits can be issued, during the spring load restriction period, for travel on the interstate system only.

Middle-range overweight permits become available

within each zone when spring load restrictions are lifted. Full-summer overweight permits become available two to three weeks after spring load restrictions are lifted.

Ending dates for spring load restrictions are variable and based on how weather is affecting roadway strength.

For questions about legal axle weight during SLR; Gross Vehicle Weight Schedule, call: Minnesota Department of Public Safety State Patrol – Commercial Vehicle Enforcement 651-350-2000.

For questions about oversize/overweight loads/permitting, contact: Minnesota Department of Transportation Freight and Commercial Vehicle Operations – Oversize/Overweight Permits 651-296-6000.

All changes are made with a minimum of three calendar-day notice.

For the most current information, go to MnDOT's automated 24-hour message center at 1-800-723-6543 for the U.S. and Canada, or 651-366-5400 for the Minneapolis/St. Paul area. This information is also published on the MnDOT seasonal load limits website at mndot.gov/loadlimits.

U of M Extension "Strategic Farming: Field Notes!"

Crop producers and agricultural professionals face a host of challenges, including pests and pest resistance concerns, agronomic issues, and soil fertility questions. The UMN Extension Strategic Farming program addresses your crop-related concerns through research-based webinars with specialists in the field.

Strategic Farming: Field Notes features live weekly webinars with interactive discussions addressing in-season cropping issues as they arise. The 2023 season begins Wednesday, May 10, and continues through August 23 on Wednesday mornings from 8 to 8:30 a.m. Topics will be announced the week of the program in response to needs throughout the season, and may include issues related to soil fertility, agronomics, pest management, cover crops, equipment and more.

Join us for the launch of Strategic Farming: Field Notes on May 10th when we welcome Dr. Dennis Today,

Director of the Midwest USDA Climate Hub, for a weather outlook for the 2023 growing season. Dr. Jeff Coulter, UMN Extension corn agronomist, will also be on hand to address corn planting concerns.

You need to register once for the season at z.umn.edu/strategic-farming. You can attend any or all of the webinars.

Can't make a live session? No problem. Each session will be recorded and posted shortly after the live program at z.umn.edu/strategic-farming. You can also listen to the session through your favorite podcast-streaming service. Recordings and resources from the winter's Strategic Farming: Let's Talk Crops Series are also available at this website.

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were Headwaters Farm Bureau, Clearwater County 4-H, Clearwater County Extension, and the Clearwater County Fair. All the students received a Progressive Ag Farm Safety Day Shirt and a goodie bag to take home. Those that sponsored the goodie bags and gave items to be included were the DNR, Clearwater County 4-H, Polk County 4-H, Sanford Health, Essentia Health, Smile Designs by Sandwick, Randy Bodensteiner, and the Clearwater Nursing Service. I also, want to thank Willberg's for bringing

lawnmowers to use for the small engine demonstration. The youth were able to learn many safety tips and seemed to have a great day learning. I also want to thank the BFCG Hockey Association for letting us hold the event at the hockey arena and donating the rental cost. Thanks to everyone that gave of their time and talents. You are making an impact on the lives of the area's youth.



ICU 2

Unofficial eye test



**BHS
Varsity Athletics
Schedule**

Thursday, May 11

Track @ **HOME** (PTP Tournament), 3:30 pm

Baseball @ **HOME** vs. Lake of the Woods, 4:30 pm

Softball @ Lake of the Woods, 4:30 pm

Friday, May 12

Baseball @ **HOME** vs. Cass Lake-Bena, 4:30 pm

Softball @ Cass Lake-Bena, 4:30 pm

Monday, May 15

Girl's Golf @ **HOME** vs. multiple schools, 1:00 pm

Baseball @ LaPorte, 4:30 pm

Softball @ **HOME** vs. LaPorte, 4:30 pm

Boy's Golf @ AB/NCW, 4:30 pm

Tuesday, May 16

Baseball @ **HOME** vs. NCE/UH, 4:00 pm

Track @ Kelliher/Northhome, 4:00 pm

Boy's Golf @ Mahnomen, 4:30 pm

Wednesday, May 17

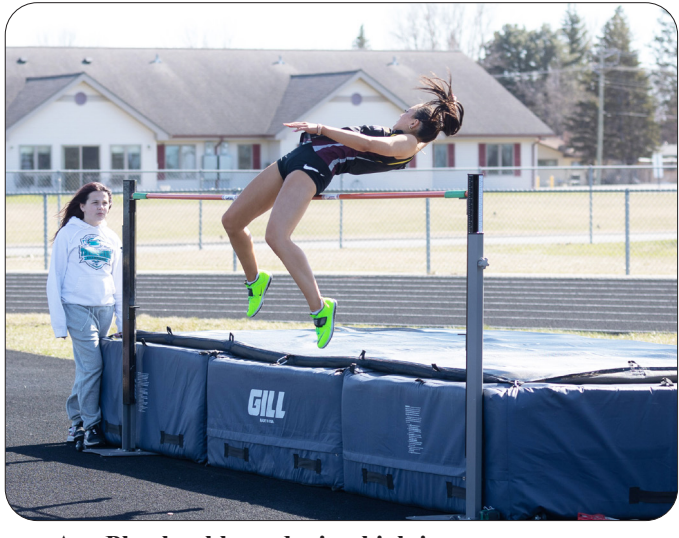
Girl's Golf @ AB/NCW, 9:00 am

Thursday, May 18

Softball @ Bemidji State vs. Kelliher/Northhome, 9:00 am

Track @ Ada-Borup, 4:00 pm

Schedule subject to change, updates available at <https://www.bagley.k12.mn.us/>



Ava Phrakonkham during high jump

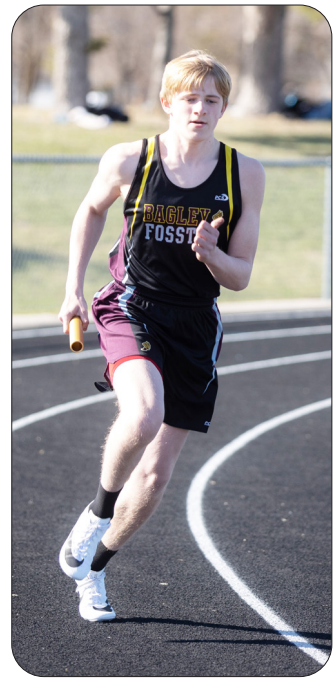
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Palmer Olson running the 1 mile



Carlotta Lopez Santamarina running the 800m



Ethan Proulx starting the Boys 4x200m relay

Track photos by Megan Warmbold



Robert Olson starting the boys 4x400m relay

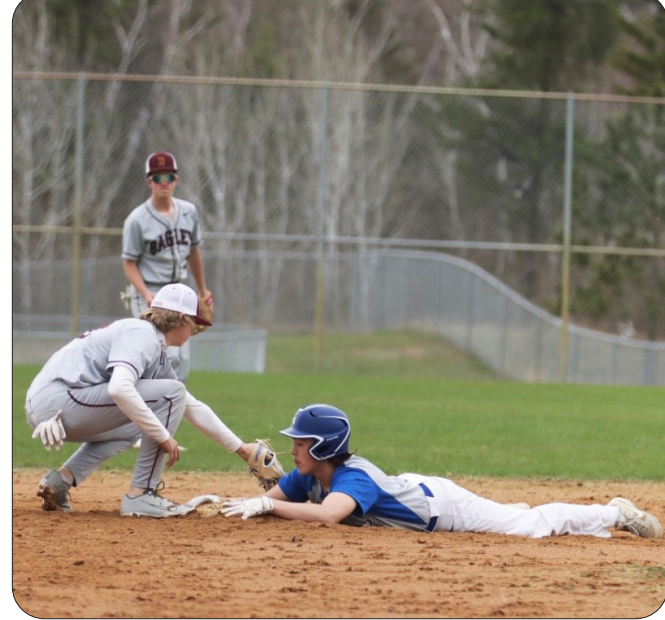


James Palmer putting for a birdie on hole #6 at Twin Pines GC.

Baseball photos by Kaylia Erickson



Ian Phrakonkham hitting his tee shot on hole #7 during tournament play.



Gage Gunderson with the tag at second.



Shortstop Mason Erickson throwing to third.

**BHS Baseball Field named
in honor of Hall of Fame
Coach Bob Mullan**



Coach Mullan holds a plaque presented to him by Jake Hood.



Throw to James Johnson at second was a little short to get the out.



Coach Mullan with the 1978 BHS team that went to state.





Finally, a Breakthrough on Captive Deer Farms

For the unfamiliar, deer—and elk, too—are raised on such farms to provide controlled “hunts,” for meat, for urine for scent products, and for breeding purposes. Both deer and elk can transmit CWD through direct or indirect contact, via bodily secretions, between infected and healthy animals. CWD was first detected in wild deer in Southeast Minnesota’s Olmsted County in 2010. Perhaps not coincidentally, this region of Minnesota has historically had the highest concentration of captive deer and elk farms.

As late as 2019, that region was the only area where wild deer were found to be infected. Sadly, that picture has changed. CWD-infected wild deer have since been found in at least eight Minnesota counties, ranging as far north as the Bemidji area in Beltrami County. Transfer of infected deer has been implicated.

Perhaps as important as any part of the agreement reached by Minnesota Senate and House negotiators, oversight of captive deer farms will become the responsibility of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR), replacing the State Board of Animal Health (SBAH) in that capacity. It will be up to the DNR to monitor and enforce such rules as fencing requirements, disposal of infected captive animals, and rules pertaining to transfer of animals from one captive farm to another.

While it was in charge, the SBAH was frequently accused of being lax in enforcing rules, especially those concerning the fencing of deer captive farms, which were intended to prevent contact between captive and wild deer. SBAH’s main oversight duties have historically been related to domestic livestock on farms and ranches, not wild species, and some doubted their enthusiasm for policing of captive deer and elk farms.

There is an element of “be careful what you wish for”

in the transfer of deer farm oversight from the SBAH to the DNR. Some fear that the genie is already out of the bottle, as it were, with wild deer in at least eight counties now known to have been infected. They fear that CWD could follow the pattern of such aquatic invasive species as zebra mussels and Eurasian watermilfoil, the control of which is not currently a success story. If this proves true, the DNR could be given a black eye for an outcome for which it bears little responsibility.

As is so often the case with law and rulemaking—whether federal, state, or local—some items on the wish list don’t make it. For some reason—a bargaining chip can be the only explanation—the State Board of Animal Health will retain oversight of captive elk farms in Minnesota. There are fewer of these than captive deer farms. But captive elk are just as capable of spreading CWD to wild deer.

Another wish list item that fell by the wayside was that of requiring double fencing of captive deer farms, to prevent through-the-fence contact between captive and wild deer. Merely touching noses or exchanging saliva through the wires of a fence can spread CWD from an infected captive deer to a healthy wild deer. Double fencing is more expensive, and deer and elk farmers have resisted it for that reason.

While this moratorium remains in effect—permanently, many hope—the owner of a captive deer farm can sell or transfer ownership of his or her facility to a family member; but only once, as the language now reads.

All in all, this agreement is a positive one. Hopefully it is not too little, too late. Not only is a healthy whitetail deer herd central to one of Minnesota’s most cherished outdoor traditions, but it’s an important economic engine in its own right, through the sporting goods and tourism spending it generates.

Minnesota DNR News

Minnesota moms: join the Mother’s Day weekend fishing challenge

Moms who live in Minnesota are invited to join a free virtual fishing challenge Saturday, May 13, through Sunday, May 14, during Take a Mom Fishing Weekend, when all Minnesota moms can fish without purchasing a fishing license.

To participate in the Mother’s Day weekend fishing challenge, moms simply need to join the Minnesota Moms Fishing Challenge Facebook group (facebook.com/groups/1173295613370541) and submit one photo of each fish they catch. All participants who submit a fish will be entered in a random drawing for prizes provided by the Student Anglers Organization, including SCHEELS gift cards. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources is partnering with the Student Anglers Organization to organize the challenge.

Contest details are available on the Student Anglers Association website (studentangler.org/minnesota-moms-fishing-challenge). In the contest, no fish is too small and all fish species count.

The Minnesota State Legislature established Take a Mom Fishing Weekend in 1988 to coincide with Mother’s Day. This year, the weekend also happens during fishing opener — seasons begin Saturday, May 13, for walleye, northern pike, bass, and trout in lakes.

To celebrate the fishing season, the Minnesota Governor’s Fishing Opener event is taking place May 12-14 in Mankato. During the event on May 13, several anglers with the Student Anglers Organization will be fishing with their moms on Madison Lake, and the moms will be taking part in the Minnesota Moms Fishing Challenge.

DNR urges people to leave deer fawns alone

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources asks that people avoid disturbing or touching deer fawns, which are born around this time of year.

Most fawns are born in mid-May to mid-June, and fawns do not attempt to evade predators during their first few weeks of life. Instead, they remain still to avoid being seen. During these times, fawns are learning critical survival skills from their mothers but are often left on their own while their mothers forage watchfully nearby.

Be assured deer fawns are likely fine even if they look abandoned or fragile. Even if the fawn is known to be wounded or abandoned due to a car strike or animal attack, do not transport it without talking to a wildlife rehabilitator. For more information about what to do when people find fawns or other species of young wild animals, visit the DNR website (mndnr.gov/eco/nongame/rehabilitation/orphaned-wildlife.html).

Minnesota state park summer tours now taking reservations

This summer, Minnesota state parks will offer tours that highlight life in a prairie (including the possibility of viewing bison!), the longest cave in the state and Minnesota’s mining history.

Tours take place at Blue Mounds, Forestville/Mystery Cave, and Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine state parks. Reservation information, ticket prices, schedules and more can be found on the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources’ state park tours webpage (mndnr.gov/tours).

Blue Mounds State Park, in the southwest corner of Minnesota, offers a 90-minute bus tour into a vast prairie that might include seeing a massive bison herd. These powerful wild animals can be elusive, so there’s no guarantee of seeing one. What can easily be seen is prairie life: grasses, wildflowers, wildlife, and an expansive view. Tour reservations are required. Bison and prairie

tours begin May 26.

At 13 miles in length, **Mystery Cave** is Minnesota’s longest cave. A variety of cave tours are offered, including the one-hour lantern tour, the one-hour scenic tour, the two-hour geology tour, and the four-hour wild caving tour. Each tour takes visitors to a different area of the cave and showcases stalactites, stalagmites, flowstone, fossils, and cave pools. Reservations are recommended. One-hour scenic Mystery Cave tour begins May 13, with all other cave tours starting May 27.

When the **Soudan Mine** opened in 1882, it was Minnesota’s first iron ore mine. This year, the mine shaft that provides underground access is undergoing restoration, but visitors can still enjoy a one-hour surface tour. Tour participants are guided through the various Soudan Mine surface facilities, where they gain insight into the life of a miner, see what happened to the ore after it was extracted, and learn about the process of preparing ore for shipment on its way to becoming steel. Reservations are required. Soudan Mine tours begin May 27.

State Park webpages, which can be found on the DNR’s state parks list (mndnr.gov/park-list), include tour descriptions with information on age restrictions and appropriate tour apparel, such as walking shoes. Visitor alerts containing information about closures, construction and current park conditions are also available on park webpages.

A state parks vehicle permit is not needed for the parking area at the visitor center at Soudan Underground Mine. However, tour participants at Blue Mounds and Forestville/Mystery Cave state parks will need a vehicle permit to drive into the park. The cost is \$7 per day, or \$35 per year for unlimited visits to all 75 state parks and recreation areas. Vehicle permits can be purchased on the DNR’s state parks permit webpage (mndnr.gov/permit) or in person during open hours at state park offices.

New report shows Minnesota’s drinking water systems are resilient but face challenges

Vast majority of public systems met drinking water standards despite challenges

A new drinking water report from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) shows that while some areas of the state face challenges including quantity, quality and aging infrastructure, most public water systems have met all the regulations of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act. The report also shows nearly 98% of Minnesotans who get their drinking water from a community public water system received water that met all federal health-based standards throughout the year.

The latest annual drinking water report assesses how well public water supply systems are doing at meeting the standards set in the federal Safe Drinking Water Act. Results of monitoring by MDH engineers and public health sanitarians

indicate that drinking water is generally in good shape in Minnesota’s 6,649 public water systems.

Release of the Minnesota Drinking Water Annual Report for 2022 comes in conjunction with Gov. Tim Walz declaring May 7-13 as Safe Drinking Water Week in Minnesota, a time when water professionals and the communities they serve jointly recognize the vital role water plays in people’s daily lives.

“The health of our drinking water sources is interconnected with the health of our communities, environment and climate,” Governor Walz said in his proclamation for Safe Drinking Water Week. “Protection of drinking water sources is achieved through collective

action, collaboration and partnerships.”

Minnesota Commissioner of Health Dr. Brooke Cunningham emphasized the value of partnerships. “Providing reliable and safe drinking water to homes and businesses is the result of hard work and extensive partnerships,” Commissioner Cunningham said. “Thanks to these partnerships, even in times like COVID-19, we can still go to our home faucets and expect to have plenty of safe water.”

The annual report also includes brief discussions of key initiatives such as:

- Efforts to identify and address new contaminants, such as PFAS, that could affect drinking water quality.
- Ongoing measures to protect users of public water systems from lead contamination in homes, schools, and childcare facilities.
- Infrastructure needs, particularly with regard to funding the replacement of lead service lines.
- Resiliency in dealing with severe weather events brought on by climate change.
- Health equity and affordable water as a human right.

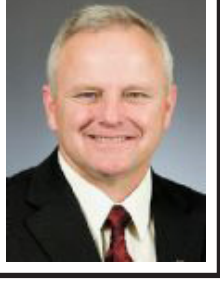
According to the report, only rare contamination problems occurred in 2022 in

Minnesota’s 964 community water systems (including 730 city water systems) and the state’s 5,685 noncommunity systems, which serve water to people in places other than their homes, such as factories, schools and resorts. Those problems and what was or is being done to address them are noted in the report.

In addition to the report issued by the state, communities across Minnesota are required to issue their Consumer Confidence Reports to their public water supply customers by July 1 each year. Those reports provide summary details on the results of monitoring for each public water system.

Legislative Report

By Senator Steve Green
R-Fosston
District 2



We are now one week closer to wrapping the budget cycle portion of the legislative session.

Most policy and fiscal bills are now being discussed in conference committee and will be coming to the Senate floor for final votes.

This week we will be taking up another new bureaucratic expansion and tax on Minnesota citizens, this time for Paid Family Leave.

Last year Republicans had put forward a proposal that was more focused on a business/employee model and worked on the hopes of managing cost and cutting out government overregulation.

The proposed Democrat version that we will be hearing will be creating a new agency, with hundreds of full-time employees, with a brand-new government software system, to help manage this new PAYROLL tax.

We have had repeated issues getting an accurate cost of managing this new

program going forward, and the current price tag is \$1 billion in new government spending to operate this program.

On top of being extremely problematic for small businesses, especially in Greater Minnesota, one must also factor in that the requirement will impact all schools, counties, and cities, those entities may have to increase local taxes so they can absorb their employer costs.

Minnesota finds itself in an interesting situation that despite coming into this year with an \$18 billion dollar surplus, we have now effectively spent every last dollar, with a new state budget coming in at \$70 billion, up from \$52 billion for the years of 22’ and 23’. Hopefully we will be able to navigate all the new spending and programs without succumbing to any major deficits or reactive tax increases.

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UPCOMING ACTIVITIES FOR MAY/JUNE

Wed. 10th: Club Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Executive Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Fri. 12th: Steak & Shrimp Supper, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Tues. 16th: Clearwater Co Republicans, 7:30 p.m.
Wed. 17th: Post Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Fri. 19th: BBQ Rib Supper, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Fri. 26th: Burger & Taco Salad Night, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Wed. 31st: LSS Cooking Class, 12:30-2:00 p.m.

June Schedule Coming Soon!

HAPPY HOUR:
Monday -Thursday, 4:30-6:30
Friday, 3:00- 5:00 p.m.

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Thoughts from the Sheriff Clearwater County Sheriff Darin Halverson

It feels like it took forever, but we finally made it through the winter months. The warmer temperatures pave the way for the anticipated 2023 fishing opener set to start on May 13th. I want to use this time to remind anglers, and others using the abundant waters of our state, about some boating rules and safety tips to ensure a safe boating season.

First off, the water temperatures in our area are still very cold. It takes until July most years to have the surface temperature of lakes to be the same as air temperatures. If you fall out of your boat and end up in the water, the cold-water temperatures will pose a significant danger to you, regardless of your swimming ability. In water temperatures of 32.5-40 degrees Fahrenheit, it only takes 15-30 minutes for you to succumb to exhaustion or unconsciousness. Your expected time of survival ranges from 30-90 minutes. As water temperatures increase, so do your chances of survival.

If you find yourself in cold water, wearing your life jacket will be your best chance for survival. When a person falls into cold water, the body has the reaction of taking a deep breath because of the shock to the body. It is that first deep breath that can be fatal if you are under the water when that reaction occurs. If you have a life vest on it will not only help you resurface but keep you floating without having to exert too much energy. The amount of time you have to keep meaningful movement in your extremities is limited in cold water, so it is important to assess the situation you're in and decide on how to get out of the water. Time is not on your side, so please wear your life vest, especially in the early season. It may just save your life.

Another factor that can

lead to a tragedy is mixing boating with alcohol. Alcohol is the number one factor in boating fatalities. I've had people ask me if it is legal to be drinking while boating. The answer to that question is yes, you can drink alcoholic beverages aboard a boat and have open containers. The Boating While Impaired (BWI) laws are targeted at individuals who are operating a motorboat that is not anchored, beached, or docked. The blood alcohol concentration for a BWI is the same as Driving While Impaired (DWI) which is a .08 BAC. If you have repeat BWI's, the level of crime can be enhanced to a felony just like in a DWI case. Please keep this in mind when you are out enjoying the summer sun on your boat. If you're going to drink, do so responsibly.

A few more reminders to keep you safe this summer if you go out fishing or boating include telling someone where you're going and what time you are expecting to be back. If you have a cell phone, bring it with you in case your plans change or some kind of accident happens. Don't assume that your phone will work in all places. There are many dead spots throughout our county where you will not have cell service. Whomever you told of your plans should also know that if you don't show up when you're supposed to and they haven't heard anything different, to call 911 immediately. As I stated earlier, time is important if a rescue would need to be initiated.

Next, be alert to weather changes. Don't stay on the water if you see a storm approaching. Lightning and strong winds can be a very serious threat if you are on the water in a boat. If you happen to be on a bigger body of water, strong winds can cause large waves which make the risk of capsizing

much more likely. Depending on the size of your boat, even smaller bodies of water can have waves big enough to capsize your boat. If you find yourself in rough water, slow down. Doing this will help you avoid capsizing.

Lastly, be familiar with your boat and how it operates. Stay seated and low in the boat when it is moving to avoid falling over and stay alert to dangers in the water such as rocks, trees, or other floating objects. And remember, be courteous to others who are also using the waters of our state.

I hope that everyone has

a great summer and takes the time to enjoy all of our local area lakes. We are truly fortunate to have such a great natural resource so readily available to us. Get out and enjoy it and good luck.

If you have questions that you would like answered or any suggestions, please email me at darin.halverson@clearwatercountymn.gov or call the Sheriff's Office at 218-694-6226. You can also find us on Facebook by searching for Clearwater County Sheriff's Office.

Thank you and as always, I am honored to serve as your Clearwater County Sheriff.



Ask a Trooper By Sgt. Jesse Grabow MN State Patrol

Question: My husband always used to say, "never use your cruise control during any rain". Is that still true with advances in tires and technology?

Answer: He is correct, cruise control should never be used on wet or icy roadways. If your wheels lose traction, the cruise control will continue to accelerate, causing the vehicle to skid. By the time you realize you are skidding, it could be too late.

With dry road conditions, cruise control helps you safely monitor your speed, stay within the speed limit and improve driving comfort on long, fairly straight stretches of road. It should be used only when you are able to drive at a steady speed with safe road conditions.

When deciding if you should set your cruise control:

- Ask yourself if it's safe to travel within the speed limit. If not, it isn't safe to set up your cruise.
- Is there limited visibility? If it's foggy, snowing, or raining and your range of visibility is significantly reduced, play it safe. Don't set your cruise.
- Is traffic moving

smoothly? If it's stop-and-go, or there's heavy traffic around you, it's not safe to use cruise.

Remember that using your cruise control can be an advantage when driving long distances, but YOU are your vehicle's best safety feature.

You can avoid a ticket — and a crash — if you simply buckle up, drive at safe speeds, pay attention and always drive sober. Help us drive Minnesota Toward Zero Deaths.

A portion of state statutes were used with permission from the Office of the Revisor of Statutes. If you have any questions concerning traffic-related laws or issues in Minnesota, send your questions to Trp. Jesse Grabow, Minnesota State Patrol at 1000 Highway 10 West, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501-2205. (You can follow him on Twitter @MSPPPIO_NW or reach him at, jesse.grabow@state.mn.us).

I was at a job interview when the manager handed me a laptop and said, "I want you to try to sell this to me." So I put it under my arm and left. Eventually he called me and said, "Bring my laptop back now." I said, "\$200 and it's yours."

Weather Forecast

| Day | High/Low | Weather | Wind | Humidity | UV Index | Precip. probability | Precipitation |
|-------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|--------------------------|--|
| Wed May 10. | 75°F / 54°F | AM Showers | Wind: 10mph SSE | Humidity: 63% | UV index: 5 | Precip. probability: 46% | Precipitation: 0.04" 5:50 am ☀ 8:44 pm CDT |
| Thu May 11. | 72°F / 55°F | Scattered Thunderstorms | Wind: 11mph SE | Humidity: 67% | UV index: 3 | Precip. probability: 39% | Precipitation: 0.31" 5:48 am ☀ 8:46 pm CDT |
| Fri May 12. | 70°F / 52°F | Showers | Wind: 13mph E | Humidity: 70% | UV index: 4 | Precip. probability: 53% | Precipitation: 0.31" 5:47 am ☀ 8:47 pm CDT |
| Sat May 13. | 66°F / 45°F | Showers | Wind: 12mph ENE | Humidity: 64% | UV index: 3 | Precip. probability: 35% | Precipitation: 0.08" 5:46 am ☀ 8:48 pm CDT |
| Sun May 14. | 68°F / 48°F | Partly Cloudy | Wind: 11mph NNE | Humidity: 50% | UV index: 6 | Precip. probability: 15% | Precipitation: 0" 5:44 am ☀ 8:49 pm CDT |
| Mon May 15. | 73°F / 48°F | Partly Cloudy | Wind: 14mph NW | Humidity: 44% | UV index: 7 | Precip. probability: 6% | Precipitation: 0" 5:43 am ☀ 8:51 pm CDT |
| Tue May 16. | 70°F / 46°F | Mostly Sunny | Wind: 12mph WNW | Humidity: 46% | UV index: 7 | Precip. probability: 4% | Precipitation: 0" 5:42 am ☀ 8:52 pm CDT |
| Wed May 17. | 64°F / 45°F | Partly Cloudy | Wind: 15mph NNW | Humidity: 49% | UV index: 6 | Precip. probability: 17% | Precipitation: 0" 5:41 am ☀ 8:53 pm CDT |

Sheriff's Log

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| City of Bagley | 05/05/23 23:55:22 Suspicious Activity |
| 04/30/23 07:18:39 Assault | |
| 04/30/23 19:23:39 Medical | |
| 05/01/23 13:24:40 Suspicious Activity | |
| 05/01/23 15:47:37 Medical | |
| 05/01/23 15:53:57 Lost/Found Property | |
| 05/01/23 20:23:21 Information Only | |
| 05/01/23 20:34:20 Information Only | |
| 05/01/23 21:58:46 911 Hang Up | |
| 05/02/23 02:35:04 Medical | |
| 05/02/23 22:48:37 Civil Complaint | |
| 05/03/23 16:15:29 Traffic Stop | |
| 05/04/23 03:52:34 Disturbance | |
| 05/04/23 10:32:06 Medical | |
| 05/04/23 14:37:57 Transport | |
| 05/04/23 15:22:38 Transport | |
| 05/04/23 23:47:48 Medical | |
| 05/05/23 13:04:37 ASSIST | |
| 05/05/23 16:47:45 Medical | |
| 05/05/23 18:12:28 Traffic Complaint | |
| 05/06/23 05:42:38 Drug Related | |
| 05/06/23 15:02:02 Assault | |
| 05/06/23 23:36:16 Traffic Stop | |
| City of Bagley Total: 22 | |
| City of Clearbrook | 04/30/23 14:22:01 Information Only |
| 04/30/23 01:45:03 Alarm | |
| 05/02/23 10:05:31 Missing/Lost Person | |
| 05/03/23 13:34:39 Information Only | |
| 05/03/23 20:38:45 Disorderly | |
| 05/04/23 08:05:03 Juvenile Misc | |
| 05/04/23 17:33:39 Information Only | |
| 05/05/23 15:32:23 Medical | |
| City of Clearbrook Total: 7 | |
| City of Gonvick | 04/30/23 20:20:29 Disturbance |
| 05/02/23 22:00:44 Juvenile Misc | |
| 05/04/23 07:59:17 Medical | |
| City of Gonvick Total: 3 | |
| City of Shevlin | 05/02/23 10:00:37 Parking Complaint |
| 05/05/23 06:43:37 Medical | |
| 05/06/23 02:15:13 Assist Other Agency | |
| City of Shevlin Total: 3 | |
| Clover | 05/03/23 05:49:05 911 Hang Up |
| Clover Total: 1 | |
| Copley | 05/02/23 17:20:02 Traffic Complaint |
| 05/06/23 23:06:55 Traffic Complaint | |
| Copley Total: 2 | |
| Dudley | 05/03/23 13:02:39 911 Hang Up |
| Dudley Total: 1 | |
| Falk | 04/30/23 12:33:08 TEST |
| 05/03/23 15:13:11 Information Only | |
| 05/04/23 11:03:14 Fire | |
| Falk Total: 3 | |
| Greenwood | 04/30/23 14:29:18 Fire |
| Greenwood Total: 1 | |
| Holst | 05/02/23 14:38:11 Information Only |
| 05/03/23 19:28:07 Medical | |
| 05/05/23 07:02:17 Traffic Stop | |
| Holst Total: 3 | |
| Itasca | 05/05/23 16:33:08 Alarm |
| Itasca Total: 1 | |
| LaPraire N | 05/01/23 16:31:03 Medical |
| 05/04/23 18:39:57 Assist Other Agency | |
| LaPraire S | 05/01/23 19:35:51 Fire |
| LaPraire S Total: 1 | |
| Leon | 05/03/23 07:00:24 Traffic Stop |
| 05/03/23 07:45:17 Traffic Stop | |
| 05/03/23 13:42:54 Sexual Conduct | |
| 05/03/23 17:21:22 Fire | |
| Leon Total: 4 | |
| Minerva | 05/06/23 08:06:45 Traffic Stop |
| Minerva Total: 1 | |
| Nora | 04/30/23 12:30:43 TEST |
| 04/30/23 17:03:21 Traffic Stop | |
| 05/04/23 07:21:56 Animal Related | |
| 05/04/23 19:23:19 Medical | |
| 05/06/23 08:35:26 Traffic Stop | |
| 05/06/23 08:45:06 Traffic Stop | |
| Nora Total: 6 | |
| Out of Jurisdiction | 04/30/23 14:22:01 Information Only |
| 05/01/23 14:41:14 Welfare Check | |
| 05/05/23 19:17:17 ASSIST | |
| Out of Jurisdiction Total: 3 | |
| Pine Lake | 04/30/23 13:35:20 Boat and Water |
| 05/02/23 21:29:45 Information Only | |
| 05/03/23 09:28:12 Welfare Check | |
| 05/04/23 15:28:29 Trespass | |
| 05/06/23 01:18:55 911 Hang Up | |
| Pine Lake Total: 5 | |
| Popple | 04/30/23 12:27:23 TEST |
| 04/30/23 14:46:32 Fire | |
| 05/04/23 09:20:28 Information Only | |
| Popple Total: 3 | |
| Rice | 05/01/23 18:31:20 Information Only |
| 05/06/23 12:36:53 Domestic | |
| Rice Total: 2 | |
| Shevlin | 05/02/23 13:01:25 Parking Complaint |
| 05/03/23 08:14:09 Information Only | |
| 05/03/23 18:46:29 Medical | |
| 05/05/23 18:53:06 Welfare Check | |
| 05/05/23 23:24:17 Traffic Stop | |
| 05/06/23 10:16:29 Animal Related | |
| 05/06/23 22:38:55 Traffic Complaint | |
| Shevlin Total: 7 | |
| Winsor | 05/05/23 12:48:36 Civil Complaint |
| Winsor Total: 1 | |
| Total Records: 83 | |

Clearwater County District Court Calendar

| Party Name | Hearing Date/Time | Hearing Type | Connection Type | Case Number |
|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Bagley Public Schools | 05/10/2023 1:30 PM | Review Hearing | Petitioner | 15-JV-22-35 |
| Beckett, Scott Robert | 05/09/2023 10:00 AM | Plea Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-21-462 |
| Beckett, Scott Robert | 05/09/2023 10:00 AM | Plea Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-21-147 |
| Bromaghin, Benjamin Roy | 05/10/2023 10:00 AM | First Appearance | Defendant | 15-CR-23-164 |
| Burns, Riley William | 05/10/2023 10:00 AM | Initial Appearance - Rule 8 | Defendant | 15-CR-23-194 |
| Busse, Erica Lynn | 05/10/2023 9:00 AM | Pre-trial | Defendant | 15-VB-20-5 |
| Busse, Erica Lynn | 05/10/2023 9:00 AM | Pre-trial | Defendant | 15-VB-20-356 |
| Cassidy, Robert James | 05/10/2023 9:00 AM | Pre-trial | Defendant | 15-CR-22-526 |
| Colgrove, Abraham James | 05/09/2023 10:30 AM | Settlement Conference | Defendant | 15-CR-22-555 |
| Coyer, Levi Allen | 05/10/2023 9:00 AM | Probation Violation Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-20-98 |
| Coyer, Levi Allen | 05/10/2023 9:00 AM | Probation Violation Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-21-30 |
| Coyle, Emily Carmel | 05/10/2023 1:00 PM | Default Hearing | Petitioner | 15-FA-22-616 |
| Coyle, Lucas James | 05/10/2023 1:00 PM | Default Hearing | Respondent | 15-FA-22-616 |
| Dolan, Neil Henry | 05/10/2023 2:30 PM | Sentencing | Defendant | 15-CR-22-482 |
| Dolan, Neil Henry | 05/10/2023 2:30 PM | Sentencing | Defendant | 15-CR-22-36 |
| Dolan, Neil Henry | 05/10/2023 2:30 PM | Sentencing | Defendant | 15-CR-21-523 |
| Eichstadt, Kaydance Rose | 05/10/2023 9:00 AM | Plea Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-23-8 |
| Goodwin, Thomas Wayne, Sr. | 05/10/2023 9:00 AM | Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-22-510 |
| Grace, Cory Shawn | 05/10/2023 9:00 AM | Omnibus Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-22-396 |
| Grace, Cory Shawn | 05/10/2023 9:00 AM | Omnibus Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-23-26 |
| Iverson, Travis Thomas | 05/10/2023 9:00 AM | Admit/Deny Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-20-318 |
| Kingbird, Janae Marlee | 05/10/2023 10:00 AM | Omnibus Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-22-594 |
| Klicker, Gabrielle Lorene | 05/09/2023 10:30 AM | Settlement Conference | Defendant | 15-CR-22-410 |
| Klicker, Gabrielle Lorene | 05/09/2023 10:30 AM | Settlement Conference | Defendant | 15-CR-21-528 |
| Klicker, Gabrielle Lorene | 05/09/2023 10:30 AM | Settlement Conference | Defendant | 15-CR-21-591 |
| Klicker, Gabrielle Lorene | 05/09/2023 10:30 AM | Settlement Conference | Defendant | 15-CR-22-165 |
| Lovejoy, Cruz Andrew | 05/10/2023 10:00 AM | Omnibus Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-23-155 |
| Lovejoy, Cruz Andrew | 05/10/2023 10:00 AM | Probation Violation Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-23-2 |
| Lussier, Dayon Anthony | 05/10/2023 9:00 AM | Arraignment | Defendant | 15-CR-23-93 |
| Mather, Darren Lee | 05/10/2023 9:00 AM | Plea Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-23-65 |
| McFall, Anna Maria | 05/10/2023 2:00 PM | Scheduling Conference | Petitioner | 15-FA-22-28 |
| McFall, Bryan Keith | 05/10/2023 2:00 PM | Scheduling Conference | Respondent | 15-FA-22-28 |
| Miller, Shawnee Rae | 05/09/2023 10:30 AM | Settlement Conference | Defendant | 15-CR-22-608 |
| Mitchell, Amanda Kay | 05/09/2023 10:30 AM | Settlement Conference | Defendant | 15-CR-22-88 |
| Mongru, Khesho P | 05/10/2023 10:00 AM | Arraignment | Defendant | 15-VB-23-116 |
| Norgaard, Martin Arthur | 05/10/2023 9:00 AM | Omnibus Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-23-168 |
| Shepard, Eric Floyd | 05/12/2023 8:30 AM | Motion Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-23-104 |
| Shepard, Eric Floyd | 05/12/2023 8:30 AM | Motion Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-23-125 |
| Shepard, Eric Floyd | 05/12/2023 8:30 AM | Motion Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-23-88 |
| Snyder, Kris Leland | 05/09/2023 10:30 AM | Settlement Conference | Defendant | 15-CR-22-465 |
| St. Cyr, Jerilee Lynn | 05/09/2023 10:30 AM | Settlement Conference | Defendant | 15-CR-22-439 |
| Thompson, Jason N. | 05/10/2023 10:00 AM | Probation Violation Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-22-543 |
| Thompson, Jason N. | 05/10/2023 10:00 AM | Initial Appearance - Rule 8 | Defendant | 15-CR-22-645 |
| Thompson, Jason Nathaniel | 05/10/2023 10:00 AM | Pre-trial | Defendant | 15-CR-22-407 |
| Thompson, Jason Nathaniel | 05/10/2023 10:00 AM | Probation Violation Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-21-13 |
| Thompson, Stephan Thomas | 05/09/2023 9:00 AM | Contested Omnibus | Defendant | 15-CR-23-137 |
| Thompson, Stephan Thomas | 05/09/2023 9:00 AM | Contested Omnibus | Defendant | 15-CR-23-136 |
| Thompson, Stephen Thomas | 05/09/2023 9:00 AM | Omnibus Hearing | Defendant | 15-CR-21-328 |
| Wilde, Joshua Kyle | 05/09/2023 1:15 PM | Contested Omnibus | Defendant | 15-CR-22-393 |
| Wood, Shane Thomas | 05/10/2023 10:00 AM | Arraignment | Defendant | 15-CR-23-165 |

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Crime and tyranny

Well, one Jordan Neely is dead and the Marine who put him in the fatal chokehold has been identified as Daniel Penny. No charges have been filed but the usual suspects are already howling for his blood, most notably the Rev. Al Sharpton.

“I’m looking at the video. You got one man choking and the other holding him down. They all need to be in front of a grand jury,” Sharpton said.

Sharpton over the course of his career has incited riots in which 11 people were murdered but remains a free man.

Protestors have been flooding the subway and jumping on the tracks to slow down the system. Ironically making the stations more crowded than they’ve been of late as subway ridership has been way down due to crazy people aggressively panhandling and attacking people at random. Such as the Asian lady who was thrown onto the tracks in front of a train, or the Asian lady who was beaten to within an inch of her life, or the gay man pummeled by someone shouting homophobic slurs... examples multiply.

Sharpton, AOC, and “Public Advocate” Jumaane Williams are calling this a hate crime by a White Supremacist. Photos of the incident however show Penny was only one of two men restraining Neely and the other is black.

This incident brings into focus a feature of life in some of our largest cities. Street crime is making certain urban areas unlivable and the law is doing nothing to suppress it. Suspects arrested are often back on the street before their victims can get home.

Felonies have been downgraded to misdemeanors. Flash mobs looting stores unopposed has become common enough for

some retail outlets to abandon the inner cities.

And by now everyone knows about the homeless encampments of Los Angeles and the feces-coated streets of San Francisco.

There’s no point arguing over solutions, the solution is known. Put crazy people in mental institutions and criminals in jail. Don’t pass laws with harsher sentences, enforce the ones we’ve got.

Rudy Guiliani actually succeeded in making New York more livable but since then the people of the Big Apple have seen fit to elect mayors and city councilmen who are in that old right-wing trope, “soft on crime.”

Inevitably when anyone advocates for letting the police do their jobs and backing them with convictions and sentences, people who don’t live with the problem will accuse them of advocating for a “police state.”

So, I’m going to let them in on something I discovered while living in actual police states and recovering police states. “Soft on crime” is not a bug in liberal democracies, it’s a feature of dictatorships.

The paradox of police states is that they have lousy police.

No, I don’t mean brutal and cruel, I mean undertrained, under-armed, and not good for much but marching around in threes. (Because “One can read, one can write, and the other to keep an eye on the two intellectuals.”)

The heavy hitters in law enforcement are special units devoted to suppressing dissent.

Leftist intellectuals who live far from the gritty reality of the streets tend to see criminals as “Primitive Rebels” in the title of a book by Marxist historian Eric Hobsbawm.

Dictatorships have little interest in suppressing crime, and in fact are sympathetic to criminals. (Read Soviet-era prison literature and you’ll notice criminals formed an aristocracy in the Gulag lordling it over the political.)

And they are ferociously hostile towards citizen self-defense.

The clamor from the Left is for Penny’s blood, and I greatly fear they will get it.



An inconvenient test

The long era of the dominance of the SAT in college admissions is coming to an end.

The test is increasingly being shelved not because it failed but because it succeeded in all the wrong ways.

According to a survey from an anti-testing outfit, more than 80% of four-year colleges won’t require standardized tests for admissions this coming fall. Many have made the tests optional, and some won’t consider them at all. In a swath of academia, the seamless expedient of dropping the tests has seamlessly transitioned to a permanent change.

If this isn’t a leap forward for fairness or rationality, it is another ringing victory for the equity of “diversity, equity, and inclusion” fame. With homework now on the chopping block for not being equitable enough -- kids with involved parents tend to actually do their homework -- it shouldn’t be a surprise that the SAT is being shown the door.

(If only there were some time-honored arrangement to have two adults wholly devoted to the well-being of one or more children regardless of their race or income and providing support, discipline, and moral instruction.)

The SAT, with its signature four-option multiple-choice answers, isn’t perfect. As a mass-administered, easy-to-grade, objective test, though, it’s hard to beat.

Despite progressive denialism, it has been established that the SAT and ACT predict academic performance.

As the renegade academic Freddie deBoer points out, there is a correlation between family income and SAT scores, but it doesn’t account for most of the divergence in scores.

TITLE: Nonetheless, other metrics that schools consider in the admissions process are just as susceptible, if not more, to socioeconomic factors.

As the writer and scientist Erik Hoel puts it,

“On the one side there is the litany of activities, academic successes, and school pedigrees that make up the bulk of a good college application, and the massive amounts of wealth and parental involvement that implies from essentially diapers onwards, and, on the other side, there’s a \$20 Kaplan SAT prep book and getting your butt in a chair to go through example problems.”

MIT, which can’t fool around thanks to its demanding math requirements, has bucked the trend toward minimizing or dumping the SAT. The dean of admissions explained in 2022 why the school was bringing back the SAT requirement after the pandemic: “Our ability to accurately predict student academic success at MIT is significantly improved by considering standardized testing -- especially in mathematics -- alongside other factors.”

The deeper problem with the SAT, of course, is that it doesn’t produce the racial outcomes that the people who run institutions of higher education, especially elite ones, want.

The test that has been smeared as a tool of white supremacy is a conveyor belt for Asian Americans into top colleges in numbers that college administrators find embarrassing and inconvenient. So, they have an affirmation-action regime designed to keep those numbers down, and fine-tune the racial balance of their student bodies to their liking.

This is where the SAT is unwelcome in another way. As a measure of preparedness with hard numbers attached, it provides incontrovertible evidence of the racial bias against Asian Americans.

With a potential loss in the Supreme Court’s big affirmative action case looming, colleges and universities are already finding a way to finagle out of the decision. Without the SAT, they can continue to get the racial results they want without as obvious a paper trail.

In Agatha Christie terms, the crime will no longer be carried out with a candlestick but small, untraceable doses of arsenic.

If it’s harder to find the best future students, or at least the best future students who haven’t been building their resumes toward an impressive college application from a very young age, so be it.

You can have the twisted notion of equity that now prevails throughout our elite culture, or you can have a test that demonstrates academic talent regardless of race, but you can’t have both. Academia is making its choice.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.
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Legislative Report

By Rep. Matt Bliss
R-Pennington
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Greetings from St. Paul, where only two full weeks remain before the 2023 legislative session is set to adjourn. Here’s a look at this week’s notes:

Minnesota’s fishing opener is May 13, a time many of us look forward to for many reasons. We will have a great time and might not even notice the governor is breaking from tradition by not attending his very own Governor’s Fishing Opener event this year. He is scheduled to be out of state as those festivities take place in the Mankato area, but that’s another story. On a somewhat related note, an omnibus budget bill House Democrats recently approved raises fees for fishing, boat registrations and visiting state parks. Those increases have not received formal approval or enactment, so it currently is not an issue today, but higher prices could be in store pending the results of this session.

The House majority’s budget bills, which combine to increase state spending by 40 percent and raise taxes by \$9.5 billion despite a \$17.5 billion surplus, remain in the hands of conference

committees that are working to reconcile differences between House and Senate proposals.

I continue monitoring the public safety package, where gun-control provisions (universal gun registry and red flag confiscation orders) are part of the discussion. I strongly oppose these measures and hope they are stripped by the conference committee.

Aside from my general appreciation for the Second Amendment, I have significant concerns over the red flag measure and how it could play out in real life. A red flag law could result in firearms being confiscated from a person but does not address the underlying issues and leaves people in what could be a dangerous domestic situation. Leaving mental-health pamphlets on the kitchen table as you confiscate their guns is not a serious solution.

As we await developments on that issue and other budget packages, here are some other notes from this week:

House Democrats approved legislation Tuesday which will hurt employee

wages and damage businesses by establishing a mandatory paid leave program funded by a new tax on employers and workers at a time the state has a \$17.5 billion surplus.

The program House Democrats propose takes a one-size-fits-all approach that lacks flexibility our businesses need, particularly in Greater Minnesota. Their plan fails to recognize how many employers in rural parts of our state only have one or two employees – and are more than happy to work with them to make accommodations. A heavy-handed state mandate is the last thing our job creators and workers need these days.

The program (H.F. 2) would cost billions of dollars to get up and running and require as many as 400 new full-time government employees to develop and administrate. The program applies to virtually every industry in the state – private employers, nonprofits, cities, counties, and school districts – despite objections. It would be funded with a \$2.9 billion tax on employers and employees and expands employers’ leave obligations to part-time and temporary employees.

All this, when the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce reports 80 percent of its members already provide paid family leave.

Unlike the Federal Family and Medical Leave Act, which only applies to employers with 50 or more employees,



Constitution Minute #40

How the States can Man-up regarding abortion

If the American People [and American lawyers] had been properly educated, they would know that “Abortion” is not listed among the enumerated powers. Therefore, it is a *State* matter, not federal. And since “abortion” isn’t “expressly contained” in the Constitution, it doesn’t “arise under” the Constitution; and since *State* laws restricting abortion don’t fit within any of the other categories of cases the federal courts are authorized by Art. III, Sec.2, cl. 1 to hear, the federal courts also have no power over this issue.

Because regulating “abortion” is a power reserved by the States or the People, *State* Legislatures can enact State Statutes restricting (or not restricting) abortion.

When a lawsuit is filed in Federal District Court alleging that the State Statute violates the US Constitution, the *State* Attorney General

should file a motion in the Court to dismiss for lack of subject matter jurisdiction. He should point out that the Court has no constitutional authority to hear the case; that “abortion” is one of the many powers reserved by the *States*; and that the *State* Legislature properly exercised its retained sovereign power when it enacted the Statute restricting abortion.

The *State* Attorney General should also advise the Court that if the Court denies the Motion to Dismiss, the State will not participate in the litigation and will not submit to any pretended Orders or Judgments issued by the Court.

Now! Here is an interesting fact which everyone would already know if they had had a proper education in civics: Federal courts have no power to enforce their own Judgments and Orders. They must depend on the

Executive Branch of the federal government to carry out their Judgments and Orders.

Please understand: An opinion or ruling from a federal court means *nothing* unless the Executive Branch chooses to enforce it.

I suggest, dear Reader, that we must purge our thinking of the assumption that we can’t have a moral and constitutional government unless Five Judges on the Supreme Court say we can have it. Since it is clear that federal courts have no constitutional authority over abortion, why do we go along with the pretense that they do? Why not just man-up and tell them, “*You have no jurisdiction over this issue!*”?

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this program would apply to all employers including those with only one employee. Employees can stack leave together, allowing for up to 24 weeks of paid time off per year.

On the other hand, Republicans have developed a plan which takes a different approach, providing a small-business tax credit to incentivize employers to join the plan. The key difference is the minority’s plan provides paid family and medical leave benefits for employees without job-crushing mandates and new taxes.

The House Republican proposal provides a small business tax credit to incentivize employers to

join the plan. Minnesotans may opt into the program for \$5 per week if an employer does not join by using the parameters of the state’s paid leave policy, leveraging the power of the state’s 10s of thousands of employees. Employees who are satisfied with current benefits offered by their employers can keep them without being forced onto a government-run program.

We need to adopt a model where employers can voluntarily participate in a partnership with the state instead of the state acting as an overlord. The House Republican plan makes this happen without new taxes and mandates.

Furthermore, the House Republican option is backed by an insurance company, so taxpayers will not be expected to cover the costs of program shortfalls or losses. Benefits would be available to Minnesotans this Jan. 1 – a full 18 months earlier than the House Democrat proposal.

The House Republican plan was offered as an amendment to the Democrat bill on Tuesday. House Democrats voted down that offering before approving their own bill, sending it to the Senate for action.

Stay tuned for more soon and, as always, your input is appreciated.

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By Janet Schafer

2017: The City-Wide garage sale had well over 50 households who participated. After a two-year break, Breakfast on the Farm will return in 2017. This year's event will be hosted by the Robert Johnson farm of Clearbrook.

The Bagley/Fosston track and field teams were finally able to catch a break in the weather and host a meet of their own on May 1st. The girls Jr. team took second to Bemidji as did the boys Jr. high team.

Bagley High School brought home a trophy from the recent large group choir competition held at Bemidji State University. On April 5, they earned "Star" status. Contestants from BHS are Samantha Molitor, Logan Engesether, Harley Thompson, Hannah Agnes, Kayla Wilcowski, Faith Broten, Esther Natrass, Peyton Hinrichs, Dimitri Frank, Davin Rock, Nick Rohrer, Rickel Swenson, Jenika Moen, Kade Schott and Nikita Vinson.

2013: Ice or no ice, Minnesota's walleye and northern pike fishing opener is Saturday May 11. According to reports, Lake Itasca, Long Lake and Lake Lomond remain covered with ice.

Tyler Standberg and Austin Petterson from Clearbrook-Gonvick High School and Aiyana Swenson from Bagley High School placed first as a team in the general livestock competition at the Minnesota State FFA Convention on April 29th.

Gwen's Studio of Exercise and Dance in west Bagley has added Zumba to its programs. Gwen LaVine-Brown is the owner of the studio and has been involved with exercise and dance for the past 35 in the community.

The Clearwater County Historical Society will celebrate its 45th birthday on May 19.

The new logging and farming exhibit hall will be open to the public for the first time. Many items in this building have been in storage for over 15 years.

1998: A fire at Larson Lumber sees damage over \$150,000. The fire was reported around 5 a.m. on May 6, and was well underway when firefighters arrived on the scene. Still the Bagley Fire Department halted the fire from one building to the next. The most valuable piece of sawing equipment, a gang resaw, plus other machinery

was lost in the fire.

The title of Paul Harris Fellow was bestowed upon Stanley Ricke by Rotary International during a recognition night held May 4 at Angelina's in Bagley.

Gwen LaVine, of Gwen's Studio, dancers will perform on May 17, in the Bagley Elementary gymnasium. All proceeds will go to the auditorium fund or the American Cancer Society.

Clyde and Leah Sletten will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on May 16, with an open house at their home.

Lois Julin will graduate May 22, from Bemidji State University with a degree in elementary education. An open house in her honor will be held at the Village Cafe in Shevlin.

1959: Terry Anderson, Bagley senior and son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Anderson was named the 1959 Sharon Day Music Memorial Award winner by Ronald Q. Johnson on May 7, as a climax to the Spring Music Concert.

The Bagley High School Home Economics Department, headed by Mmes. Elaine Prestemon, Joyce Johnson and Miss Jean Sylvester, will feature its annual Spring Style show and Tea on May 14.

The Bagley Flyers won two and lost two in their final four baseball games of the current season. Next week the north sub district baseball tourney

will get underway.

The two youngest sons of Magnus Friborg's Donnie and Kenny sneaked away on May first and went swimming in a pond on the Friborg farm.

Tommy Davis, accompanied by Carl Foldoe, Peter Leet and "Swede" Alvin Hain left Monday for Fairbanks, Alaska, where they will try their luck for work in that area.

Merrie Robyn Olsen celebrated her 9th birthday on May 9th. Twenty guests helped her celebrate the occasion.

The Jack Pine Pals 4-H Club had a program based on Mother's Day. The theme was as follows: poem, Melva Larson; Songs, Eleanor Eldevik, Karen Osborn, Agnetta Traaseth and Austin Larson; and prayer by Gladys Traaseth.

The Third Annual Industrial

Arts Craftsmen's Fair was held at Bemidji on May 9. Three Bagley entries out of 12 were awarded high ratings by contest judges. Pictured are the three winners (from left to right): Rodney Wilcox, Frankie Shereck, and Donald Amundson.

1943: In case some of the readers of last week's Farmers Independent thought their newspaper was unusually bulky, it might interest them to know that over a ton of paper went into that issue. The largest law supplement in the history of Minnesota was responsible for most of this issue. It was amusing to note the expression of the faces of subscribers when they received this bulky issue at the post office.

Howard Norquist, deputy county auditor for seven years, left Sunday, where he reported to Fort Snelling for

duty with the United States Navy.

A large crowd attended the ladies aid in the Melvin Boe home Wednesday. The Boe's had their baby baptized, giving him the name of Gary Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ysen and family of south of Shevlin were Sunday guests in the Ole Ysen home.

S-Sgt Keith Marshall left May 11 for Camp Adair, Oregon. He has been enjoying a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marshall.

Ruth Lukkasson arrived home from Minneapolis for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Sarah Lukkasson.

Visitors to the Aamodt homes on Sunday were Mrs. Nels Aamodt and sons Oscar and Francis, and Mr. and Mrs. Miles Omdahl, all from Halstad.

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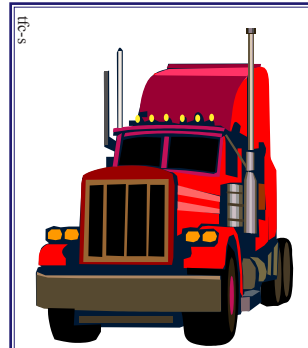
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Cautious Carol

Dear Carol,
Whether you're interested in dating again or just looking for a friend to spend time with, online dating sites and apps have become an easy and convenient way for older adults to meet new single people without ever having to leave home.

And to make things even easier, most sites today use matchmaking algorithms that factor in your interests and preferences so they can steer you to matches that are best suited for you. Here are some other tips to help you get started.

Choose a site: There are dozens of different matchmaking websites and apps available today, so choosing can be a bit confusing. While many sites offer free trials or watered-down free content, finding out the price can be difficult until you register and provide some information. In general, viewing complete profiles and messaging potential dates will require a monthly fee, which can

Best Dating Apps for Retirees

range anywhere between \$10 and \$40 per month.

Some top mainstream sites/apps that are popular among older adults are eHarmony.com, Match.com and OKCupid.com. If, however, you're interested in more age specific sites, some great options are OurTime.com or SilverSingles.com.

Or if you have a specific kind of person you'd like to meet, there are dozens of niche sites like EliteSingles.com for educated professionals; ChristianMingle.com for Christian singles; BLK-app.com for black singles; JSwipeApp.com for Jewish singles; and Facebook.com/dating for people who love Facebook.

Create a profile: When you join a matchmaking site, you'll need to create a personality profile that reflects who you are, including recent photos, hobbies, interests, favorite activities and more. If you need some help, sites like ProfileHelper.com can write one for you for a fee.

Practice caution: When you register with a site you remain anonymous. No one gets access to your personal contact information until you decide to give it out, so be prudent to whom you give it. Before meeting, you should chat on the phone or video chat a few times, and when you do meet in person for the first time, meet in a public place or

bring a friend along. And if someone asks for money or your financial information, don't give it out. Online dating/sweetheart scams are rampant so be very cautious.

Be skeptical: In an effort to get more responses, many people will exaggerate or flat out lie in their profiles, or post pictures that are 10 years old or 20 pounds lighter. So, don't believe everything you see or read.

Make an effort: A lot of times, people - especially women - sit back and let others come to them. Don't be afraid to make the first move. When you find someone you like, send a short note that says, "I really enjoyed your profile. I think we have some things in common." Keep it simple.

Don't get discouraged: If you don't get a response from someone, don't let it bother you. Just move on. There are many others that will be interested in you and it only takes one person to make online dating worthwhile.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

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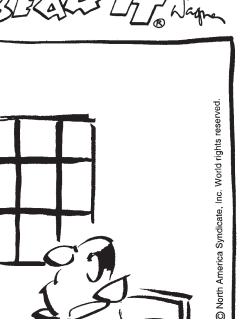
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Theology in The Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug



Kathleen Kjolhaug lives on the family homestead in northern Minnesota. She and her husband, Pete, have twelve grandchildren thus far. As a retired reading specialist, she now enjoys writing, taking walks along gravel roads and paying attention through connection with those who matter most—each of you. She's recently authored a 33 Day Devotional, "Wading into the Deep," a tool intended to connect the sacred with those who matter most in each of your lives. Kathleen may be contacted via email: wemenews@gmail.com

I suppose writers sort of write down their thoughts in order to pass them on, and bring clarity as to what's spinning within. Like the spin cycle on a washer, we sort of get rid of the excess so we can air dry the washed up product to be used all over again—by others.

That's what happened this week. I was listening to a broadcast and heard something different coming through the airwaves than what I'd heard before. Let me explain.

A man was giving an account of how he came to believe in the Christian faith and it caught my attention because it seemed so logical. He said something like this. "When I thought about people who shared their faith with me, I realized one thing. There was nobody else sharing

anything without wanting something that was in it for them. These people sharing their faith, longed to invite me into it. They wanted me to have the same thing they did."

The man on the radio went on to give various examples. I remember the gist of what he was trying to convey. Thus, these words are my own spin on it if you will.

"I never had a plumber come up to me and talk about how incredible it was to clean out sewer lines within homes and thought it was so amazing that I should do it, too! I never had an astronaut come up to me and tell me detail upon detail of all their experiences and then go on to tell me how to become an astronaut to the point where he'd teach me how to be one. I never had a business man come up to me and tell

A Writer's Thoughts

me all the ins and outs of his business—so much so that he would want to train me in to be able to become a business man just like him."

The man on the radio went on. "Oh, I heard plenty of stories about various jobs people did in life but never to the point where they explained it to me, walked along side me, and shared with me the 'how-to' manual in getting from point A to point B. All in all, they would tell me stories about their jobs, about their work, and about their experiences, but never did they sit down with me and tell me it would be life changing."

The man on the radio continued. "When people sat down with me and shared their faith, it wasn't about them—it was about me. They wanted to share what He had done to carry all of the burdens I was trying so desperately to carry myself."

The man on the radio said something to the effect, "It was at this point of rationalization that it dawned on me that there was absolutely no other area in life where others desired

more for me than I desired for myself. I knew at that point that they shared out of pure love. It was then I began to listen and figured there must be something to this."

Why would anyone want to hear the Truth of what is? I can think of a few expressed by Mother Olga. (If you are not familiar with this gentle soul who came from war-torn Iraq you might enjoy looking her up on you-tube to hear her back-story.) She says,

1. He calls us by name.
2. He gives us belonging through Baptism.
3. He gives us a home in the church.
4. Then He sends us as members of His body to accompany and strengthen others.

Oh, there are lots of things in between here and there but Mother Olga summed it up with a quote by Mother Teresa. It's her five-finger Gospel:

"You did it for Me" (Matt. 25:40). He's given these five words as pure prayer. They are a reminder that in all things it is as unto the Lord. Amen.



Musings by Mollette

Dr. Glenn Mollette is a graduate of numerous schools including Georgetown College, Southern and Lexington Seminaries in Kentucky. He is the author of 13 books including Uncommon Sense. His column is published weekly in over 600 publications in all 50 states.)

You may have lost your mother early in life or never really knew your mother. My two sons were only 17 and 20 when their mother passed away at the age of 49 from multiple sclerosis. Mother's Day is a tough day for them and many others around the world. This day may be very difficult for you.

My mother has also passed on but I remember her as one of the hardest working persons I've ever known. On Sunday and often during the week she loved getting dressed up and going to church. One of the greatest enjoyments of her life was singing in a gospel quartet with my dad and another lovely couple.

Eula Hinkle Mollette was just the best mom ever. Yes, I'm prejudiced of course.

Mom helped me with my homework. She washed and ironed my clothes. She put breakfast on the table for me every morning. She had something for me to eat every day when I came home from school. She read to me when I was a child and took care of me when I was sick. During the summer we would carry water from our nearby creek to wash clothes. Typically,

we caught rainwater in large tubs to wash our clothes but summer months often brought dry weather. We had lunch together every day during the summer break. Usually, it was a homemade sandwich and sometimes a candy bar from Grandpa Hinkle's grocery store. I once wanted root beer and she said, "You won't like it." I debated that I would but I didn't. I was stuck with the root beer.

She never hesitated to set me straight with a peach tree limb across my back side.

If she were alive today, I would try to make up for all the things I didn't do or didn't consider doing. I always had good intentions for all the things I might try to do for mom and dad but they slipped from this life before I had the opportunity.

Missed opportunities happen often to most of us. We have good intentions but often we don't have the ability to act on those intentions. I'm envious of those who are able to do a lot for their moms and dads and wish that I could have done more.

However, so often what we can do are the simplest things that mean so much. Today, I

Mother's Day and your time

don't want my family to do anything for me but call me or visit me occasionally. A hug and some shared times are the most meaningful to me. Some good quality time is actually the best gift we can give to mom, dad or anyone.

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Our King said to us in Psalm 81, "Open wide your mouth and I will fill it!" What an unusual statement. Yet, when we think of it, our King's love is limitless and His might is measureless and His knowledge of our needs is ever in His mind!

What an encouragement to pray. When we pray we open our mouths and express our needs and desires to God. If, when we pray, we are earnest and expect God to hear us and if we have been obedient to His teachings and if in our prayers we are asking Him to bless our requests in a way that will honor Him, surely He will respond to our requests.

God is able and anxious to meet our every need. If we have a loved one who has not accepted His grace, or if we have a need for food on our tables, or if we have a spouse or parent or child who is suffering with a disease that some say is incurable - are all gifts He is willing to grant us. We most never forget that God is able and anxious to hear us and help us if we "open our mouths wide in prayer."

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their year in service. Teriana Richards stated that the highlight of her year was the Department Junior Conference held April 14-15 in New Prague, MN, hosted by District 3. She loved seeing all the girls together and learning what they had done for their projects. She also mentioned meeting "old" veterans, "the advice and input they gave me was so valuable and I will keep that in mind as I head into the future." Commander

Buraas had high praises for Teriana and said, "this young woman has a VERY bright future ahead of her and was going places"! For Chery's Grover, she stated as American Legion her year as Auxiliary District 9 President will be one of the most memorable years of her life for so many reasons. Yet, her number one memory was meeting and visiting with the members of the 46 units of District 9. She stated they are a group of hardworking and dedicated individuals serving our veterans. Cheryl also spoke fondly about an

especially memorable event while attending the District Junior Conference held in Argyle on April 2nd. At one of the rally's, they were asked to answer some trivia questions; one of the questions was, "what Legion program will keep us strong into the future?" On April 2nd, Cheryl realized the answer was "our juniors" - these young juniors demonstrated that they are our future! With leaders like Teriana Richards and the Juniors across the District, this great organization will continue to grow and remain strong for years to come.



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“Clearwater Creatives’ exhibit at the Fosston Library

By Janet Brademan

The exhibit entitled “Clearwater Creatives” was celebrated with photographer, Monika Lawrence on Saturday, May 6 at the Sorensen Gallery in the Fosston Library. Monika is a photojournalist who captures the stories of other artists in their everyday surroundings. The viewing audience is drawn into the life of an artist through the beauty of the photograph. Monika also shared her plans to release a photo book that highlights the beautiful, rural scenery she had the pleasure of photographing as she traveled down many country roads and driveways. She feels she gained a genuine

appreciation for the beauty of the Clearwater County area and she hopes to share that beauty and serenity with the rest of the world. This project began in the fall of 2019 as a seed and grew to maturity in 2022. Covid impacted how the project was done from filming several sessions outside to making sure distance was maintained between Monika and each person she was seeing. However, a deep bond and appreciation developed between the photographer and each Clearwater Creative. The Bagley Area Arts Collaborative wants to thank the Fosston Community Library and Arts Association for this first art exhibit collaboration.

Sanford Bemidji to hold skin cancer screening

Sanford Bemidji Dermatology will be holding a free skin cancer screening on Monday, May 15, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1-3 p.m. at Sanford Bemidji Clinic - 1611 Anne St. NW, Bemidji. The free SPOTme® skin cancer screening will be completed by a dermatology clinician and participants will have the opportunity to schedule any necessary follow-up appointments. The screening will only cover areas traditionally sun-exposed during the winter months, including head, face, ears, neck, and arms. Appointments are required and fill up fast. For more information and to schedule

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Beltrami County Historical Society is pleased to announce the Beltrami Bicentennial, a two-day celebration Saturday, June 24, at Buena Vista Ski Area and Sunday, June 25, at Beltrami County History Center in Bemidji, MN.

The bicentennial celebrates the 200th anniversary of Italian author and surveyor Giacomo Beltrami’s visit to the United States and Minnesota. During his visit, Beltrami and his Ojibwe guides ventured through much of modern-day Beltrami County in his search for the source of the Mississippi River, which he identified as Lake Julia, just north of Bemidji.

Our event starts at 8:00 am with a 5k history walk/run at Buena Vista Ski Area. Please register on our website (<https://beltramihistory.org>) by June 1 for the family-friendly walk/run to receive a t-shirt with registration.

Featured event speakers include biogeographers and documentarians River’s Edge Geographics; former Red Lake Nation Tribal Chairman Floyd “Buck” Jourdain; Smithsonian Institute researcher emeritus Cesare Marino; and John Welle, Professor of Italian, Emeritus,

University of Notre Dame. The Historical Society is also honored to welcome Jon Romer, a flutist specializing in Native American flute, who will cap our program with a special concert on Sunday afternoon. Special exhibits will display information about Beltrami’s life and travels in the United States and Mexico.

Additionally, the Historical Society is partnering with the Museo Civico Scienze Naturali Enrico Caffi (E. Caffi Civic Museum of Natural Sciences) in Bergamo, Italy, home of the Costantino Beltrami Collection. Saturday afternoon, we will offer a live stream with museum staff, Cesare Marino, and local Native American experts to feature artifacts that Beltrami collected and took back to Italy.

Daily admission includes parking, self-guided museum/historic building tours, speakers, music, and children’s activities. Attendees are also welcome to explore our History Center gift shop, bookstore, and items made by Native American artisans. Save by purchasing commemorative badges, available at the History Center and Bemidji Woolen Mills – each badge is \$13 and includes access for both days of the bicentennial celebration!

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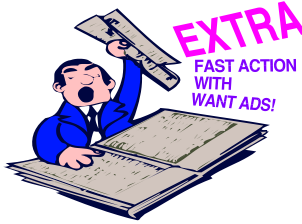
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Anyone interested in having calcium chloride applied to the road adjacent to their home or business should contact the Clearwater County Highway Department in Bagley, MN at (218) 694-6132 or you may send an email to char.syverson@co.clearwater.mn.us no later than Friday, May 26st, 2023.

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Bagley Elementary Students of the Month The following students have been chosen as Bagley Elementary's Positive Action Students of the Month for April. Back Row (L to R): Keegan Evans, Leyland Horsley, Jay Halverson, Elliot Okstad, Livia Palmer, Tristan Bower, Lydia Martin, Ida Larson, Easton Halverson, Collin LaFerriere, Emmi Skarison. Middle Row (L to R): Adelyn Carslay, Jessa Johnson, Remington Skuse, Owen Merschman, Jesse Durkin, Lucy Guinn, Serenity Peasley, Lila Goodwin, Denali Larson, Wendell Lundberg, Gunner Hilliard. Front Row (L to R): Mataya Meeshenow, Caidynce Schock, Brylen Higginbotham, Carolanne Wright, Millie Fletcher, Piper Braaten, Avery Iliff, Daycian Larson, Daleah Larson, Kaliana Thompson. Not Pictured: Davie Pagel, Kaitlyn Crane.



The top 10 students are shown here with Amanda Brustad and Mrs. Blocker: Front row (L to R): Taylor Olson, Abigail Hagen, Raylynn Miller, Peyton Prouix & Mrs. Blocker. Back row (L to R): Amanda Brustad, Evan Lafond (1st Place \$100), Elias Lafond (3rd Place \$40), Dylan Gray, Mario Bingham & Tristan Irwin (2nd Place \$60). Not pictured: Aiden Hanevold

TRIG-STAR competition held at Bagley High School

Amanda J. Brustad, a MN Licensed Land Surveyor with Brustad Land Surveying representing Chapter II of the Minnesota Society of Professional Land Surveyors, recently sponsored the 2022-2023 National Society of Professional Surveyors TRIG-STAR competition at Bagley High School. Students are given 60 minutes to complete the TRIG-STAR exam. When the TRIG-STAR competition is over there are Local, State and National Winners. Mrs. Blocker's Algebra II and Pre-Calc classes participated in the Local TRIG-STAR competition. The students were given a presentation on the land surveying profession and how trigonometry is used on a daily basis before they were given the exam. A total of 19 Bagley students participated in this Local TRIG-STAR competition. The top 10 students scores are also used to compete as a Team against other participating MN schools. The highest score in the quickest time is considered the TRIG-STAR Winner. This year's Bagley High School's Local TRIG-STAR winner is Evan Lafond. Evan is the son of Ryan & Amber Merschman.

Friend of the Food Shelf for April

By Jane Merschman

Heidi Larson is our *Friends of the Food Shelf* for April 2023. The Clearwater County Food Shelf depends on volunteers for every facet of our operation. Each Wednesday we are especially in need of manpower to collate, document and carry out the food for our clients. Heidi first came to the food shelf to volunteer with some friends on a Wednesday. Because of her heart for helping people, she has shown up to volunteer every Wednesday since then! Heidi silently and efficiently helps to organize the different volunteers each week, keep the packing area orderly and stocked, and help with the heavy lifting. Her warm personality and ready smile is a blessing to the other volunteers. Heidi is married and living in Bagley. Her grown children also live nearby. A Bagley High School graduate, she knows the needs of the community well. "The volunteers at the Food Shelf are a fun group of people to work with!" says Heidi with a smile. Thanks for showing up every Wednesday, Heidi!



Heidi Larson is the Friend of the Food Shelf for April.



Margaret Ingeborg Berentsen Schultz and her brother Gustav Berentsen celebrate milestone birthdays a week apart. Margaret turned 100 on April 27 (1923) and Gustav turned 90 on May 3 (1933). Of the 8 children, 2 girls, 6 boys, brother Olaf Berentsen is 97 and lives in Washington state. A Happy Birthday to you both! Photo by Pamela Hagen

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(Left to right) DAV State Commander Aguirre, DAV State Chaplain Saddoris, DAV National 3rd Jr Vice John Donovan.

Robert Saddoris receives award at DAV convention

During the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Minnesota Spring Convention on April 27-29, Chaplain Robert Saddoris was awarded the highest award given to a DAV member in Minnesota - the *Lyle C. Pearson Award* - honoring his dedicated service to the MN Disabled Americans Veterans and Department of MN. This was not Saddoris' first DAV of MN Award which includes: the Chapter Adjutant of the Year Award in 2011, DAV MN Leadership Award in 2013, Volunteer of the Year Award in 2014 and Recruiter of the Year Award in 2017. All were special, however, this new award brought tears to his eyes. He is very honored that DAV MN, with an approximately 19,000-member organization, has seen fit to honor him over the years. Saddoris says our members deserve the awards and our respect, as each has a disability from military service, that they will live with till they pass away. He is extremely proud to serve every disabled veteran throughout our great State. Saddoris is a member of DAV Chapter 38 Park Rapids and a Debs MN area resident.



On Thursday, May 4, 2023, Officer Ken Olson, Trooper Zach Gruver, and Sgt. Aaron Bommersbach were honored at the MADD lunch. They each received an award for outstanding DUI enforcement.



Professor Dan Allosso from BSU spoke at NELL

May 3 NELL program recap

By Pamela Hagen French

A crowd of over 40 people met at the McIntosh Community Center, in McIntosh, MN on Wednesday May 3rd to hear Professor Dan Allosso from BSU present on "The Gilded Age & Populism" for the NELL program.

From 1877 to 1896 a period of growth both in industry and a wave of immigrants mark this period in history. It was a time where there was a great burst of industrial activity and corporate growth!

At that time there were a few colorful and energetic entrepreneurs who were famously known as the "robber barons"; John Rockefeller, Vanderbilt, and J.P. Morgan to just name a few. Huge fortunes were made and lost.

This era started in the 1870's but is still influencing us today. From WWI, WWII and through the baby boomer's era and into today!

Personally, having avoided history classes all through high school and college, it was intriguing to hear an overview about such an influential period in our history.

NELL for May 10th will be at the Embassy in Fosston featuring David Wall from Bemidji. On May 17th, avid gardener Connie Nunemaker will present on Gardening for Pollinators and Wildlife at Our Saviors Lutheran Church at Ebro Corner. All programs begin at 9:30 sharp, doors open at 9:00am. Light refreshments served.

Last night the internet stopped working, so I spent a few hours with my family. They seem like good people.

Community Calendar

- May 10-15 Clearbrook Clean Up Days
- May 13 - Bemidji Area Aglow
- May 15 - Job Fair in Bemidji
- May 16 & 17 - NW Minnesota Food Pack event
- May 17 - NELL program in Ebro
- May 18 - Community Choir Concert in Bagley
- May 20 - ATV Safety Course
- May 20 - Bagley City-Wide Rummage Sale
- May 20 - Shevlin Garden Club Annual Plant Sale
- May 22 - Mobile Food Drop in Bagley
- May 24 - NELL program in Clearbrook
- May 25 - BAAC Writer's Gathering
- May 27 - Alida Farmers Market
- May 31 - NELL program in Bagley

Details (times & locations) can be found on the community calendar online at <https://farmersindependent.com/events>.

Events can be submitted using the link on the main page of the Farmers Independent website - <https://farmersindependent.com>