

Oklee Precipitation

By Einar Kvasager	Rain	Snow
17-Mar	0.5	
18-Mar	0.05	Trace
22-Mar		Trace
23-Mar		Trace
24-Mar	0.25	
Total in.	0.80	0.00

Oklee Herald

...AND CONTINUING THE PLUMMER PIONEER

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Nurse Practitioner Nicole Severts

Essentia Health Welcomes Nurse Practitioner in Fosston and Oklee

Nurse Practitioner Nicole Severts has joined the Emergency Medicine Department at Essentia Health-Fosston in Fosston, Minnesota. She will also care for patients in the Family Medicine Department at the Essentia Health-Oklee Clinic in Oklee, Minnesota.

“When I was searching for employment opportunities, I was drawn to Essentia Health’s mission - we are called to make a healthy difference in people’s lives,” says Severts. “The power of that statement made me want to be a part of this team.”

Severts earned a master’s degree in nursing from

Kaplan University in Chicago, Illinois. She is certified as an emergency registered nurse by the Board of Certification for Emergency Nurses, and as a family nurse practitioner by the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners.

“I worked as a registered nurse for more than 10 years prior to getting my advanced degree, and I love taking care of people,” says Severts. “I treat everyone in my care as I would want to be treated.”

To schedule an appointment with Severts at the Oklee Clinic, call (218) 796-4525. To see her full profile, visit EssentiaHealth.org.

March City of Oklee Council meeting

On March 13, 2017, the City of Oklee held their monthly meeting at the Oklee Cafe at 6:00 p.m.

All members of the council were present: Paul Cyr, Matthew Genova, Lori Melby and Kaye Munt. Also present were Mayor George Burthwick; Clerk Derek Cross; and Darrell Tougas from Maintenance.

Other present at the meeting were Deputy Casey Roisland and Sheriff Mitch Bernstein.

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor and first on the agenda was the minutes from the last meeting. Genova had a question for Cross on the correction that was to be put in the paper from the previous meeting stating that he felt Cross did not adequately fix the minutes, and Cross did not have a copy of the fixed minutes for the Council to look at. Cross said he had fixed the minutes and after a short discussion on a better way to record the minutes for accuracy, the council moved on to approve the minutes with a motion by Melby, seconded by Munt.

A nomination for Assistant Mayor position to be held by Paul Cyr was made by Melby and seconded by Munt.

The Sheriff’s report was given by Mitch Bernstein who reported that Oklee has been quiet and reminded the Council if there were any damages caused by spring flooding, to make sure to keep track of expenses to be used if county was to be declared an emergency. It is doubtful at this point, since the snow has melted quite slowly. Bernstein also reported that there will be a meeting of the Emergency Services soon and the information will be sent out to persons required to attend.

The Red Lake County Fair Board members were at the Council meeting to discuss a few items regarding the upcoming Fair in June. Sheriff Bernstein was asked to stay for this portion of the meeting since policing will be needed at the Fair.

Representing the Fair Board

was Greg Melin, Ryan Gyskiewicz, and Jarrod Larson. This year, the Red Lake County Fair has contracted for a two day rodeo for Friday and Saturday night. The original location the Board was working on has not worked out. Question to the City of Oklee was about other possible locations that would be acceptable. Locations for the Rodeo to set up were discussed along with liquor licenses for the events at the rodeo, Baja race and the two dances planned. The City of Oklee requires location descriptions, along with dates and times and the Council will approve what is required. Genova made a motion, seconded by Cyr to approve the needed documents and leases needed by the Fair once the required information has been supplied to the Clerk.

Other questions were if the City of Oklee required Food Vendor Permits. The City doesn’t not, but the Food Vendors need to have their Food License up-to-date. The Fair Board is expecting potentially a 1000 persons a day with the rodeo in town for the two days and the Baja will be held on Sunday.

The Oklee Historical Society request to build quilt display cases which will require a few other displays to be relocated was brought to the table. Bonny Cote, current president of the Historical Society reported she had talked to the required person and was given permission to move the other displays to make room for the new quilt displays. The City Council have their approval to move on with the quilt project.

Utilities and empty houses was next discussed. There are a number of houses that are empty and will never house persons again. What should the City of Oklee do with these properties was the question. Usually if a house is still physically connected to the water & sewer systems, the owner is required to pay a half rate. The Council was asked to think about this so a discussion on

this issue can be discussed at the next meeting.

Clerk Cross brought to the attention of the Council that the trailer lots the City of Oklee purchased earlier, were going to be available for sale, as a person has come to the City looking for lots. The Council said to go ahead and sell.

Tougas reported on the maintenance of the City of Oklee. He would like to have Johnson Jetting to come and help get the pond unplugged once again. The use of wipes is causing issues and Tougas is expecting to get worse as it is all ages that use wipes. Unfortunately, the wipes get flushed and they do not disintegrate.

Tougas has looked into the prices of a digester to fix the problem, but the cost is approximately \$20,000 and they would have to run 24 hours a day, seven days a week all year long. The electrical needs and maintenance would also add to the cost.

At this time, Tougas is using disposable baskets he makes to catch the wipes and other things flushed into the system, changing them out twice a week. This is expected to double according to reports he has received. Asking what was best action to take by Rural Water, Tougas was told to start with education of the public using newspapers, brochures, etc.

Different types of systems were briefly discussed, with Tougas explaining that our system was a gravity system and McIntosh’s wasn’t. Asked if there was a way to pressurize the system, Tougas answered no, that is not possible.

Genova and Melby approved education materials to be mailed out twice a year to educate the public.

Tougas next asked if he could get a couple of volunteers for help removing sludge from the bottom of the pond. He needs one on the boat, one in the pond, and one other person. No one on the Council volunteer, they wished him well on finding volunteers. He would also

like to have Johnson Jetting to come in to do the final cleaning after the sludge is removed. Rural Water is going to help with this project and will let Tougas know when it will be done. Council told Tougas to move ahead with his plan.

The Baker House water problem was once again discussed. The water has been shut off at the Skating Rink to see if that is the possible water leak.

The Financials were looked at and Mayor Burthwick suggested to the Council that a few items may be needed to be added to the future budgets. The City of Oklee/Rural Fire will soon need a new fire truck. The City may need a new skid steer this fall and a new mower is on the list also. A motion by Melby, seconded by Cyr to get bids on the mower was made and approved.

One other item was mentioned as a FYI. The three policing contract will be up next year.

The financial reports were approved with a motion by Genova, seconded by Melby, carried. The bills were paid with a motion by Genova and seconded by Cyr, carried.

County Engineer Korky Kleven had informed Oklee that they had been included in the EcoFootprint Grant he has been working on with Enbridge. The City of Oklee Council, told Cross to inform Kleven to go forward with the plan.

Genova asked the Council to please continue to work on the nuisance properties as we go into March. Genova mentioned three properties he felt needed to be dealt with. Letters should be sent out to the owners. Genova also asked the other Council members to drive around including alleys to see what issues there are in the City that needs attention. He also encouraged continued work with a Clean Up Day and cooperation from the homeowners.

The meeting was adjourned with a motion my Munt, seconded by Genova.

RLCC High School presents “Arsenic and Old Lace”



Cast: Lying down is Dede Walton as Officer O'Hara. Front row (l to r): Jayden Iverson as Officer Klein, Sydney Melby as Abby Brewster, Jade Person as Dr. Einstein, Hannah Kolstoe as Martha Brewster. Middle Row (l to r): Kara Longtin as Elaine Harper, Remy Ransack as Mr. Witherspoon, Natalie Aakhus as Teddy, Brewster, Heather Longtin as Lieutenant Rooney. Back row (l to r): Tom Nelson as Mortimer Brewster, Nick Pahlen as Jonathan Brewster, Tera Qualley as Officer Brophay, Britain Arl as Rev. Dr. Harper, Abby Walton as Mr. Gibbs.

RLCC High School will be presenting the three act mystery comedy “Arsenic and Old Lace” by Joseph Kesselring and by special arrangement with Dramatist’s Play Service. The production is scheduled for April 18th, 19th, and 20th –Tuesday, Wednesday, and

Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. The cast includes Sydney Melby as Abby Brewster, Britain Arl as Reverend Dr. Harper, Natalie Aakhus as Teddy Brewster, Tera Qualley as Officer Brophay, Jayden Iverson as Officer Klein, Hannah Kolstoe as Martha Brewster, Kara

Longtin as Elaine Harper, Tom Nelson as Mortimer Brewster, Abby Walton as Mr. Gibbs, Nick Pahlen as Jonathan Brewster, Jade Person as Dr. Einstein, Dede Walton as Officer O'Hara, Heather Longtin as Lieutenant Rooney, Remy Ransack as Mr. Witherspoon.

The play takes place in Brooklyn, New York, during the beginning of WWII and Dr. Harper is discussing the fact that he is disturbed by his daughter’s involvement with the Drama Critic Mortimer Brewster. Meanwhile Mortimer (Tom Nelson) finally asked

Elaine to marry him. He is discussing his engagement and Elaine figures she has to break the news to her father.

He is elated by his upcoming marriage while his aunts Abby Brewster (Sydney Melby) and Martha Brewster (Hannah Kolstoe) begin cooking. Mortimer discovers his aunts secret. He looks into the window seat to discover a dead man. He figured his brother Teddy Brewster (Natalie Aakus) was the killer. Teddy thinks that he is Teddy Roosevelt. Mortimer is desperate to have Teddy sent to Happy Dale Sanitarium.

Mortimer is shock when he discovers his aunts latest charity. They have been taking lonely old men in and if they have no family, they offer a glass of elderberry wine that is mixed with arsenic, cyanide and strychnine. Teddy thinks they have another yellow fever victim and had to be buried immediately, so he digs a lock in the cellar.

Mortimer is stunned until he discovers that his sweet darling aunts have buried twelve men in the basement. How can he be married now? What should he do about Elaine. He needs to find a way to protect his aunts when his homicidal brother Jonathan Brewster, (Nick Pahlen) comes home with his plastic surgeon Dr. Einstein (Jade Person). The fun has just begun when movable bodies, confuse the issue in this classic comedy.... Especially when Dr. Einstein discovers that Jonathan and his sweet aunts are tied 12-12. Jonathan figures he needs one more.... that is when Mortimer comes in saying “I’m back.”

The police, Officer Brophay (Tera Qualley), Officer Klein (Jayden Iverson), Officer O'Hara (Dede Walton) get involved when Officer O'Hara discovers Mortimer is a theater critic and tries to explain the plot as Jonathan was going to torture Mortimer. It really is questionable if Jonathan's planned execution or O'Hara's plot for his play was worse.

Cary Grant starred in the original comedy....So come see a hilarious comedy that ran for 15 years on Broadway.



Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Margaret Jacobus
Wed, Mar. 29: Lenten Service – 6:30 p.m. Soup N Sandwich, 7:30 p.m. at Zion.
Sun, Apr. 2: 9:00 a.m. Zion. 9:00 a.m. SS at Salem. 10:15 a.m. SS at Zion. 10:30 a.m. Salem.
Wed, Apr. 5: Lenten Service – 6:30 p.m. Soup N Sandwich, 7:30 p.m. at Salem.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH OKLEE
Fr. Adam Hamness
Sun, Apr. 2: 7:30 a.m. Confessions 8:00 a.m. Mass.

BROOKS – RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bob Schreiner
Sat, Apr. 1: 5:30 p.m. RLF
Sun, Apr. 2: 8:00 a.m. Brooks. 10:00 a.m. RLF.

IMMANUEL–EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Wed, Mar. 29: 6:30 p.m. Joint Council meeting at Immanuel. 6:30 p.m. Soup/ Sandwich at Immanuel. 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service at Immanuel.
Sun, Apr. 2: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Immanuel. 10:15 a.m. SS at Immanuel. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer.
Wed, Apr. 5: 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service at Ebenezer.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith Pastor Kristen Ostercamp
Wed, Mar. 29: Lenten – 6:30 p.m. Supper, 7:00 p.m. Service at Ekelund.
Sun, Apr. 2: 8:30 a.m. Faith, 9:45 a.m. SS; 9:45 a.m. Bethany, 11:00 a.m. SS. 11:00 a.m. Ekelund, 9:45 a.m. SS.
Mon, Apr. 3: 1:30 p.m. Ekelund Ladies Aid, potluck.
Tue, Apr. 4: 6:00 p.m. Faith WELCA meeting.
Wed, Apr. 5: Release Time. Lenten – 7:00 p.m. Service at Faith.

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Oklee Senior Site Dining

April 3 - 7
 Call 796-5666 to order a meal.

If you are over the age of 60 and would like to eat with other seniors at the Senior Site, please call the Café at 796-5666 to reserve your meal. A \$4.00 per meal donation is suggested.

Monday: Egg salad sandwich, potato & ham soup, and dessert.

Tuesday: Evening meal: Roast beef, mashed potatoes, vegetables, and dessert.

Wednesday: Grill ham & cheese sandwich, broccoli cheese soup, and dessert.

Thursday: Meatball, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable, and dessert.

Friday: Grill chicken, fried potatoes, vegetables, and dessert.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive – Nazareth Oak Park – St. Petri Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed, Mar. 29: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/ Confirmation. Oak Park: 6:00 p.m. Soup N Sandwich. 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service. Bible Study after service.
Thu, Mar. 30: 6:30 p.m. Lenten Services followed by Bible Study at St. Petri.
Sat, Apr. 1: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, Apr. 2: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. SS. 9:45 a.m. Oak Park, 8:30 a.m. SS. 11:00 a.m. Nazareth, 10:00 a.m. SS.
Tue, Apr. 4: 5:30 p.m. Lenten Services followed by Bible Study at Mt. Olive.
Wed, Apr. 5: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/ Confirmation. Nazareth: 6:00 p.m. Soup N Sandwich. 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service. Bible Study after service.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Mar. 29: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Thu, Mar. 30: 12:00 p.m. Rotary.
Fri, Mar. 31: 8:45 a.m. Friday School.
Sun, Apr. 2: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:50 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, Apr. 4: 6:30 p.m. Bible Study.
Wed, Apr. 5: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund Sand Valley Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, Mar. 29: 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service at Sand Valley.
Sun, Apr. 2: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Lund. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Sand Valley.
Wed, Apr. 5: 6:00 p.m. Soup/Sandwich Bethany. 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service at Bethany.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sun, Apr. 2: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

WIC Schedule

The Women, Infants and Children's Supplemental Nutrition Education Program (WIC) is being held the month of April 2017.

Infants, children up to the age of 5, and women who are pregnant or breastfeeding may be eligible for the program. We are very interested in enrolling pregnant women in the program. We feel that the prenatal nutrition is a vital part of producing a healthy baby, apply for WIC early in your pregnancy. We need no proof of pregnancy.

All potential clients must contact the WIC Program to schedule an appointment.

WIC Clinics for the month of April.

Thu, April 6: Red Lake Falls Community Center

April 10 - 14: Thief River Falls Redeemer Lutheran Church

Tue, April 25: Oklee I n - ter-County Community Council Building

For further information concerning the WIC program, call or write WIC Quin, PO Box 248, Newfolden, MN 56738, 1-800-223-1591, or e-mail at quinchs@wiktel.com.

Oklee Community EGGHUNT
 at the **Oklee Hall**
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Saturday, April 8th, 2017
 10:00 a.m.
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GOODRIDGE AREA FIRE & RESCUE 13TH ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE AND FUNDRAISER
OPEN HOUSE at the Fire Hall
SUPPER will be held at the Goodridge Lion's Hall from 5-8pm
Saturday, April 1st from 4-7pm
Menu includes: Burgers, Fries, Ice Cream, Milk, Coffee & Juice
Live band at 9pm at the Goodridge Liquor Store
--- RAFFLE ---
 Buy 10 tickets for \$10 from a fireman, first responder or board member.
Drawing will be held **Saturday, April 22nd**

2017 Local Boards of Appeal & Equalization

ASSESSOR	TAXING DISTRICT	LOCATION	DATE	TIME
Roger	City of Oklee	City Hall	04/10/2017	5:30 p.m.
Roger	Poplar River	Town Hall	04/25/2017	9:30 a.m.
Roger	Lambert	Town Hall	04/25/2017	11:00 a.m.
Roger	Equality	Town Hall	04/25/2017	1:00 p.m.
Roger	Garnes	Town Hall	04/25/2017	2:30 p.m.
Roger	Terrebonne	Town Hall	04/25/2017	4:00 p.m.
Roger	Browns Creek	Courthouse	04/25/2017	5:30 p.m.
Roger	Gervais	Town Hall	04/25/2017	7:00 p.m.
Roger	River	Courthouse	04/26/2017	5:30 p.m.
Roger	Emardville	Town Hall	04/26/2017	7:00 p.m.
Roger	Louisville	Courthouse	04/27/2017	4:00 p.m.
Roger	Wylie	Town Hall	04/27/2017	5:30 p.m.
Roger	Lake Pleasant	Courthouse	04/27/2017	7:00 p.m.
Roger	Red Lake Falls - T...	Courthouse	04/27/2017	8:00 p.m.
Nancy	City of Brooks	City Hall	05/01/2017	7:00 p.m.
Nancy	City of Red Lake Falls ..	City Hall	05/08/2017	6:00 p.m.
Roger	City of Plummer	City Hall	05/09/2017	7:00 p.m.

Red Lake County, MN

CSAH 1 & TH 59 Intersection Improvements

BIDS CLOSE 11:00 AM, Tuesday May 9th, 2017

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS:

Sealed bids will be received until 11:00 AM Tuesday, May 9th, 2017

By the Red Lake County Auditor at the Red Lake Falls Court-house

On behalf of the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners for the following:

SAP 063-601-020

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Sight Improvement at Intersection CSAH 1 and TH 59 in Plummer.

Project includes 988 CY of Common Excavation, 1300 CY of Embankment, 1297 SY of Type V Fabric, 132 LF of 24" CS Culvert, and 110 Ton of Type 12.5 Wearing Course Mix 3.B.

Proposal, Plans, and Specifications may be obtained for \$15.00 each or examined at the Office of the County Highway Engineer, 204 7th Street SE Red Lake Falls, MN 56750. (218) 253-2697

All bids must be accompanied by a certified check or Bidder's Bond made payable to the Red Lake County Treasurer for not less than five percent (5%) of the proposal amount.

ALL BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE RED LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR AT THE COURTHOUSE, P.O. Box 367 Red Lake Falls, MN 56750 **by 11:00 AM on Tuesday, May 9th, 2017.**

The right is reserved to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive any defects.

Robert Schmitz, County Auditor

01-3C

Valle Cemetery

Annual Ass'n Meeting

The annual meeting will be held on Sunday April 2, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at the Rodney Johnson home.

Election of officers and bids for mowing the two cemeteries will be opened at this time.
 Carolyn Person
 Secretary/Treasurer

Red Lake Falls Library News

It's the fastest growing crime in America. It occurs when someone uses your personal information to open new accounts, make purchases, write checks, or obtain credit.

Don't give any personal information over the phone, mail or internet to strangers. Avoid using passwords or personal ID numbers that someone could easily guess. Limit the number of credit cards and personal information you carry in case your wallet or purse is stolen.

The MN Center for Book Arts pop-up cards class which has been scheduled for April 27 has been cancelled. Other upcoming Legacy events include "Minnesota in the Great War" with Historical Experiences' Arn Kind on Thursday, April 20 beginning at 5:00 pm, and Minnesota singer-songwriter Terry Derosier with a 6:00 pm concert at the library on Thursday, May 9.

All these movies are now on the "NEW" DVD shelf at the RLF branch: "Ben-Hur" (starring Jack Huston); "BFG," Big Friendly Giant, a Disney release directed by Steven

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Red Lake County SWCD will sponsor two students to attend Long Lake Conservation Camp

Long Lake Conservation Center has provided summer camp experience since 1965. Long Lake Conservation Center is located in the beautiful northland of Minnesota forests and bogs, and its campus buildings are situated overlooking Long Lake. The Center is near Palisade, MN.

The 2017 season offers two Outdoor Explorer I session is open to youth ages 10-14. The Outdoor Explorer Camp will be held June 18-23, 2017 or July 9-14, 2017.

Students will make life-long friends and life-long memories at Long Lake. Outdoor Explorers is the classic summer camp experience full of fun at the lake and exploration in the woods. Campers spend time in the outdoors learning recreation skills, such as: canoeing, archery, orienteering, GPS, and camping! In addition, campers participate in team building activities at Long Lake's low ropes Challenge Cooperation Course, the Long Lake Amazing Race, and team games. Furthermore, on top of all this fun, campers spend time honing their survival skills by building small cooking fires and shelters, and spend a night under the stars. You won't want to miss this!

Red Lake County SWCD will sponsor two youth to attend camp. If you are interested, please write a short paragraph (300 words or less) describing why you would like to attend camp. Also, please provide your full name, parent's names, and telephone number. The deadline is March 31, 2017.

Please send to Tanya Hanson at the Red Lake County SWCD, 2602 Wheat Drive, Red Lake Falls, MN 56750 by March 31, 2017. If you have any questions please contact Tanya at (218) 253-2593 ext. 4.

052-1C

Happy March Everyone, Thinking of donating to the Oklee Food Shelf?

Oklee Food Shelf (ICCC) always appreciate all donations (food or cash) anytime during the year. We would like to bring to your attention about the March Campaign that is held every year through the Minnesota Food Share Program, it has been going

since 1983.

Every dollar given during the Campaign goes directly to the Food Shelves to purchase about \$4.00 worth of food. That is because we can purchase through the local food bank and if we buy in bulk, some stores offer us a discount.

Cash donations allow food shelves to purchase food items that we don't usually receive thru food drives, such as meats.

The important thing to remember is that March is the only time of the year that people can leverage additional dollars for our food shelf from donations.

Food and Cash must be at our office by March 30th in order to be counted in the Campaign. Our office is open from 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M., Monday thru Friday. If you have any questions, call Tracy at 218-796-5144 Ext. 14.

Thank you again for supporting the Oklee Food Shelf!

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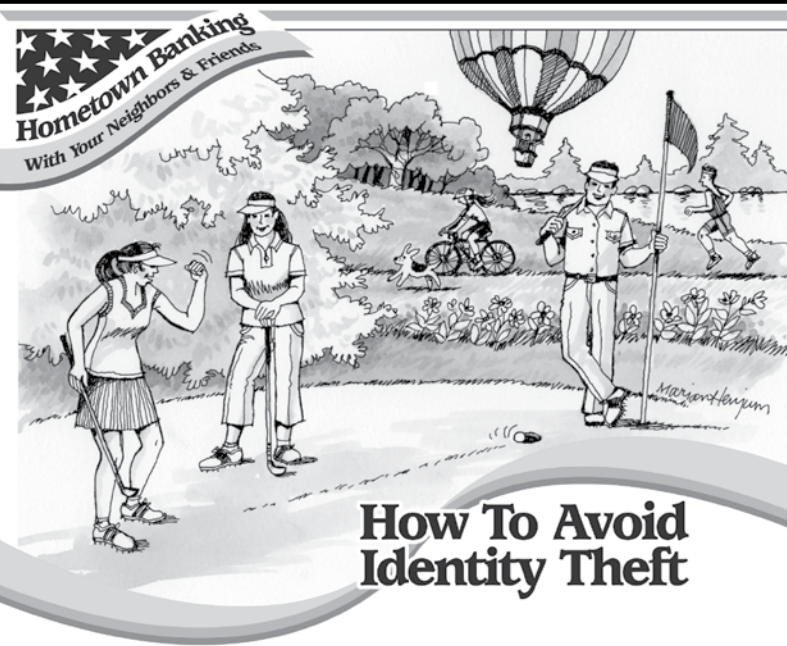
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RLCC Menus

April 3 - 7
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Mon: Breakfast: Bagel w/ cream cheese, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** 4 cheese lasagna rollups, breadsticks, vegetable, string cheese, fruit, and milk.

Tue: Breakfast: Smores, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken burger, cheesy potatoes, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Wed: Breakfast: Cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Corn dog, macaroni & cheese, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Thu: Breakfast: French toast sticks, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Hamburger patty, macaroni or potato salad, baked beans, fruit, and milk.

Fri: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Fish, mashed potatoes, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Mon: Breakfast: Cook's Choice, variety of cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken fajita (lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, sour cream, salsa), hash browns, corn, fruit, and milk.

Tue: Breakfast: French toast, sticks, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Ham patty w/bun, sliced cheese, curly fries, veggies & ranch, fruit, and milk.

Wed: Breakfast: Donut sticks, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Diced chicken & gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, dinner roll, fruit, and milk.

Thu: Breakfast: Apple strudel, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Tacos (hamburger, cheese, tomatoes, lettuce, taco sauce), rice pilaf, seasoned carrots, fruit, and milk.

Fri: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Tomato soup, Ritz Bitz crackers, salad, PB & egg salad sandwich, fruit, and milk.

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Sounds like multiplication?

Guess again. It's newspaper talk for a one column by 2 inch ad. Too small to be effective? You're reading this one!!!

Oklee Herald

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School Bus Safety - Let's keep our children safe

School is in session and that means drivers have to remember they are sharing the road with those big yellow buses.

You'd think it would be easy to safely travel in the same space with such a large and heavy vehicle. They're easy to see. They have flashing lights. We know they're carrying precious cargo. Motorists should proceed with caution, right?

Problem is, drivers are more distracted. So are the kids getting on and off those buses. Everyone is rushing from point A to point B. All the more reason motorists and students need to take bus safety seriously as the school year kicks into gear.

School bus crashes in Minnesota increased 14 percent last year, up from 806 in 2014 to 690 in 2015. Not surprisingly, 70 percent of school bus crashes last year happened between 6 and 9 a.m. and 3 to 6 p.m. during the months of September through May.

If you're the parent of school-aged children, you likely know the routine of watching their too-large backpacks disappear around the corner as they climb onto their school bus, only to see their faces reappear again in the window. Maybe, if it doesn't embarrass them too much, you blow kisses. Maybe it's just a tiny wave goodbye. No matter the routine, you've likely spent a slightly panicky moment or two worried about their safety as they get on or off the bus and ride to and from school.

Remember....

Motorists



"Bob the Builder" Bernier helping children at the wood building night for RLCC ECFE.



Parents and ECFE preschoolers made a stool during the "Tool Time with Mr. Bernier."



RLC Speech Results

By Marie Johnson

Red Lake County Speech Team competed at Fosston on Saturday, March 18th. Two people placed and received medals: Sydney Melby, fourth place in Humor and Jayden Fore, fifth place in Creative Expression. Four got an excellent ribbon. Jayden Iverson, Danny Guillemette, and Lily Guillemette each earned an Excellent Ribbon in Poetry. Mariah Peterson also earned an Excellent Ribbon in Humor.

Events coming up in

April at RLCC HS

By: Hannah Riendeau

Many events are already being planned the last week of March and in April at Red Lake County Central High School. The upcoming events include the following.

Friday, March 31 - Spring Fling Dance

Saturday, April 1 - Speech Meet in Oklee

Tuesday, April 4 - Spring Concert

Thursday, April 6 - Girls' Basketball Award Potluck in Oklee

Friday, April 7 - SH Band trip

Saturday April 8 - Speech Meet in Oklee

Monday, April 10 - Academic Banquet

Tuesday- Thursday, April 18-20 - 3-Act-Play

Saturday, April 29 - Prom

RLCC High School

Spring Concert is

April 4th

By: Julia Bernstein

The Red Lake County High School Spring Concert will be held Tuesday, April 4th at 7:00 p.m. in the high school gym. The theme of the concert is Songs from Broadway. There will be a one dollar donation at the door.

The junior high and senior high bands will each be performing two songs. The bands will also play two songs combined. The junior high choir will be singing four songs. Karena Melby and Kia Bachand will be singing a duet. Senior high choir will be performing five songs. Come and enjoy this fun evening.

ECFE Music

Fun Night

By: Sydnie Gunderson

Each month during the school year, the Red Lake County Central Early Education Family Education plans family events and activities for you and your child to enjoy. Families with children up to kindergarten age are invited to attend.

Thursday, April 6th from 6:00-7:00 pm the "ECFE Music Fun Night" will be held at the Oklee site. Soup and sandwiches will be served at the beginning of the event. There will be music on CDs and YouTube and much more. Bring your favorite music that you and your child like to move to.

Spring Sports Begin

By Sarah Christensen

Spring sports are beginning at Red Lake County Central High School. Listed below are the practice start dates and first game. Games and meets are dependent upon the weather.

Softball started Monday, March 20 at the high school in Oklee and is coached by Kate Moll and Kari Rath. First game is set for Monday, April

3 in Oklee against Red Lake Falls Eagles.

Baseball is coached by Chris Nelson, Gary Casavan, and Alex Carlson. Practice started Monday, March 20 in Red Lake Falls. First game is against Norman County on Friday, April 2 in RLF.

Golf practice started Monday, March 20 and is coached by Karl Kleven and Kory Baril. The course in RLF is not open yet so they will practice at the RLF Community Hall until the course opens. First meet will be in early April.

RLC Rebels Track & Field practice started Monday, March 27. First meet is planned for Thursday, April 13 at Walker-Hackensack-Akeley High School. Track is coached by Randy Huie and Cheryl Matzke.

April 5 is when Trap practice starts at the Plummer Area Sportsman's Club range. The safety meeting was held on March 18. The head coach is Mike Illies and this is the third year for the team. The team has grown about 25% each year and includes boys and girls from 6-12 grade. The Trap Team gives their thanks and appreciation to the Plummer Area Sportsmen's Club volunteers and volunteer coaches for making this sport possible at RLCC.

Spring sports and activity fees need to be paid as soon as possible. Junior High cost is \$40 and 9-12 cost is \$60.

RLCC JH Knowledge

Bowl results

By Marie Johnson

Red Lake County Central Junior High Knowledge Bowl competed at Win-E-Mac on Thursday, March 23rd. Elijah Rathack and Brody Moen placed 17th. The top three teams were Greenbush-Middle River in first place, Norman County East Team One took second place, and Thief River Falls Team Two took third place.

Oklee Community

Rummage Sale Day

By: Julia Bernstein

Now is the time to start cleaning out your garage, reorganize your storage areas, and check your closets and drawers. Oklee's Annual Community Rummage Sale will be on Saturday, May 13th.

To be listed and included on the Community Sale Map, contact Sandra Tougas by May 4th at the school (218-796-5138) or at home (218-796-5048). The hall will also have three free spaces. Call to reserve your spot.

GED Classes to Start!

A new series of GED Prep classes will begin March 2. Classes will be held in the Special Ed. Room at Red Lake County Central High School in Oklee, 6:30 to 8:30 PM, Thursdays. Use northeast doors. Please call Sherry at 218-688-1558 if you are planning to attend or need more information. The instruction is free with a one-time registration fee of \$10.00. This is a great time to start. This GED Ready Official Practice Test promotion is available through March 15 - Buy a GED test and get a GED Ready Official Practice Test for free. The voucher(s) that you receive are valid for one year, so you have plenty of time to study before they expire. Can't make it March 2? You can start at a later date; all instruction is individualized based on needs of student following assessment.

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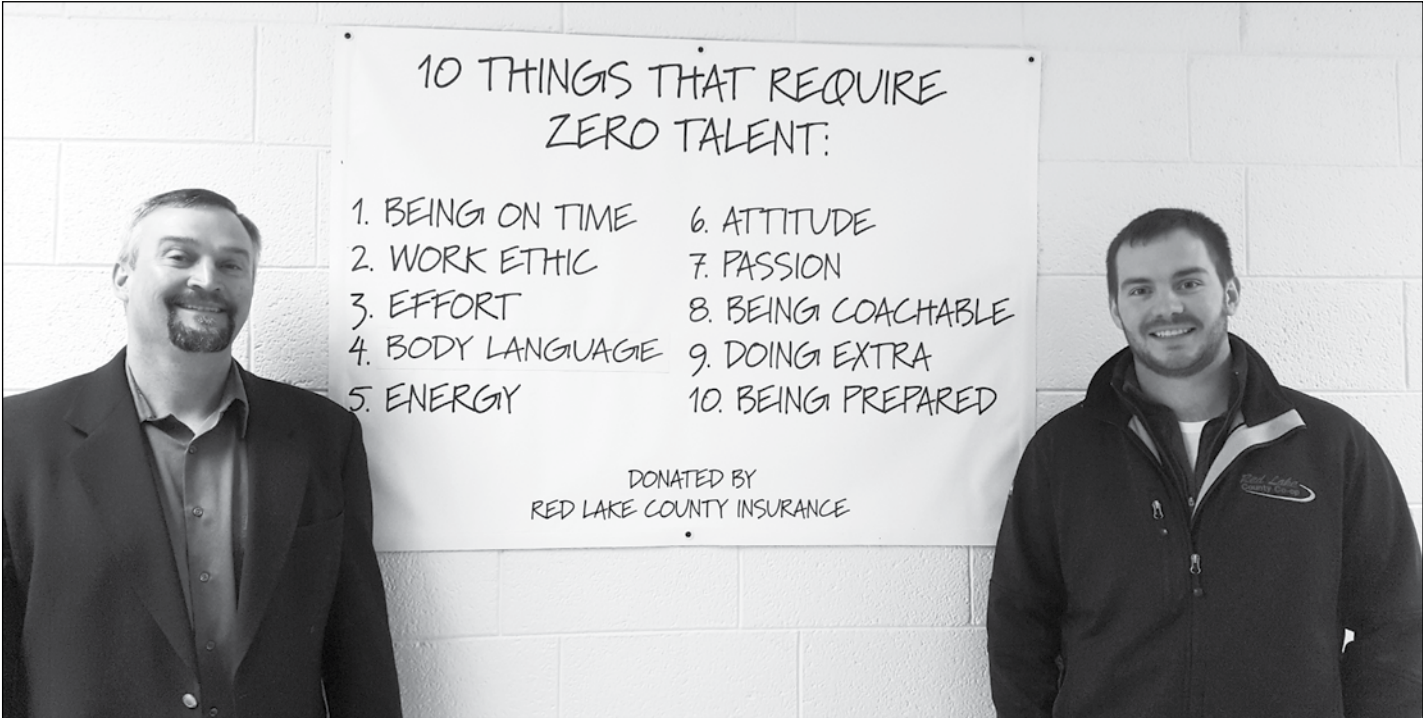


Mr. Mike Swenson, director of RLCC's 3-Act Play, advised 10th graders Connor Lambert and Sarah Christensen on the design of the set.



RLCC's sophomore shop class taught by Mr. Bob Bernier working on the sets for "Arsenic and Old Lace" 3-act play.

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Pictured are Superintendent Jim Guetter and Nick Knutson of Red Lake County Agency.

Centennial Recipe Corner

Chocolate Oatmeal Cookies Mary Lynn Bachand

- 1 cup Crisco
(I substitute 1/2 butter or margarine and 1/3 cup canola oil)
- 2 cups sugar
- 2/3 cup cocoa
- 2 tsp vanilla
- 2 eggs
- 1-1/2 cups flour
- 1 tsp salt
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 2-3/4 cups rolled oats
- 3/4 cup peanuts



Cream shortening and sugar. Add unbeaten eggs one at a time and beat well after each addition. Add the cocoa and vanilla and blend well. Add flour sifted with baking powder and salt. Stir in rolled oats and peanuts. Drop by spoonful on greased cookie sheet. Bake at 350 degrees for 10 minutes. Don't over bake! "This is a favorite cookie at our house and one that David's mother Mae made when her children were young. I sometimes add chocolate chips to double the goodness!"



The Family Literacy Committee at Red Lake County Central Elementary School would like to thank the Plummer Lions Club, ISD #2906 and everyone that participated in the "Family Fun Event". We had a record breaking event with more than 330 in attendance. A great evening was had by everyone. Parents and children experienced the importance of literacy, math and science through a variety of activities. Congratulations to all those that won an Amazon Fire tablet. We look forward to a bigger and better event in 2018.

OTC

Letter to the Editor

If you have an editorial that you would like to have printed, please send to: okleeherald@gmail.com or drop off in the drop-off box on the door. Remember to sign your name and phone #.

To the Editor,
Over the course of several years, the Oklee Community Hall has been rented for special events and reasons. Recently an individual has approached several of the Council members in regards to renting the Community Hall for a wedding. It is not secret, that our Community Hall does not have air conditioning. Many times the Oklee City Council has entertained the thought of installing an air conditioning unit in the Community Hall, but the City funds did not warrant such an expense. I, as many other people, would support the installation of air conditioning in the Community Hall, if the City could afford it. The individual who inquired about renting the Hall for a wedding, offered to pay \$1,000 towards the cost of installing of an air conditioning unit so

this planned wedding event could be enjoyed with air conditioning. A Council member was approached by the wedding planner, jumped at the offer of funds to offset the cost of installing an air conditioner unit and called for a emergency council meeting to discuss getting bids on the purchase and installation of air conditioning before the wedding event. As a member of the Oklee Council, who is a steward of the citizens of Oklee, I did not vote at the emergency meeting. At this meeting, the votes were for only bids to be presented to the April Council meeting. Yes, these bids will be discussed, and a vote will be cast to accept the bids or not. If by chance the vote passes to accept one of the bids, then the council can install an air conditioning unit. I will not vote to accept any bid. I expressed my feelings against the vote to accept going forward to get bids at the emergency meeting. The whole concept of the rush for bids at the emergency meeting and the offer to give the City of Oklee \$1000 to the cost of the installment of air conditioning before this wedding date in my opinion, has raised several red flags. The Council members and other city individuals must not forget there are other more pressing problems that the city has to invest fund in such as the waste pond issues, road repair, garbage & water rates, light issues, unpaid city funds, so on and so on. In regards to this wedding issue, on behalf of myself and others, the City at this time can not justify City funds to invest in an air conditioner system for the Community Hall. This issue should not be pursued in any other way, it is a matter of economics. The City of Oklee cannot invest in taxpayers money on such perks at this time. Perhaps some taxpayers should come to the April 10th meeting if you would like to voice an opinion. You must register with the City Clerk to get on the agenda at least three days prior to the meeting or perhaps a letter to the editor voicing your input on this matter. I, like so many others, wish the groom and bride, as well as their family, many years of happiness and good fortune. Oklee Council member Matthew Genova

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Highway Patrol Report

Thief River Falls Contact: Sgt. Jesse Grabow (218) 639-3168
Location: Hwy 92 and County Road 2, Gully, Polk County
Description: Clearbrook-Gonvick School bus was eastbound on Highway 92 and was turning northbound on County Road 2. The Pontiac SUV was southbound on County Road 2, failed to stop at the stop sign, and broadsided the school bus.
The 2005 International School Bus with Scott Wayne Bakke, 53 as the driver of

Vehicle Number 1, Injury type: None Health Care Facility: None. Seat Belt: Yes Helmet: Not Applicable Alcohol Involved: No
Vehicle Number 2, a 2006 Pontiac Torrent with Scott Alan Aune, 53 of Grygla as the driver. Injury type: Non-life Threatening Health Care Facility: Essentia Health-Fosston Seat Belt: Yes Helmet: Not Applicable Alcohol Involved: No Road Condition: Dry
Outside agencies: Polk County Sheriff's Office. Last updated: 03/27/2017 13:50



Clayton Larson receiving a plaque from President Keven Reich at the spring meeting of the Red Lake County Township Association. Clayton served as Vice President on the Association for 36 years and on the Emarville Town Board as Supervisor and Chairman for 51 years. Congratulations, Clayton!

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Soil compaction: What can you do?

Jodi DeJong-Hughes

As spring approaches, plan to include strategies that reduce soil compaction. Soil compaction concerns have been growing in Minnesota as annual precipitation and the size of farm equipment have dramatically increased.

Wet soils are particularly susceptible to compaction. Heavy equipment and tillage implements amplify damage to the soil's structure, decreasing pore space and limiting soil and water volume even further. Improving soil structure is the best defense against soil compaction. A well-structured soil holds and conducts water, nutrients, and air necessary for healthy plant root activity.

Myths about soil compaction

Don't be fooled by two very common and widespread myths about soil compaction: 1) Freeze-thaw cycles will alleviate a majority of the soil compaction created by machinery, and 2) What compaction "Mother Nature" does not take care of, deep tillage or subsoiling will.

Freeze-thaw cycles

A combination of heavy

axle loads and wet soil conditions increases the depth of compaction in the soil profile. For example, a load of 10 tons per axle or more on wet soils can extend compaction to depths of two feet or more. Since this is well below the depth of normal tillage, the compaction is more likely to persist compared to shallow compaction that can largely be removed by tillage.

Although soils in this region are subject to annual freeze-thaws cycles and freeze depths of 3 feet or more, only the top 2 to 5 inches will experience more than one freeze-thaw cycle per year. The belief that freeze-thaw cycles will loosen compacted soils may have developed years ago when compaction would have been relatively shallow. At that time, machinery weighed less and grass and deep-rooted legumes were grown in the crop rotation.

However, compaction can be alleviated to a limited degree in excessively dry soils. In very dry soils, cracks will form in most Minnesota soils. Considered a natural tillage tool, these cracks will break

up compaction, but only to the depth of the crack.

Deep tillage

While deep tillage (greater than 18 inches) is capable of shattering hard pans created by wheel traffic, it has not been proven to increase yield consistently or for a long period of time. In the Midwest, research results have shown few positive yield responses to subsoiling. When responses do occur, they are relatively small and variable. Predicting the effects of subsoiling is difficult due to soil differences, degree of subsoil compaction, soil moisture, future traffic, weather conditions, crops grown and tillage methods.

Tire inflation pressure (psi) versus axle load

Tractors equipped with either tracks or tires can both create surface compaction. Which, however, creates the least amount? In fact, if radial tires are properly inflated, both tires and tracks will create similar amounts of surface compaction.

Compaction created by smaller tractors (less than 10 tons per axle) usually remains in the top 6 to 8 inches and can be alleviated by tillage. In contrast, an increasing number of tractors, full combines, slurry tankers and grain carts can weigh between 18 and 40 tons per axle. This equipment, whether equipped with tires or tracks, can compact the soil to depths of 3 feet.

Tracks exert a ground pressure of approximately 4-7 psi depending on track width, length, and tractor weight. Radial tires, on the other hand, exert a pressure of 1 to 2 pounds higher than their inflation pressure. For example, if a radial tire is inflated to 6 psi, the tire exerts a pressure of 7 to 8 psi on the soil. Assuming that loads and soil pressures are similar, both tracks and tires will exert similar stress onto the soil.

Management strategies

One of the most important factors for decreasing soil compaction potential is to stay off the soil when it is wet. Unfortunately, this is not always possible, as planting opportunities are often limited. Other effective strategies include maintaining proper tire inflation rates and decreasing axle loads. Radial tires can be inflated as low as 6 to 8 psi, but producers should check with their tire dealers to confirm proper tire pressures. Frequently checking and maintaining proper pressures will not only help reduce soil compaction, it will improve tractor efficiency

Summary

Inflating tires to the proper air pressure will reduce surface compaction, while reducing axle loads will reduce the depth of compaction. These strategies help maintain a well-structured soil, one of the most important factors when growing a healthy crop. Preventing soil compaction enhances water infiltration and storage capacity, timeliness of field operations while decreasing plant root stress and disease potential.

Looking for more information that includes illustrations of graphs/ tables backed with real data?

Find it online at UMN-Extension under Soil Health

Grygla House fire under investigation

Grygla Fire Department received a call on Saturday, March 25th, at 2:12am to respond to a house fire at the old Harlan and Doris Cleven farm, which was currently owned by Loren Lusignan and rented by Jace Olson/Emily Sletten, per Bob Thompson, Fire Chief.

Assistant Fire Chief, Brad Monson, was among those who responded as Thompson was out of town at the time. He returned Saturday and was able to meet with the Minnesota State Fire Marshall at that time.

"The fire started in the garage by, at this time, an unknown cause," stated Thompson. "The garage was attached to the house. By the time the first truck arrived on the scene, the roof of the house was already collapsed; it was a total loss," he added.

The fire crew and sheriff's department were unsure if anyone was home at the time of the fire and worked to figure out the current tenants' location, which included three young children. Everybody was accounted for at approximately 5am. All items in the house, including one cat, were lost in the fire.

The fire department left the scene at approximately 6:30am. Since then, they have met with the State Fire Marshall, who will return to the scene this week to continue with an investigation.

Brooks - Terrebonne News

By Barb Novak 218-698-4296 novakbl@gvtel.com

This past week was a transition week. It was cold outside but the promise of warmer weather was maybe the next day and then it was maybe the next day again. There was a great lot of wind for a couple of days. So the weekend came and the temperatures went a bit higher but no great difference and we still had to wear coats. It is spring in Minnesota .

Happy Birthday to Wes Myhre who was surprised by the town at the Cozy. We hope your birthday was a lot of fun and that you have many more.

Dellas Paradis' grandson had a birthday party at his home and Lonnie and Kenya Paradis hosted. Dellas came as a surprise guest and enjoyed his party with him and his classmates. It was a party that featured camouflage items. Charlie Paradis is now 7 years old. Dellas wanted everyone to know that Ronald died just a few days before Charlie was born, and that if he saw Charlie, he would be so very proud of him. Ten of his friends from school came to help him celebrate.

Vi Bruggeman attended the wedding of her grand-daughter Paige Bruggeman to Brandon Langess at the Zion Lutheran Church in Thief River Falls. Brandon is from Greenbush and they will make their home in Greenbush.

Cindy and Del Determan went to the North Dakota Sugar Beet Farm Show from Tuesday through Thursday. It was held at the FargoDome.

Cindy and Del Determan helped their grandson Devin celebrate his 19th birthday at the Granite City Restaurant in Fargo, while they were in North Dakota. Happy birthday to you Devin.

Red Hats met at the Cozy on Wednesday and 10 hearty ladies came to eat and visit. It is always great to get together. The next Red Hats is scheduled for April 19th. Easter week is the week before so we set it for after Easter.

We hope you have a great week maybe it will warm up more and we can get some outside time in our lives. I am sick of being in the house, aren't you?

Red Lake County Extension Educator

Curtis W. Nyegaard - 218-253-2895

Is The Bt Corn Trait Critical?

The economics of 2017 corn production is challenging many farmers on how to cut losses per acre! One area that some farmers have targeted for reducing costs is hybrid selection. Planting corn hybrids without Bt protection for the European corn borer (ECB), corn rootworm or both will greatly reduce seed costs. However, if not careful, farmers could inadvertently reduce crop revenues if they select hybrids without considering yield potential or insect populations in their fields.

Yield potential is the first thing to consider when selecting a corn hybrid. Bt traits only protect the yield potential of a hybrid; yield benefits only occur when targeted insects are above economic levels. When insect pressure is low any potential yield gains from newer, trait protected hybrids have to be balanced against their higher costs. Switching to less expensive seed only makes sense when yields are comparable or when seed cost savings exceed any reduced yield potential plus prospective insect losses that may occur. Complicating the decision is one important consideration- the limited availability of high yielding non-Bt or single Bt trait corn hybrids for much of Minnesota.

Compared to pre-Bt levels (1995-1997), ECB populations are generally very low in Minnesota and much of the Midwest. In our area of Northwest Minnesota the population levels for ECB in 2014-2016 varied from 0 to 10 ECB/100 plants which is very low. They have been suppressed for nearly 20 years. However, the risk of ECB infestations may be

locally higher in areas where significant acreages of corn without Bt corn borer traits were planted in 2016 and preceding years. Reports of damage in 2016 non-Bt corn demonstrate ECBs are still around and may be increasing in some areas. A temporary increase in non-Bt corn acreage should not dramatically increase the risk of damage and planting corn without Bt corn borer protection should be relatively low risk. The risk of economic damage likely increases as the proportion of local fields planted to non-Bt increase, particularly when the reduction in Bt has occurred for several years. Risk of yield loss from ECB can be reduced if you scout fields and apply a labeled insecticide where needed. Early and late seeded fields will be most attractive to egg laying 1st and 2nd generation moths, respectively. These fields should receive scouting emphasis when planted to a hybrid without an above ground Bt trait. Where the univoltine strain of ECB occurs, scouting should focus on fields nearest pollination when the flight is underway, typically mid-July to early August.

Notes on ECB, scouting and aerial insecticides:

* Larvae are susceptible to insecticides for 10-14 days during each generation. This limited window means your scouting efforts must be well timed.

* As corn grows, successive generations appear lower in the corn canopy; insecticide effectiveness declines with greater canopy interception by leaves above the larvae. Percent control for well-

timed applications declines from 85% (1st generation) to 70% (univoltine) to 50% (2nd generation). Expect control to be noticeably lower than Bt traits (>99.5%).

Bt corn should also receive some scouting attention at late season. While ECB resistance to Bt-lepidoptera traits has not been detected yet, the effectiveness of several above ground traits has declined in some corn earworm, western bean cutworm and fall armyworm populations. Look for excessive leaf feeding from first generation corn borers in earlier planted fields, stalk and ear tunneling in later silking fields from univoltine and second generation corn borers, ear feeding from corn earworm and western bean cutworm, and late whorl and ear feeding from fall armyworm.

WHEN MOVING AWAY FROM Bt TRAITS TO REDUCE COSTS-KEEP IN MIND THREE IMPORTANT FACTS:

1. Bt traits are a form of insurance. Moving away from Bt traits means that you are assuming the risk of insect attack and its management.

2. Risk is generally low right now for European corn borer and corn rootworms but the risk is not gone.

3. You can either choose to ignore that risk for your fields; or minimize that risk through active management (scouting and insecticides).

For more information, you can contact Ken Ostlie, University of Minnesota Extension Entomologist by email at ostli001@umn.edu.

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Wednesday, March 29, 2017

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat

This week's photo is of three fellows from around the Oklee area. Two currently live in Oklee.

Last week's photo was of a double wedding held at a local church. The wedding was held on April 21, 1962. The couples are: Galen and Betty Opdahl and Betsy and Ray Berg. They were married at Salem Lutheran Church. The brides are Larson sisters.

Please send in your favorite photo for the Who's Dat column. More are needed.

RLC Sheriff's Report

Official News

Release 03/23/17

The Red Lake County Sheriff's Office has been involved in several drug-related arrests so far in 2017. The following is a list of incidents/arrests during that time.

On the afternoon of 02/03/17, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a motor vehicle stuck in the snow on a township road in Red Lake Falls Township. Deputies found Toni Elizabeth Lerol (28) of Thief River Falls, in her vehicle, at the scene. The investigation lead deputies to determine that she was under the influence of methamphetamines. She was arrested and charged with 3rd Degree DWI, a Gross Misdemeanor offense. She has since been released from custody and is scheduled to make her next appearance in district court on 04/05/17.

Randy Lee Brosseau (31) of Red Lake Falls was arrested while operating a vehicle within the city of Red Lake Falls, on the afternoon of 02/12/17. He was criminally charged with a 5th Degree Controlled Crime, a Gross Misdemeanor, for possessing methamphetamine and pills. He was also charged with a 3rd Degree Gross Misdemeanor DWI and for Misdemeanor Driving After Revocation.

In the early morning hours of 02/14/17, Samantha Ann Eide (27) of Waubun, MN was arrested following a traffic complaint investigation on Highway #59, approximately 1 mile north of Plummer. She was charged with 5th Degree Gross Misdemeanor Possession of Illegal Prescription Pills, Misdemeanor Possession of Legend Drugs and Misdemeanor Driving After Suspension. She will make her next district court appearance on 03/29/17.

In the early morning hours of 03/01/17, Jo Odonia Sorenson (25) of Chatfield, MN was

arrested at Sportsman's Park in Red Lake Falls. A traffic stop and resulting investigation lead to her arrest and criminal charges of 5th Degree Gross Misdemeanor Possession of Methamphetamine, Misdemeanor DWI and Misdemeanor Driving After Suspension. She will make her next appearance in district court on 04/05/17.

Brandy Lee Larson (40) of Redwood Falls, MN was criminally charged with Misdemeanor Driving After Revocation and Petty Misdemeanor Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. She was stopped by a Deputy within the city of Red Lake Falls in the early evening hours on 03/06/17. She was issued a citation and released from the scene of the stop.

On the afternoon of 03/17/17, Jared Scott Ganyo (28) of Thief River Falls was stopped on CR. #5, just north of Oklee. As a result of the traffic investigation, Mr. Ganyo was arrested and is facing several criminal charges. He was booked on 5th Degree Gross Misdemeanor Possession of Methamphetamine and Misdemeanor DWI. Mr. Lancto also had an outstanding Misdemeanor Warrant out of Pennington County. At this time he is being held on the Pennington County warrant and formal criminal charges in Red Lake County have not been filed.

Corey Daniel Lancto (35) of Oklee was arrested in the early evening hours of 03/20/17 in the City of Oklee. He was booked for 5th Degree Gross Misdemeanor Possession of Methamphetamine and Misdemeanor DWI. Mr. Lancto also had an outstanding Misdemeanor Warrant out of Pennington County. At this time he is being held on the Pennington County warrant and formal criminal charges in Red Lake County have not been filed.

Mitch Bernstein, Red Lake County Sheriff

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Oklee Herald Early Files

Seventy Years Ago
April 3, 1947
Leslie Walker left last Tuesday to visit his brother Delmaine, who is a patient at the Valley Forge General Hospital in Pennsylvania.

Six members of the Red Lake Fire Department were in Oklee Monday evening to inspect the new fire truck.

Rayomd Brekke of Oklee received only minor injuries Thursday afternoon when the car he was driving was hit by a Soo Line passenger train at the crossing near the Oklee Creamery.

Sixty Years Ago
April 4, 1957
A fire of an undetermined origin Tuesday destroyed a large barn on the Max Rossignol farm southwest of Terrebonne.

Joseph Ripplinger, 62, will be arraigned April 9 in Red Lake Falls District Court on second degree murder charges brought Monday by a Red Lake County Grand Jury.

Jim Adelson, sportcaster for KXJB TV (Channel 4), Valley City, ND has been booked as the main speaker at the annual Oklee School Athletic Banquet.

Fifty Years Ago
March 30, 1967
The National Farmers Organization's milk holding action is continuing in this area and throughout more than 25 states – in Red Lake Falls last Thursday there were 111 cars, trucks and pickups assembled at a NFO rally that saw over 100,000 pounds of milk dumped.



Is this photo from an NFO Rally in Oklee in 1967?

Mr. and Mrs. Adelope Paquin are the parents of a daughter born to them on Saturday, March 25th.

Visitors at the Gunder Gunderson home last Sunday were Roy Gilbert and family of Thief River Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Torkel Gunderson and Cheryl and Mrs. Anne Hofstad.

Forty Years Ago
March 31, 1977
The Oklee Volunteer Fire Department answered a fire call at the Vernell Herberg home last Tuesday afternoon.

9th grad students built bridges from ½ pound of balsa sticks and winners for the strongest bridges were Wes Magnell, Darrell Sandeen, Joel Hanson, John Dulka, and David Person. The best design was on by Mike Kirkpatrick, Mitch Tofte, Randy Bergeron and Alan Vettleson.

Sunday afternoon visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Niemi, where they celebrated the birthday of Olga Johnson, were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Niemi, Tamara and Jason, and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Anderson.

Thirty Years Ago
April 1, 1987
It has become official! Phyllis Melby is Oklee 6th Postmaster since 1912. She has served as Oklee's Postal Clerk for the past 8.5 years.

Charles and Carol Bachand were chosen as 1987 Farm Family of the Year for Red Lake County.

George and Ardelle Olson returned Friday evening from

an 8-day vacation to North Dakota and Montana.

Winners in the Junior Division of the Plummer Science Fair were Shannon Fisher, Debbie Fox, and Dixie Koskela.

Twenty Years Ago
April 2, 1997
Karen Peterson was chosen as Oklee High School Teacher of the Year.

National Weather Service had flood tips for everyone in the area as this year was the year of the 100 year flood in Northern Minnesota and North Dakota.

A satellite television service supplied by Garden Valley is about to add more than a dozen new channels to its programing.

All Conference North Tri-County Conference awards for Boys Basketball were Jimmy Dulka and Mark Lorenson.

Ten Years Ago
March 28, 2007
On March 20th, members of the city councils from Oklee, Brooks, Plummer and Red Lake Falls along with County Commissioners met with Sheriff Mitch Bernstein for a round table discussion on the upcoming contract renewal of the policing contract.

RLCC Wrestlers honored at the Sports Banquet were Scott Bergerson, Tyler Larson, Ethan Paradis, Kyle Willett, and Brett Chervestad. Basketball players honored at the Banquet were Dougie Willett, Ian Mercil, Josh Vettleson, and Brett Gerardy.

Chad Arden Lundeen and Mary Ann Jensen announce their upcoming wedding that will be held on April 14th at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in TRF.

Wayne and Debra Vettleson have had their dairy farm, Wayra Dairy, certified a Five-Star Dairy by the Minnesota Milk Producers Association.

Senior Site News and Other Things

By Volunteer Iona Berry

Today has been very nice with temperatures in the 50's. Almost all the snow has melted and fields are mostly black. Spring has come!

I heard today that Bjarne Kvasager had suffered a slight stroke at the Greenleaf Assisted Home and was hospitalized. He is expected to be moved to the nurshing home early this week. Bjarne had very recently moved to Greenleaf.

I attended the Zion Auction today at the Oklee Community Center. They had a large crowd and a lot of auction items. I had a BBQ and coffee. I stayed for

about 2 hours and they still had many, many items on the sale block. I always marveled how the auctioneer can keep his voice going rapidly for such a long time. Eric certianly does a good job.

Dates to Remember
April 4: Evening Meal
April 16: Easter
April 18: Pot Luck
April 20: Sr. Site Council meeting at 10 a.m.
April 24: Birthday Meal.

Words of Wisdom
When you no longer ask

questions, ignore beauty, or refrain from giving compliments, you are old regardless of your age.

Without curiosity, one might think a dozing dog is a dead dog.

Joke Time
The doctor knocked at the door of the examination room before entering, and the woman patient called out for him to come in. The doctor then told her to take all her clothes off. He proceeded to give her a thorough physical examination - from head and back - leaving no part of her body untouched. When he had finished, he said that she appeared to be in good health and asked whether she had any questions. "Just one, doctor," she replied. "And what is that," he asked. She said, "Why did you bother to knock."

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

Immanuel Lutheran Church in Plummer had their annual Spring Dinner on Sunday. They served chicken breasts, mashed potatoes, green beans, coleslaw, dressing, dinner roll, and choice of dessert. It was delicious. The tables were decorated with silk tulips, Easter eggs and bunnies.

Sandy Greenwald returned recently from an extended stay with her daughters and families. First she went to Patti & Dave Gelnnen's in Casselton, ND on Friday. Then, on to youngest daughter Sheena and Adam Buckhouse, in Aberdeen, SD, from Mon-Wed. Then on to Cheryl and Jeremy Schiele's in Jamestown, ND. She got to see their newer large home they just moved into. It's just beautiful. She watched the kids some to help out. She had a great time visiting with each family.

Tuesday evening, the Lions sponsored a Family Night at the School from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. They served cheese burgers, potato chips, cookie, banana & yogurt. There was a book fair. Ten

Kindles were given away. Guests that evening were: the Oklee Ambulance, Plummer Fire Dept., Inter-County Community Council, and a DNR Naturalist. They were in the library.

Wednesday, nine ladies gathered at the Cozy Bar & Grill in Brooks for dinner. They were: Anna D., Barb N., Mary S., Jean C., Alice J., Elinor O., Anne T., Micki D., and Karen T. Anne won the quarter pot. They had spaghetti, burgers, and potato salad, and wonton, egg rolls and rice. Dessert was cake with pineapple frosting.

Wavell Sorenson left for a trip to Nashville. Hope to have a report on that next week.

Enbridge was supposed to have started oil flowing this past Monday in our area.

This past Saturday, I watched Nascar races on TV from Phoenix. It was in the 90's – hard on the cars. It was exciting.

It's slowly warming up. The winds have been plenty cold, however. My poplar tree has buds on it. I still haven't seen a robin. Have a great week!

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in your body, are in your feet! Your ribs move about 5 million times a year, every time you breathe!

Your stomach has to produce a new layer of mucus every two weeks or it will digest itself.

Human thigh bones are stronger than concrete.

If brain cells were replaced,

like skin or liver cells, scientists hypothesize we would lose our memories.

Due to jobs, kids, TV, the Internet, hobbies, and home and family responsibilities, the average married couple spends just four minutes a day alone together.

Red Lake County Notice of Delinquent Taxes

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF RED LAKE

TO: ALL PERSONS WITH A LEGAL INTEREST IN THE PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE FOLLOWING DELINQUENT TAX LIST

A list of real property in Red Lake County on which delinquent property taxes and penalties are due has been filed with the District Court Administrator of Red Lake County. This list is published to inform all persons that the listed property is subject to forfeiture because of delinquent taxes.

The property owner, taxpayer or other interested person must either pay the tax and penalty, plus costs or file a written objection with the District Court Administrator. The objection must be filed by April 11, 2017 stating the reason why the property tax or penalty is not due on the property. If no objection is filed, a court judgment will be entered against the property for the unpaid tax, penalty, interest, and costs.

For property under court judgment, the period of redemption begins on May 8, 2017. The period of redemption means the time within which taxes must be paid to avoid losing the property through forfeiture. The period of redemption is three years, with a handful of exemptions. The redemption period is one year for most properties located in a targeted neighborhood, as defined in the Minnesota laws, and for municipal solid waste disposal facilities. The redemption period is five-weeks for certain abandoned or vacant properties.

You may also enter into a confession of judgment as an alternative method to paying off the delinquent tax amount and avoiding forfeiture. This allows you to pay the delinquent balance in equal annual installments with a down payment due at the time you confess judgment. The length of the installment plan varies: 5 years for commercial-industrial/public utility property; 10 years for all other properties.

If you have homesteaded property, you may be eligible for a Senior Citizen's Property Tax Deferral, which enables seniors to pay just 3% of their household income and allow remaining amounts to become a lien on the property that may be deferred for later payment (perhaps upon eventual sale of the property).

It should also be noted by property homesteaders that you are ineligible to receive the Property Tax Refund while you owe delinquent tax.

To determine how much interest and costs must be added to pay the tax in full, contact the Red Lake County Auditor's Office, Red Lake County Courthouse, Red Lake Falls, MN 56750. You may also contact the County Auditor's Office at (218) 253-2598 or at raschmiltz@co.red-lake.mn.us

DISTRICT COURT SEAL

Kathy Narlock, Court Administrator, 9th Judicial District

DELINQUENT TAX LIST

The following table contains a list of real property located in Red Lake County on which taxes and penalties became delinquent on January 2, 2017. Interest calculated from January 2, 2017 and county costs must be paid along with the total tax and penalties in order for a parcel of real property to be removed from the delinquent list.

EMARVILLE TOWNSHIP				
Marc Phillip 455 Gardenside Ave So. San Francisco, CA 94080	E1/2NE1/4 E OF HW 27-151-42	2016	696.29	
GARNES TOWNSHIP				
Darwin J & Dena M Boutain 36402 195 TH ST NE Goodridge, MN 56725	SE ¼ 22-151-41	2016	423.95	
Clayton A Moen Revocatable Trust				
Darwin J & Dena M Boutain 36402 195 TH ST NE Goodridge, MN 56725	tract in NE 1/4SE1/4 LESS RW 26-152-41	2016	139.89	
Virgil & Jennifer Boutain 18140 250 TH Ave SE Plummer, MN 56748	W1/2NW1/4 17-151-41	2016	643.14	
LAMBERT TOWNSHIP				
Jeff Klaven 24634 Hwy 92 SE Brooks, MN 56715	SW1/4SE1/4 7-150-41	2016	80.62	
Patrick Kruchowski 25542 285 TH Ave SE Brooks, MN 56715	TRACT 410' X 1395' IN W1/2E1/2 23-150-41	2016	549.20	
NW MN Multi County Housing P.O. Box 128 Mentor, MN 56736				
Red Lake County P.O. Box 367 Red Lake Falls, MN 56750				
Kimberly J & Jason Ventura 100 7 TH Ave SE Oklee, MN 56742	TRACT 495' X 440' IN N1/2NW1/4 12-150-41	2016	293.10	
Security State Bank P.O. Box 69 Oklee, MN 56742				
POPLAR RIVER TOWNSHIP				
Mark Collins 18254 250 TH St SE Brooks, MN 56715	BLDG SITE IN SW1/4 18-150-43	2016	306.87	
Unity Bank North P.O. Box 280 Red Lake Falls, MN 56750				
CITY OF BROOKS				
John H Green Jr. 18217 138 TH St NE Thief River Falls, MN 56701	NWSE N OF RIVER; E1/2N2SW E OF HWY & N OF RIVER 11-150-42	2016	622.12	

Ultima Bank MN 101 Central Ave E P.O. Box 127 Plummer, MN 56748				
Josephine Adamski P.O. Box 115 Brooks, MN 56715	BRKS LTS 11 & 12 BLK 2	2016	240.54	
Bart & Tammy Gerbracht 4480 Montego Ave S Fargo, ND 58103-1096	BRKS LOTS 6 & 7 BLK	2016	190.97	
CITY OF OKLEE				
Toni Magnell 205 Bourden St P.O. Box 143 Oklee, MN 56742	OKL Lt 4 Blk 1	2016	455.26	
Brooks Community Federal Credit Union P.O. Box 38 Brooks, MN 56715				
City of Oklee P.O. Box 190 Oklee, MN 56742				
NW MN Multi County HRA P.O. Box 128 Mentor, MN 56736				
Christopher Molstad 403 Lambert St Oklee, MN 56742	OKL S1/2 of Lt 2; Lt 3 Blk 10	2016	238.49	
Border State Bank P.O. Box 599 Thief River Falls, MN 56701				
Nicholas Clark P.O. Box 124 Oklee, MN 56742	OKL LOT 4; N ½ OF LOT 5 BLK 10	2016	682.39	
Nicholas Clark P.O. Box 124 Oklee, MN 56742	OKL S ½ OF LOT 5; LOT 6 BLK 10	2016	489.99	
Donald & Barbara Bernard 28048 220 TH St SE Oklee, MN 56742	OKL LOT 12 BLK 10	2016	334.69	
Matthew Genova 409 Main Ave St S Oklee, MN 56742	OKL LOTS 5 & 6 BLK 16	2016	390.40	
George & Antonette Burtwick P.O. Box 2 Oklee, MN 56742	OKL 1 ST ADD S50' OF LOT 3	2016	341.19	
Ultima Bank MN 101 Central Ave E P.O. Box 127 Plummer, MN 56748				
George & Antonette Burthwick P.O. Box 2 Oklee, MN 56742	OKL 1 ST ADD LOT 4	2016	148.84	
Ultima Bank MN 101 Central Ave E P.O. Box 127				

Plummer, MN 56748				
George & Antonette Burthwick P.O. Box 2 Oklee, MN 56742	OKL 1965 ADD LT 1 less N27.8' LT 2 & 3 BLK 17	2016	492.17	
Ultima Bank MN 101 Central Ave E P.O. Box 127 Plummer, MN 56748				
Wilmar Heath P.O. Box 244 Oklee, MN 56742	OKL 1965 ADD ALL OF BLOCK 24	2016	253.96	
Patricia Glick 408 Bourden St P.O. Box 8 Oklee, MN 56742	OKL 1965 ADD Lt 4& 5 Blk 29	2016	696.82	
NW MN Housing HRA P.O. Box 128 Mentor, MN 56736				
City of Oklee P.O. Box 190 Oklee, MN 56742				
Ronald B & Courtney L Bishop P.O. Box 44 Oklee, MN 56742	OKL 1965 ADD LOTS 7 & 8 BLK 29	2016	747.29	
Kyle & Jessica Dudycha 503 Toupin Dr. Oklee, MN 56742				
Ultima Bank MN 101 Central Ave E P.O. Box 127 Plummer, MN 56748				
Noah & Natasha Chapman P.O. Box 92 Oklee, MN 56742	OKL 1965 ADD S 25' OF LT 1; N 25' OF LT 2 BLK 34	2016	102.89	
CITY OF PLUMMER				
James D Congdon 185 Minnesota St S Plummer, MN 56748	PL LOTS 15 - 18 BLK 5	2016	739.32	
Ultima Bank MN 9 West NM Ave P.O. Box 9 Winger, MN 56592				
Arthur Paulson P.O. Box 175 Plummer, MN 56748	PL W 25' OF LOT 2; LOT 3 NLK 12	2016	244.28	
CITY OF RED LAKE FALLS				
Mary Davis C/O Rachel L Graybill- Bundgard 502 Main Ave S Red Lake Falls, MN 56750	RLF C&D LOTS 13 – 15 BLK 20	2016	2387.74	
James & Mary Nephew 413 7 TH St NE Red Lake Falls, MN 56750	RLF KRETZ ADD AUD LT 6 BLK 50	2016	1132.97	
Chad Edward Pesch				
Rhonda Bach 708 Knight Ave N Thief River Falls, MN 56701	RLF RR ADD LTS 7 & 8 BLK 8	2016	552.58	

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