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...AND CONTINUING THE PLUMMER PIONEER

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RLCC Graduation is May 26

On Friday, May 26th at 5:30 p.m. (note the time changes from past years), 22 students will be graduating from Red Lake County Central High School. Graduation will be held at in the gymnasium in Oklee.

The speakers will be the top three students in the Class of 2017. They are Angel Auman, daughter of Antoniette and the late Steven McPherson; Ashley Longtin, daughter of Lonnie and Michele Longtin; and Taylor Bushelle, daughter of Jesse and Tiffany Bushelle and Alex and Jason Goodmansom. The class has chosen "The



90's Saved the Best for Last" as their class motto. Class colors are red, silver, and black. For the class flower they chose a red tipped white rose and red daisy.

The Honor Guards from the junior class will be Hannah Kolstoe and Katie Olson.

Usherettes will include juniors Erin Jones, Kara Longtin, Sydney Melby, and Matthew Vettleson.

The Oklee American Legion Post #159 will present the Colors. The Processional and Recessional will be played on the piano by Peggy Miller. Principal Mr. Randall Pederson will be presenting the Class of 2017. Superintendent Mr. James Guetter and School Board Chairman Mr. Matt Kolstoe will be presenting the Diplomas.

Congratulations to RLCC's Class of 2017.

Oklee Cafe site of Veteran's display honoring the men who served

The idea of having a wall of honor started with Oklee's Post Office gal, Mädchen Mero, NTFT (non-traditional full-time clerk), or Mae as we all call her affectionately.

Mae had on display a photograph of her grandfather, Glen Walizer who served in WWII holding her mother. She thought of making one entire wall in the post office as a

display to honor all veterans in the community and started asking for others to bring their photos of loved ones to display.

Everyone loved the idea and the Oklee American Legion took it one step farther. After talking to Mae Mero and Teresa Benson, of the Oklee Cafe, both agreed to allow the display to be moved from the post office to the cafe and the display has

been growing ever since.

Mae was happy it was well received and is glad that it is continuing to grow and hopes it will continue for years.

The American Legion has continued to hang photos of the persons who have served our country and if you have a photo to add to the wall, please contact an Oklee American Legion member.

Local Memorial Day programs



Please join us in remembering those military members who died in the service of our country.

Oklee

The Memorial Day Program will be at the RLCC School in Oklee at 9:30 a.m. Monday, May 29th to remember our veterans.

Father Adam Hamness will be the speaker. Patriotic music will be provided by members of the RLCC School choir under the direction of Patti Mickelson.

The American Legion will lead the program and the American Legion Auxiliary will be serving coffee, lemonade, and bars following.

Plummer

The Memorial Day Program will be Monday, May 29th at 10:30 a.m. in the Plummer City Park (in case of rain it will be at RLCC Plummer Site).

Following the service the Honor Guard will march to the river at the Creamery Bridge for a tribute to those who died at sea. Free will offering lunch will be served at the American Legion Club following the Service.



In the fall of 2015, the display started by Mae Mero at the Oklee Post Office was moved to the Oklee Cafe (the left side where they started) and it has grown to encompass the wall to the right and continues to be added to monthly as new photos are brought in.

The Oklee Herald

will be **CLOSED** on **Monday, May 29, 2017** in observance of **MEMORIAL DAY**

Calendar of Events

Wed, May 24:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.

-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

Thu, May 25:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.

Fri, May 26:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.

-5:30 p.m. RLCC Graduation

Sat, May 27:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!

Sun, May 28:
-Worship at the church of your choice.

Mon, May 29:
-Memorial Day!
-No Senior Meal

Tue, May 30:
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards.

-LSS Sr. Evening Meals 5:00 p.m.

Wed, May 31:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.

-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

Thu, June 1:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.

Fri, June 2:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.



The photo above is of Mae's grandfather, holding her mother, which still stands on her counter at the Oklee Post Office. The photo to the right is of the original display that Mae started. Shortly after she created the display, it was moved to the Oklee Cafe.



Huot Hustlers 4-H Club News

The Huot Hustlers 4-H Club received a check for \$500.00 from the DuPont Pioneer Giving Program to help with the costs and maintenance for the Red Lake Falls Area Community Swimming Pool. The Huot Hustlers were able to apply for this Matching Funds Grant by helping with the bake sale during a local fundraising event for the pool

in August 2016.

The Huot Hustlers 4-H Club has been active in many community betterment projects throughout its years such as maintaining and upkeep of a small rural cemetery (Cyr Cemetery); fixing, cleaning, and painting of a historical country schoolhouse (Perreault Country School); Adopt a Highway

Ditch Cleaning Program since 1990; assisting various local businesses and fraternal agencies for their community events; and developing positive relationships with members of Sunview Center Senior Living with our Annual Christmas Party and our end of year "Sharing Our 4-H Fun" Demonstration Day.



Left to Right) Grace Smith, Quinnlynn Kenfield, Kendra Rondorf, Gary Purath (Pioneer Seeds), Haydon Shulstad, Justin Solie, Kaydon Kenfield, Jacob Solie, Jacob Harmoning, and Coby Knott).

Suspects arrested for Plummer burglaries

Update:

Two Mahnomen area men have been arrested in connection with the burglaries that occurred in the City of Plummer earlier this week. Patrick Porter and Percy French Jr. were apprehended in Mahnomen County earlier today and they have been booked into the jail in Crookston. They were booked for several felony charges, including Burglary, Theft and Property Damage. They will

be arraigned early next week. The Red Lake County Sheriff's Office worked with the White Earth Tribal Police Department and the Mahnomen County Sheriff's Office on this investigation.

Previously:

The Red Lake County Sheriff's Office is investigating burglaries that occurred at the American Legion Club and D & K Corner Bar in the City of Plummer. These crimes were committed in the early morning hours of 5-17-17. The suspects took cash and cigarettes from the bars. Between the two establishments, over \$10,000 in monetary losses and property damages are estimated. This case is still under investigation.

Mitch Bernstein, Red Lake County Sheriff



More Than \$502,000 of Garden Valley Capital Credits Paid In May

Over 20,200 checks, totaling more than \$502,000, were

issued on May 18 to Garden Valley Telephone Company members who had service with the cooperative in 2000 and/or 2016, including over \$35,000 for members with Oklee, Brooks, Gully and Plummer addresses.

Advantages of a Cooperative

More than \$12.6-million of capital credits have been authorized by the board of directors for payment to Garden Valley members over the last ten years.

Article VII of the cooperative's By-Laws provides that capital credited to members may be retired and paid if the financial condition of the cooperative will not be impaired.

112th Annual Meeting

Garden Valley's 112th annual membership meeting will be held in the auditorium of the Win-E-Mac Public School near Erskine on Tuesday, June 6, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. and "The WoodPicks" will entertain during registration.

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Margaret Jacobus
Sun, May 28: 9:00 a.m.
Zion. 10:30 a.m. Salem.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH OKLEE
Fr. Adam Hamness
Sun, May 28: 7:30 a.m.
Confessions 8:00 a.m. Mass.

BROOKS - RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bob Schreiner
Sat, May 27: 5:30 p.m. RLF
Sun, May 28: 8:00 a.m. RLF.
Brooks. 10:00 a.m. RLF.

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, May 28: 9:00 a.m.
Worship at Ebenezer. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Immanuel.
Potluck following service.
Mon, May 29: 9:00 a.m.
Quilting at Immanuel.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive - Nazareth
Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseith
Sat, May 27: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, May 28: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:45 a.m. Oak Park. 11:00 a.m. Nazareth.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, May 24: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Thu, May 25: 12:00 p.m. Rotary.
Sun, May 28: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:50 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, May 30: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:00 a.m. Quilting. 6:30 p.m. Church Bible Study.
Wed, May 31: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, May 28: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Lund. 10:30 a.m. Worship Sand Valley.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sun, May 28: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith
Pastor Kristen Ostercamp
Sun, May 28: 8:30 a.m. Eklund, 9:45 a.m. Faith. 11:00 a.m. Bethany.

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Oklee Senior Site Dining

May 29 - June 2
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: Closed for Memorial Day.

Tuesday: Pancake, 2 pc. bacon, 1 egg, and dessert.

Wednesday: Spaghetti, meat sauce, mixed vegetables, garlic toast, and dessert.

Thursday: Tator tot hotdish, coleslaw, toast, and dessert.

Friday: Cheeseburger w/ bun, macaroni salad, vegetable, and dessert.

Tri-Valley Public Transportation

T.H.E. Bus is available for anyone. There are no age or income guidelines. However, children under the age of four must be accompanied by an adult and children under the age of one must be secured in an infant seat.

Curb-to-curb services is available, allowing those with special needs a safe and convenient transportation. All of our buses are handicapped accessible and lift-equipped. All of our drivers are trained and certified.

To reserve a seat, please call one business day prior to the scheduled trip - 1-800-201-3432.

For Polk, Red Lake and Clearwater county stops:
Every Monday - Grand Forks.

Every 2nd Tuesday - Mahanomen.

Every 4th Tuesday - Thief River Falls

Every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesday - Fargo/Moorhead.

Every 2nd & 4th Friday - Bemidji.

Zion Cemetery Work Bee

On Wednesday, May 24 at 6:30 pm we need everyone who is able to help to fill depressions & hollow graves, lift ground markers, & straighten leaning granite monuments. Please bring your own shovels, rakes & pry bars. Thank you!

Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial Update

Soon the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial will be filled with color when the annual petunia planting takes place! The Oklee Garden Club will be busy planting the more than 400 red and white petunias around the memorial and will also water and weed that garden area, as well as other community flower beds in town. The Memorial grounds need a collective effort to keep them looking nice, and that includes mowing which Vince Dessellier has voluntarily done over the years. In addition, Cliff Melby has helped with lawn care, and Bob and Phyllis Melby have worked up the garden area to ready it for planting. The maintenance at the Oklee Area



Cubbies: Back Row: Nora Klinkhammer, Hattie Moll, Grace Teiken, Greta Teiken, Owen Swiers, and Sawyer Marquis; Front Row: Grafton Langemo, Cora Hoagland, Kyliegh Lucas, Julia Green, and Jase Lundell.

AWANA Awards Night at New Journey Church

The AWANA clubs that meet a New Journey Church recently concluded their club year with an awards night. Besides club and Sunday School/Church attendance awards, very special awards were given to clubbers who completed a scripture memory book.

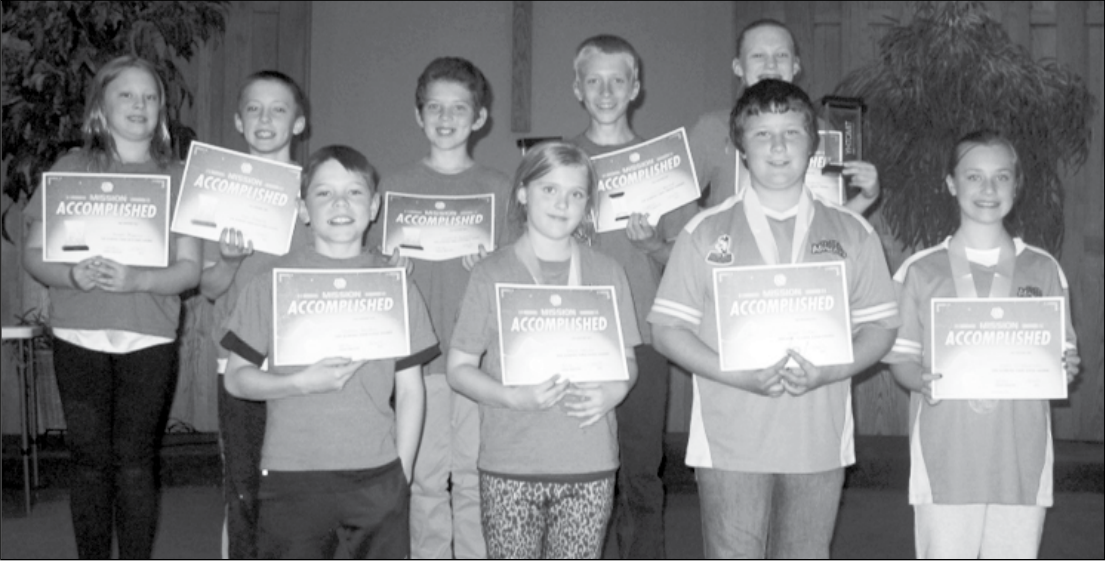
Pictured are those who received book awards from

Cubbies (pre-kindergarten), Sparks (kindergarten through second grade), and Truth & Training (grades 3-6). Norah Marquis and Asher Lundell each earned the Sparky Plaque, and Kinsley Duppong and Cullen Norland each earned the Timothy Award, the highest awards presented to their age group.

AWANA, an acronym for Approved Workman Are Not Ashamed from 2 Timothy 2:15, are international, non-denominational clubs. They meet Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:00pm at New Journey Church, late September through April. All children are invited to attend when clubs resume in the fall.



Sparks: Back Row: Norah Marquis and Asher Lundell; Middle Row: Claire Klinkhammer, Lillian Nelson, Ella Langemo, Brielle Duppong, and Colton Teiken; Front Row: Lydia Green, Rylan Davis, Ethan Swiers, and Quinten Lundell.



Truth & Training: Back Row: Teagan Duppong, Ryne Duppong, Maverick Anderson, Cullen Norland, and Kinsley Duppong; Front Row: Hudson Boushee, Reese Wedin, Wyatt Teiken, and Lydia Klinkhammer.

Retirement
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- for -
Mary Fore, Dan Brustad, Melody Brustad, Nancy Bray, and Sue Hagge
Plummer School Library
May 26th starting at 1:30 p.m.

Women in Agriculture Network Announce Event

The June Women in Agriculture Network (WAGN) seminar will be a farm transition and estate planning workshop entitled, "Where Do I Begin?"

The event will be June 6, 2017 at the Halstad Legion Recreation Center (580 2nd Ave. West, Halstad, MN 56548). Registration is at 9AM with the program running from 9:30AM-3:30PM. The fee is \$20, which covers the cost of lunch catered by Erickson's Smokehouse. Payment can be made the day of event.

"Many farm families struggle with beginning the process of transitioning the family business to the next generation," shares Gary Hachfeld, Extension Educator. "The process takes communication, trust, and respect as a foundation to begin the task. The 'Farm Business Transition: Where Do I Begin?' program addresses many of these items. Program participants will be introduced

to ideas, concepts, and tools they can use to help them get started with the process."

Participants will learn about different communications styles; transferring labor, income, management, and assets; retirement considerations for the senior generation; assessing an operation's financial viability; and goal-setting. Through fun, hands on exercises, families will learn how to apply these concepts to their farm and begin their own transition and succession plan.

To register, please visit: <http://z.umn.edu/junewagn>.

To learn more about Women in Ag Network or this event, please visit: <http://www.extension.umn.edu/agriculture/business/women-in-ag/>.

If you have any questions please contact Lacy Wulfekuhle, Extension Educator Norman and Mahnomen Counties at 218-784-5551 or lwulfeku@umn.edu.



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Oklee & Brooks Residents

PLEASE NOTE:
Due to the Memorial Day Holiday, Garbage will be picked up on Tuesday, May 30th.
THANK YOU!



Veterans' Memorial makes this tribute to all veterans look respectful, and it's a place to remember the sacrifice that our veterans have given for all of us. The success of the Veterans' Memorial also includes the volunteer work of Lori Melby and Larry Skallet who do the paper work and help keep

records.
Donations to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial may be sent to Security State Bank, Box 69, Oklee, MN 56742, Attn: Lori Melby. Questions regarding the Memorial may be sent to Mary Lynn Bachand at marylbachand@gmail.com.

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6	9	4	3	7	8	2	1	5
9	4	2	8	1	3	7	5	6
8	1	5	6	9	7	3	4	2
7	3	6	4	2	5	1	9	8
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Red Lake Count Central preschool programs let their stars shine and receive 4-Star Ratings

Both School Readiness programs at Red Lake County Central (Plummer and Oklee) recently had the honor of being awarded a Four-Star Rating for incorporating practices that best prepare children for kindergarten. Parent Aware “Highest Possible Rating” certificates were recently presented to each school. Each site has gone above and beyond making quality care and early education available to the families in RLCC school district.

According to the Parent Aware website (<http://parentaware.org>), “When a program volunteers to participate in the Parent Aware Star Rating process, we like to say they are letting their stars shine. They are going above and beyond health and safety requirements and are sharing that with families looking for quality care and education programs.”

“Participating programs receive a Rating of One, Two, Three or Four Stars. Parent Aware Ratings are based on demonstrated use of practices that best prepare children for kindergarten. Each Rating level builds on the previous, helping families easily identify how far a program has progressed in adopting these practices.”

The Parent Aware website describes the criteria in determining what rating a program might receive.

One-Star Rating: programs have completed the following steps:

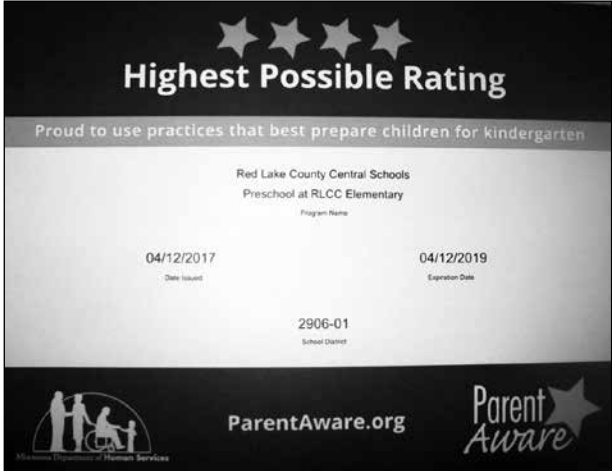
Volunteered for training on the basics of how children grow and learn, and how to track children’s developmental progress

Developed strong relationships with children and their families, and offer families information about

helpful community services

Are committed to improving their own training and education in the early learning field

Two-Star Rating:



Parent Aware “Highest Possible Rating” Certificates were recently presented to Plummer and Oklee preschool programs.

programs have done all of the things One-Star programs do, and also:

Are committed to school readiness using daily schedules, learning activities and materials, classroom layout, and health-related practices

Volunteered for training on Minnesota’s early learning standards

Developed strong relationships with children and their families with open two-way conversations with parents about child’s growth and development and offering information about paying for care.

Planned for and pursued ongoing learning.

Three-Star Rating: programs have done all of the things One- and Two-Star programs do, and also:

Are committed to school readiness by using child assessment and curriculum and promoting critical thinking

Are committed to ongoing professional development and have volunteered for training in some of the following: Key areas of children’s development,

Cultural and socio-economic differences between families, Practices that support inclusion, Offering healthy meals, and Engaging children in physical activity and active play

Developed strong relationships with families by doing some of the following: Sharing assessment results, Helping them access family support services, and Providing information in parents’ primary languages

Four-Star Rating: programs have done all of the things One, Two and Three-Star programs do, and also:

Are committed to school readiness by using best practices in child assessment and promote critical thinking

Are committed to ongoing professional development and have volunteered for training in most of the following: Key areas of children’s development, Cultural and socio-economic differences between families, Practices that support inclusion and offering healthy meals, Engaging children in physical activity and active play

Develop strong relationships with families by doing most of the following: Sharing assessment results, Helping them access family support services, and Providing information in parents’ primary languages

Parent Aware website also includes a checklist that families can use for assessing the quality of an early education program. It includes eight indicators.

1. Caring: A close, positive relationship exists between children and their provider/early educator. 2. Training: The provider understands child development and has been trained to care for children. 3. Group size: Children are cared for in small groups and receive the attention they need from adults. 4. Environment: The program space is clean and safe. 5. Planned Activity: A variety of activities are planned throughout the day that are interesting and involve each child. 6. Track Development: Children are regularly observed and their learning and development is tracked. 7. Respectful: The provider is respectful of each child’s unique background and encourages children to celebrate their individuality. 8. Communication: Parents and early educators communicate daily about the children’s well-being.

(Information for this article came from parentaware.org.)

For more information and reports about Parent Aware and the rated programs in Minnesota, go to Minnesota Department of Human Services website and visit the Child Care Research page.

Congratulations to the staff of the Plummer and Oklee preschool programs on receiving high ratings.



RLCC Oklee preschool students making tracks with vehicles in shaving cream.



RLCC preschool programs received a Four-Star Rating for practices the best that prepare children for kindergarten. Pictured are kids from the RLCC preschool program.

Mustangs lose to Bobcats

By: Sarah Christensen

The Red Lake County Central Mustang girls lost 1-20 against Ada-Borup/Norman County West on Thursday, May 11. The Bobcats scored 11 runs in the first inning, five runs in the third inning, and four runs in the fourth inning. The Mustangs only run was scored in the first inning. Mustang pitcher Calyssa Eskeli pitched all four innings striking out two Bobcats.

For the Mustangs Billie Gyskiewicz and Jayden Fore hit doubles. For the Bobcats Madison Smart hit two doubles and Emily Sip hit one double. Smart had five RBIs, Sip had three RBIs, Kora Kritzerberger, Breanna Qualley, and Rachel Arends had two RBIs, and Elizabeth Birkemeyer had one RBI. Zoe Johnson and Gretchen

Vesledahl had two stolen bases. Sip, Smart, and Ivy Johnson had one stolen base.

Mustangs lose to Flyers

By: Marie Johnson

The Red Lake County Central Mustangs softball lost to the Bagley Flyers on Monday, May 5th at Waubun. The Flyers scored two runs in the third inning, five runs in the fifth inning, and eight runs in the sixth inning. The game ended 0-15, Mustangs losing.

For the Mustangs Lacey Pendleton hit a double. Jenna Pahlen had three stolen bases and Sydnie Gunderson had one. For the Flyers Bailey Neapean hit two for three. Marissa Olson and Breanna Nelson each had two RBIs. Faith Broten, McKinzie Halverson, Kennedy Grover, and Callysta Logan each had one RBI.

Calyssa Eskeli pitched five innings for the Mustangs striking out six people. Sidney Olson pitched one inning for the Mustangs. Cori Bonik pitched all six innings for the Flyers striking out ten people.

RLCC against Kittson County Central

By: Sarah Christensen

The Red Lake County Rebel boys’ baseball won 3-0 against the Kittson County Central Bearcats on Tuesday, May 5th. The Rebels scored one run in the second inning, one run in the fourth inning, and one run in the seventh inning.

Pitcher for the Rebels was Josh Casavan with 15 strikeouts winning against the Bearcats pitcher Bryden Swenson with 12 strikeouts. Casavan pitched all seven innings with 68 strikes and 19 balls.



Many creative activities happen during the day at RLCC Oklee preschool.



Plummer preschoolers showing their building skills at School Readiness.



May Students of the Month for RLCC were Heather Longtin and Kelsie Sirjord who were nominated by Mr. Mike Swenson (left) and Mr. Bryan Paskvan (right).

May Students of the Month

By: Hannah Riendeau

Red Lake County Central May Students of the Month awards were given to Kelsie Sirjord and Heather Longtin.

Kelsie Sirjord is 17, a senior, and daughter of Kyle and Jesi Dudycha and Eric and Karianne Sirjord. Sirjord has four siblings: Aiden, Jace, Hunter and Hannah. She is involved in volleyball, Honor Society, and Knowledge Bowl.

She enjoys hanging out with her friends in her free time. Mr. Bryan Paskvan nominated her for the May Senior High Student of the Month. He commented that she is a hard worker and gets her homework done early. He also said she has done well in some difficult online classes.

May Junior High Student of the Month was Heather Longtin who is an eighth

grader, age 14, and daughter of Joanie and Patrick Simpson. She has three sisters: Kara Longtin, Skylar Longtin, and Nevaeh Simpson. She likes to read in her free time. Mr. Michael Swenson nominated her and said she is an excellent student who does her best. She is a good actress and will become an excellent actress. Swenson said, “She has a stage presence than cannot be taught.”



RLCC Senior Ashley Longtin set a new team record in High Jump with 5'3". The previous record was a tie set by Jenny Oscarson in 1997 and Courtney Halvorson in 2007 with a record of 5'2".

2 Team Records Broken at Roseau Track Meet

By: Sydnie Gunderson
The Red Lake County Track and Field participated in the Roseau Track meet on Monday, May 15th. Two Rebel team records were broken at the meet. MaKenzie Williams broke the school record in 100 hurdles with a time of 16.61 previously held by Kelli Hofstad in 1997 with a time of 16.93. Ashley Longtin also broke a Rebel track record in in high jump with 5'3" previously held by Jenny Oscarson in 1997 and Courtney Halvorson in 2007, both jumping 5'2".
The girls' team finished fourth place overall. The placing for the girls' team are the following:
100 Hurdles- 2nd place: MaKenzie Williams 16.61
This is a new **Team Record*, 3rd place: Ashley Longtin 17.32, and 6th place: Megan LaCrosse 18.17.
4x100 Meter Relay- 2nd place: AJ Jones, Julia Bernstein, MaKenzie Williams, and Zoe Russillo 52.85
800 Meter- 3rd place: Clara

Girdler 2:44.12 and 4th place: Kjerstin Nelson 2:44.49
1600 Meter- 4th place: Kjerstin Nelson 6:07.61 and 5th place: Clara Girdler 6:10.98
300 Hurdles- 4th place: Megan LaCrosse 51.01
200 Meter- 2nd place: Zoe Russillo 26.94 and 7th place: AJ Jones 29.79
High Jump- 1st place: Ashley Longtin 5'3" **This is a new **Team Record****, and 2nd place: MaKenzie Williams 5'0"
Long Jump- 4th place: Megan LaCrosse 14'3 ¾"
Triple Jump- 4th place: Megan LaCrosse 30'4 ½" and 5th place: MaKenzie Williams 29'0"
Discus- 6th place: Hollie Knott 78'3"
The boys' team finished in seventh. The boys' team results are the following:
1600 Meter- 3rd place: Chris Longtin 5:10.69
800 Meter- 2nd place: Chris Longtin 2:16.04
Discus- 4th place: Nolan Bushee 96'7"

RLCC falls short to West Marshall Fusion

By Marie Johnson
Red Lake County Central Mustangs lost to West Marshall Fusion on Friday, May 12 at Warren. Mustangs scored seven runs in the first inning to take the lead but couldn't hold on to it after the sixth inning. West Marshall scored one run in the second inning, three runs in the third, and two in the fourth. In the sixth inning the Fusion scored three runs. The Mustangs scored one run in the seventh inning. The end score was 8-9, Mustangs losing by one point.
For the Mustangs Billie Gryskiewicz hit two for three with two RBIs. Angel Auman hit a double. Sidney Olson, Sydnie Gunderson, Auman, Megan Berberich, and Taylor Bushelle each had one RBI. Bushelle had one stolen base.
For the Fusion Brooke Clausen hit three for four with one RBI, Jules Elfa hit four for four with one RBI, and Savannah Riopelle hit two for two with three RBI's. Clausen hit two doubles and Riopelle hit one double. Clausen had two stolen bases, Lexus Efta and Lexi Parker each had one.
Calyssa Eskeli pitched the whole game for the Mustangs, striking out eight people. Clausen started to pitch for the

Fusion, but Brooke Hunstad came into to pitch, striking out seven people.

RLCC Mustangs vs Sacred Heart Eagles

By: Sarah Christensen
The Red Lake County Central Mustangs girls' softball lost 2-12 to the Sacred Heart Eagles on Monday, May 5th. The Mustangs scored their only two runs in the first inning on errors. The Eagles scored three in the first inning, two in the second inning, six in the third inning, and one run in the fifth inning ending the game.
For the Mustangs Angel Auman had one stolen base. For the Eagles Anna Koponen had four RBIs, Mikayla Vasek had two RBIs, Lily Ziprich, Abby Smidt, and Lauren Larson all had one RBI. Lily Bergman had two stolen bases, Anya Edwards, and Smidt each had one stolen base. Smidt also hit a double.
Pitching for the Mustangs was Calyssa Eskeli and Sidney Olson. Eskeli pitched three innings pitching 85 pitches. Olson pitched the last innings pitching 23 pitches. Koponen pitched for the Eagles pitching all five innings throwing 94 pitches with five strikeouts.

RLCC Softball

By: Hannah Riendeau
Red Lake County Central went to Waubun on Tuesday May, 16. Mustangs lost 0-15 to Mahonnen-Waubun. Mahonnen-Wabun got three runs in the first inning, one in the second, six in the third, and five in the fourth.
The highlights for Mahnomen-Waubun were Veronica Spry with three RBIs and Makena Spaeth had two. Sydney Bly, Molly Mertens, Rachel McArthur, Nicole Sweberg, Deondra Jackson and Nahayla Londo all had one RBI.
Calyssa Eskeli pitched three innings and struck out three batters. Sidney Olson pitched two innings. Deondra Jackson pitched for the Mahnomen-Waubun. She pitched four innings and struck out five players.

Mahnomen/Waubun Junior High Meet

By: Julia Bernstein
The Red Lake County junior high track team attended the Mahnomen/Waubun Meet in Mahnomen on Monday, May 15th. The girls' B division placed sixth and the boys' B division team placed eighth.
The girls' results are listed below:
100 Hurdles- 1st place: Shawna Majeres 18.43
200 Meter- 1st place: Shawna Majeres 29.38
4x100 Meter Relay- 8th place: Molly Smith, Carlee Whalen, Marissa Thomas, and Paige Olson 1:11.27
800 Meter Medley Relay- 4th place: Aurimy Olson, Paige Olson, Ariell Rude, and Shawna Majeres 2:31.44
Shot Put- 7th place: Marissa Thomas 25'0"
Discus- 5th place: Marissa Thomas 62'7"
Long Jump- 2nd place: Shawna Majeres 11'11"
The boys' results are listed below:
110 Hurdles- 4th place: Steven Sogla 20.65 and 6th place: Brody Moen 21.90
200 Meter- 3rd place: Brody Moen 31.91 and 8th place: Steven Sogla 34.32
800 Meter Medley Relay- 3rd place: Oscar Duden, Gunnar Sandeen, Steven Sogla, and Brody Moen 2:20.43
Long Jump- tied for 8th place: Brody Moen 13'0"
Shot Put- 7th place: Oscar Duden 19'8" and 8th place: Gunnar Sandeen 16'2"

West Marshall Lion's Invite Meet

By: Julia Bernstein
The Red Lake County Rebels Track and Field team attended the West Marshall Lion's Invite Meet in Warren on Friday, May 12th. The girls' team finished fourth and the boys' team placed ninth at the meet.
The results for the girls' team are the following:
100 Hurdles- 3rd place: MaKenzie Williams 17.03 and 4th place: Ashley Longtin 17.05
100 Meter- 1st place: Zoe Russillo 12.84
4x100 Meter Relay- 1st place: AJ Jones, Julia Bernstein, MaKenzie Williams, and Zoe Russillo 52.93
300 Hurdles- 6th place: Megan LaCrosse 51.64
200 Meter- 1st place: Zoe Russillo 27.39 and 3rd place: AJ Jones 29.24
High Jump- 1st place: Ashley Longtin 4'10" and 2nd place: MaKenzie Williams 4'8"
Triple Jump- 3rd place: Megan LaCrosse 30'9 ½"
The results for the boys' team are the following:
800 Meter- 2nd place: Chris Longtin 2:15.63
Shot Put- 6th place: Nick Pahlen 35'6"

RLC-10, BGMR-0

By: Julia Bernstein
The Red Lake County Rebels baseball played Badger-Greenbush/Middle River in Greenbush on Monday, May 15th. RLC beat BGMR 10-0. RLC scored one run in the first inning, two in the third, one in the fourth, and six in the



Eighth graders at RLCC made a variety of wood projects: Brody Moen, Brock Tvedt, Eric Gieseke, Isaiah Aquino, Kia Bachand, and Janae Olson.



George Duden, Bryan Meyer, Katelyn Suchy, Heather Longtin, Bella Russillo, and Bailey Culkins with their wood projects in eighth grade RLCC shop Class.

fifth inning.
For the Rebels, Josh Casavan hit two for three, two home runs and four RBIs. Derek Peterson was three for three at bat and had a double. Nate Hofstad had two RBIs.
The winning pitcher was Brandon Klipping with three strikeouts in the five innings he pitched. The losing pitcher was Derek Knutson from BGMR.

Ada-Borup/NCW Invite Track and Field Meet

By: Julia Bernstein
On Thursday, May 18th the Red Lake County Track and Field team attended the Ada-Borup/NCW Invite Meet in Ada. The girls' team placed fifth in the meet.
Girls' results are the following:
100 Hurdles- 4th place: MaKenzie Williams 16.98
100 Meter- 2nd Place: Zoe Russillo 12.57
4x100 Meter Relay- 2nd Place: AJ Jones, Julia Bernstein., MaKenzie Williams, and Zoe Russillo 52.53 **This is a new **Team Record** **
300 Hurdles- 6th place: Megan LaCrosse 51.41
200 Meter- 5th place: Zoe Russillo 26.95
High Jump- 2nd place: Ashley Longtin 4'10" and tied for 3rd Place: MaKenzie Williams 4'8"
Triple Jump- 4th place: Megan LaCrosse 30'4 ¾".

Mustangs sink the Pirates

By: Sarah Christensen
The Red Lake County Central Mustang girls played softball against Crookston in Oklee on Thursday, May 18 winning 14-4. The Mustangs scored one run in the first inning, five runs in the third inning, one run in the fourth inning, three runs in the



Sophomore Sarah Christensen made a shelving unit out of oak in the RLCC shop class.

fifth inning and four runs in the sixth inning. The Pirates scored one run in the second inning, and three in the fifth inning.
For the Mustangs Calyssa Eskeli and Megan Berberich hit a double and Billie Gryskiewicz hit a triple. Megan Berberich had three RBIs, Sidney Olson and Calyssa Eskeli had two RBIs, Gryskiewicz, Angel Auman, and Jenna Pahlen had one RBI. Auman had one stolen base. Eskeli pitched for the Mustangs striking out two Pirates.
For the Pirates Amanda Trandem hit a double and had one RBI. Tiffany Hanson had one RBI and two stolen bases. Pitching for the Pirates was Kaitlyn Thingelstad pitching

three innings striking out four Mustangs. Hanson pitched the last two innings striking out one.



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Fifty-two 3rd-6th grade future Rebel football players and their new Rebel football t-shirts.

115th Red Lake County Fair

June 23, 24, & 25



Red Lake County Fair is coming to Oklee June 23-24-25. This year marks the first time the Red Lake County Fair has offered a Rodeo as part of the events. The two day Rodeo will be a fun and exciting event to go to this year. Advance Tickets will be sold for Rodeo and Baja Race until the 20th of June. After that time tickets will be available at the gate.

Red Lake County will kick off fair week with an opening ceremony on June 23, at 8:30 a.m. in front of the Red Lake County Central School. After the ceremony there will be donuts and coffee for the public. Starting at 9:00 a.m. the public is welcome to enter their projects in the Open Class entry. The Fair is looking forward to many new exhibitors for the Open Class. This is where you can shine with your project or gardening skills can be entered and win premiums.

At 1:00 p.m. Senior Citizens are invited to attend the Senior Citizen event at the Oklee Community Hall where an Outstanding Senior Citizen Award will be given out. Play bingo to win prizes. Grab a friend and meet at the East side of the RLCC High School for a scavenger hunt and medalion hunt in the afternoon.

There are lots of events being planned including movies for children in the Cafeteria, demonstrations at the Hall, Hot Wheels Baja in front of the school, and the Tractor Pedal Pull (This is one of the favored events of the year). Times and dates to be announced.

More on the Rodeo

The Red Lake County Fair's Rodeo is coming with two days of rodeo events. It is the 1st year that the Fair Board has hosted the rodeo. Friday night's rodeo event starts at 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, June 24 will be held at 6:00 p.m. This rodeo has been dubbed "the best little rodeo around" and provides up close and personal views of rodeo livestock and dangerous bulls from the WoJo Rodeo Company. There are bucking broncos, trick riders, rodeo clowns, barrel racers, steer wrestlers, calf ropers, and bull riders to keep you entertained throughout the show. Many of these riders are competing for monetary prizes, and some local riders are trying to vie for prize money for their very first time. There are nine full events for both evenings, and there will be a rodeo activity for the little buckaroos during

intermission both evenings.

After the Rodeo, come on down to the Dance at the Barn. The band playing on Friday night is Gravel Road. And Saturday night the Barn Dance will be a DJ, yet to be announced. There will be a beer garden and food available at the event.

The Red Lake County Fair's 5K Walk/Run is organized by Jessie Hamrum. Her contact information is: jessie.hamrum@gmail.com. It will be held on Saturday, June 24 at 8:15 a.m. 5K registration begins on the South side of the RLCC High School.

At 9:00 a.m. the Open class entries and business booths open up for the day, so stop back in the gym to check out those.

4-H awards will be given out at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday.

On Sunday, June 25 at 1:00 p.m. the South Park, will be the 3rd Annual BAJA race at 3:00 p.m. Watch for more details later.

Bingo will be played at the Oklee Community Hall for anyone that is interested at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday.

There will be a Variety of Talent Show, blow up games, and much more.

At 5:00 p.m. the release of exhibits will take place in the gym. Anyone who participated in Open Class entry needs to collect their entries and pick up their awards.

Red Lake County Fair History

As early as 1902, Red Lake County Agricultural Society was hosting the annual county fair. At that time it was a fall event, but has gradually been moved up to its summer home.

It was originally held in Red Lake Falls, the County Seat, and the fair grounds were located just north of the present Homark Home plant in Red Lake Falls. It was complete with a covered grandstand, dance pavilion, and mile race track. The fair grounds were destroyed sometime between 1939 & 1941 by a severe windstorm.

The 4-H program was started in Red Lake County in 1936 reviving the spirit of competition. The traditional 4-H Achievement Day began. The fairground was used for the judging of livestock. Interest in 4-H grew and so did the need for more room. The Community Hall in Red Lake Falls was used as exhibits and the animals were shown

at buildings where the Red Lake Falls baseball and hockey arena are now located.

In 1955, the Fair Board purchased 10 lots along the Clearwater River. In 1960, a Quonset building was erected for 4-H exhibits and a second Quonset was built for the livestock and a third pole building was used for animals. The sports arena was rented from the City, housed open class exhibits, the 4-H concessions stand, grand stand and commercial booths.

In 1980, the Fair Board sold the buildings to the Red Lake Falls Schools with the agreement that the Fair Board could continue to use the building during the fair. In 1981, the Fair Board could no longer use the arena because artificial ice had been installed. All the exhibits were moved to the other buildings. Commercial booths were no longer available because space was limited. Livestock exhibits were also limited because of space.

In 1982, the Red Lake County Fair moved to a new home, Oklee, and many people put in a lot of hard work to organize the move. The Oklee School housed all the commercial exhibits, 4-H exhibits, and open class exhibits (except for livestock) and the Fair Board Office. Inter County Community Council garage, Melby's Fairway warehouse, Oklee Car Wash and the vacant wool shed housed the livestock. The 4-H food stand was set up in the school Home Economics room. The carnival was set up around the main street of Oklee. Everything looked good for the new home of the Red Lake County Fair.

It was less than 48 hours until the fair was set to open, when a tornado swept through Oklee. Luckily none of the buildings that were to be used by the fair were damaged beyond use. The town was a mess with scattered building parts and trees, wires down, electricity off and everyone in a daze. A call went out to the County Extension Agent, Dave Kabes and he was on his way to help the people of Oklee organize and clean-up. A disaster headquarters was set up and hundreds of volunteers were on hand to work. Area people, 4-H'ers, and many outsiders came into Oklee and cleaned up the debris left behind by the tornado and the Fair opened on schedule with an exceptionally clean downtown, while signs of the tornado still could be seen. That fall the Fair Board purchased three lots in Oklee and constructed a 48x80 pole shed for the livestock exhibits.

News Release

According to the Polk County Highway Department, C.S.A.H. 34 in Erskine MN will be closed to through traffic beginning Monday June 5th 2017. The closure will allow the Contractor to reconstruct Vance Avenue from 2nd Street to TH 2. Construction should last from 4-6 weeks.

Anyone desiring further information should contact the Polk County Highway Department in Crookston at (218) 281-3952.

Michael Tidemann Book Review



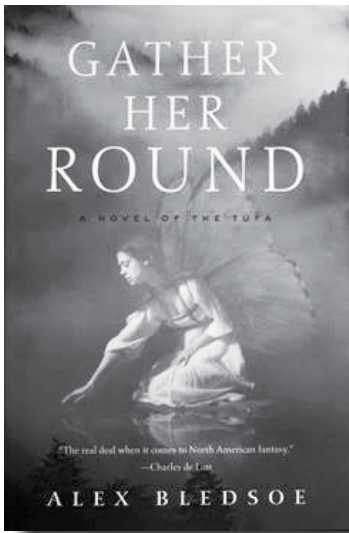
Tidemann started his journalism career at the Bismarck Tribune in 1978 and began college teaching career as a graduate teaching assistant at the University of South Dakota in Vermillion in 1977. He has worked at newspapers in Iowa and the Dakotas and his work has appeared in Overdrive, Writer's Journal, the San Diego Union-Tribune and Snowmobile.

Bledsoe creates the ultimate Southern Gothic fantasy

The latest novel in Alex Bledsoe's Tufa novel series, Gather Her Round, is a wonderful blend of fantasy and Southern Gothic set in the Appalachians of East Tennessee. Bledsoe, who grew up in West Tennessee, lives in Mount Horeb, Wis.

It's probably best, though, if one reads all the novels in the series to fully appreciate Bledsoe's current novel. They include The Hum and the Shiver, Wisp of a Thing, Long Black Curl and Chapel of Ease. The previous novels give a background about the Tufa origins, music and way of life. The novels together also offer a haunting story echo in which primary characters return to enhance plot and theme.

So who are the Tufa? As pastor Craig Chess ponders in The Hum and the Shiver, "the Tufa kept their secrets so close that to Craig's knowledge, no one even knew how they'd turned up deep in Appalachia. Yet when the first official Europeans had reached the valley three centuries earlier, the Tufa were already here, living quietly in the hills and minding their own business."



Gather Her Round
By Alex Bledsoe
Tor
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In Gather Her Round, Kera Rogers goes to the woods to play her pennywhistle. When she's savagely killed and eaten by a giant wild boar, her boyfriend, Duncan Gowan, plans to go with his best friend Adam Procure to hunt down the beast.

When Duncan learns Kera was having an affair with Adam, though, he is torn. As

they start from opposite ends of a valley where Duncan plans to kill Adam, Duncan sees the animal approach and passes up a clear shot, letting the boar kill and devour his friend.

While Duncan did not directly kill Adam, he still must live with letting him die. That's a burden the Tufa can't suffer either, and it's left to Mandalay Harris, leader of one of the Tufa bands, to solve the mystery of Kera and Adam's deaths and, for a moment at least, bring the competing Tufa clans together to wipe the slate clean.

Bledsoe does a great job of bringing skeptical mortals and marginalized Tufa into the series to offer an objective perspective, something that makes the Tufa magic all the more believable. Bledsoe's entire series is sheer magic as he creates a world with scenes so vivid you feel anything can happen – and often does.

If you like realistic characters and settings with a touch of fantasy, this series is for you.

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Book of Local Family History Published

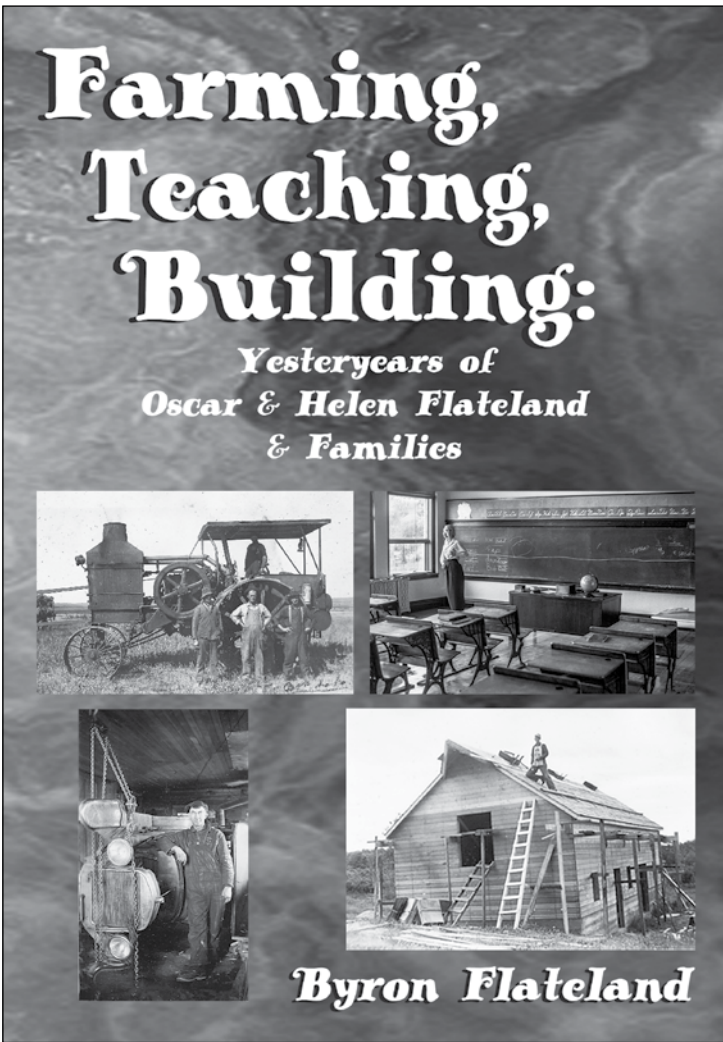
A book of history involving the Oklee-Trail area has just been published. It centers on the lives of Oscar and Helen Flatland and their extended families going all the way back to the 1500s and 1600s in Setesdal, Norway, and western Germany; it also includes something of how life was lived in the "old days."

The book, entitled *Farming, Teaching, Building – Yesteryears of Oscar & Helen Flatland & Families*, is available online as a Kindle book and as a printed version at [Amazon.com](http://www.flatland.org/ftb) (just search by the title). You can also read it directly online at no charge at [http://www.flatland.org/ftb](http://www.flatland.org/book) or access other versions at <http://www.flatland.org/book>.

Unique among such books, it features video clips embedded within the text, so one can view snippets such as Oscar Flatland telling about his experiences growing up and during World War II, as well as videos on other topics.

Oscar and Helen lived in the Oklee-Trail area virtually all of their lives. Oscar was a farmer and carpenter and Helen taught in the Oklee Public School system for more than 30 years.

The book was written by Byron Flatland (byron@flatland.org), Oscar and Helen's oldest son, and a 1968 graduate of Oklee Public School. When introducing the book, he said, "In addition to photographs, family stories, and anecdotes about characters along the way, I've tried



Farming, Teaching, Building, a book of local family history and the "old days" has just been published in print and on the internet.

to include some historical context at various points, so newer generations may get a little sense of what it was like to live in those times

in rural Minnesota—days of horses, Model Ts, steam engines, iceboxes, and finally—electricity!"

Governor Dayton announces Ten Water Quality Town Hall Meetings to be held Across Minnesota

Joined by environmental advocates, lawmakers, and concerned Minnesotans for Water Action Day at the Minnesota State Capitol, Governor Mark Dayton today announced a series of Water Quality Town Hall meetings beginning in late July. The town halls will offer Minnesotans an opportunity to discuss the water quality challenges facing their communities and our state, learn from experts, and engage with policymakers. The town hall meetings build on the momentum from Governor Dayton's "25 by 25" Water Quality goal proposal, announced earlier this year.

"All Minnesotans have a stake in water that's safe for drinking, swimming, and fishing," said Governor Dayton. "These town hall meetings will further the important conversations already

happening across Minnesota around water quality. Together we can develop strategies and solutions that work for all of our communities."

The State of Minnesota will host ten town hall meetings in communities across the state from late July through early October. These meetings are free to attend and open to the public.

In addition to attending the town halls, Minnesotans are encouraged to host their own community meetings about water quality from June through August. These Community Water Meetings offer an opportunity for cities, schools, families, and friends to identify ways individuals can work at the local level to move Minnesota towards the 25 by 25 goal. Individuals interested in registering to hold their own meeting can find more

information here: www.eqb.state.mn.us/25by25.

25 By 2025 Water Quality Goal

Earlier this year, Governor Dayton announced a new goal to improve Minnesota's water quality 25 percent by 2025. Without additional action, the quality of Minnesota's waters is expected to improve only 6 to 8 percent by 2034. If the goal is approved by the Legislature, a series of town halls and community meetings would engage local governments, farmers, scientists, environmental groups, and business leaders in a collaborative effort to address Minnesota's water quality challenges.

Achieving a 25 percent improvement in water quality statewide would require Minnesota to take aggressive, yet achievable action. It also would help Minnesota meet existing commitments to reduce phosphorus 12 percent by 2025 and nitrogen 45 percent by 2040 in the Mississippi River.

Attend a Water Quality Town Hall This Summer or Fall

Town hall meetings have been scheduled in communities across Minnesota. The two closest are:

- Crookston – Water Quality Town Hall - Tuesday, September 5, 2017
- Bemidji – Water Quality Town Hall - Wednesday, September 13, 2017

Additional information will be available at www.eqb.state.mn.us/25by25.

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Oklee Herald Early Files

Seventy Years Ago May 22, 1947

Orville Hanson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hanson, leads the class average of 93 for his four years of high school and will be the valedictorian.

The question of consolidation of rural school districts in the Oklee area with local district number 1 will come to a vote here on Tuesday, June 3rd.

Thirteen seniors will receive their diplomas at Oklee High School commencement exercises on Wednesday, May 28, at 8:15 p.m.

Sixty Years Ago May 23, 1957

Strande Service of Oklee Tire Sale: Remington Deluxe 100 Level Tires for as little as \$13.88 with a 23 month unconditional road hazard guarantee.

A daughter, Claudia Pearl was born Tuesday, May 14 to Mr. and Mrs. Myron Reck at St. John's Hospital in Red Lake Falls.

Ted Jaeger, 52, of Plummer escaped with only minor bruises when his car left Highway 92 a few miles south of Oklee and came to a wheels up landing in the ditch.

Fifty Years Ago May 18, 1967

Minnesota school buses will be required to run with lighted head lights during daylight hours starting May 22nd.

Ronnie Rustan visited Saturday afternoon with Tommy Kolstoe and Sunday afternoon with Lance Mandt

and Kelly Lundeen at the Lundeen home.

The "Five Old Crows" birthday club met at the Lien home Thursday for a belated party for Norma.

Ricky Bjerklie celebrated his 13th birthday Saturday and many friends and family.

Forty Years Ago May 26, 1977

The OMC building in Oklee has improved looks with the installment of a new set of double glass doors in the north side of the building.

Tim Hagl of Red Lake Falls was presented a special award for being the Most Improved Player for Basketball at the recent Athletic Banquet held at the U of M – Crookston.

Special Award recipients at the OHS were: Tami Chervestad, Girls BB MVP; Karen Hanson, Most Improved girl athlete; John Larson, MVP Wrestling; Matt Dulka, Most Improved boy athlete; Jim Mitchell, MVP Boys Basketball and Mark Kirkpatrick, MVP Football and Track.

Thirty Years Ago May 27, 1987

David Bachand and Eleanor Berberich were re-elected to the Oklee School board on Tuesday, May 19th.

Andy Dulka, 7th grade student at Oklee School was notified that he was the winner in the MN Soil and Water Conservation District Essay Contest.

A potluck lunch and card

party was held at the Ben Olson home on Sunday.

Twenty Years Ago May 28, 1997

Even with the crazy weather lately and despite recent rain setbacks, most of the area farmers are now able to get in their fields.

Incumbents Gary Lee and John Lerohl were re-elected to their school board positions in the election held on Tuesday, May 20th.

Charity Wicks played a piano solo "This is My Country" and accompanied the audience in singing "God Bless America" during the Memorial Day Program held at the Oklee School.

Ten Years Ago May 24, 2007

Mike Dessellier, and EMT from Oklee was honored by the Minnesota Ambulance Association at the State Capitol on April 10, 2007. The honor named Dessellier a Minnesota Star of Life for his leadership and commitment to the field of emergency medical services.

Brittanie Malwitz, a senior at RLCC was the student of the month.

The second annual Day of Caring, where students from RLCC help anyone with many different types of jobs, such as raking, tiling, painting, window cleaning, etc. was held on May 11th.

Renee Roue is the 2007 honorary chair for the American Cancer Society Relay For Life.

Red Lake County Extension Educator

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Helping Bees

Bees (local native bees commonly known as bumble bees & the European honey bee) play a keystone role in in the productivity of agriculture and the beauty of our world through the pollination of fruits, vegetables, nuts, and flowers. The disruption of natural habitats leading to the lack of "bee flowers", the widespread overuse of pesticides, and numerous bee diseases and parasites have pushed honey bees (brought over from Europe by colonists) to the tipping point. This honey bee crisis is broadly called COLONY COLLAPSE DISORDER. Our native bees are also in decline due to unprecedented habitat loss, pesticide contamination, and diseases.

Local individuals can help all of these bees in four ways:

1. Plant bee flowers everywhere.
2. Provide nesting habitat.
3. Keep bee flowers clean-do not treat bee friendly flowers (even Dandelions) with pesticides, insecticides, fungicides, herbicides).
4. Support efforts to keep bees healthy and on their own six feet.

BEE FLOWERS

Bee flowers provide abundant nectar and pollen for bees. Bees obtain all of their carbohydrates from floral nectar, and all of their protein from floral pollen. They convert nectar onto honey, and use the protein to feed their young. You can learn which flowers in Minnesota provide vital nutrition for bees by going to <http://www.beelab.umn.edu/sites/>

beelab.umn.edu/files/plants_mn_bees.pdf. You can also learn which flowers provide nutrition for bees in our area by going to <http://www.xeres.org/pollinator-conservation>. You can also join THE GREAT SUNFLOWER PROJECT by going to <http://www.greatsunflower.org> along with more than 10,000 other citizens to plant bee friendly plants and hunt for bees which can also be a great school project.

NESTING HABITAT

Most bees (between 60 & 70%) dig burrows in the ground. These bees prefer dry sandy soil bare of vegetation, often on hillsides. Individuals can attract ground nesting bees by making sure to leave some spots of exposed undisturbed soil in your yard. The other 30 - 40% the cavity nesting bees, require a bit more effort. These bees use hollow plant stems or holes in wood left by wood boring beetles, instead of digging their own tunnel in the ground. A nesting bee will use mud, leaves, or other mater to build walls and divide the tunnel into a linear series of small, sealed cells. Each cell contains a lump of pollen and an egg, which usually takes one year to develop into an adult bee and the cycle can begin anew. You can attract cavity nesting bees by providing tunnels in a man-made structure called a bee house-like a birdhouse for bees. Three common types of bee houses are stick bundles, wood blocks, and observation blocks. Information for a project like this can be found at <http://www.beelab.umn.edu/sites/beelab.umn.edu/files/>

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PESTICIDES

Pesticides include insecticides, fungicides, and herbicides. Insecticides are designed to kill insects and depending on the formula and concentration; it can be harmful or fatal to bees and other beneficial insects. Fungicides may have detrimental effects on bee nutrition if they destroy beneficial yeasts and microorganisms in the bee's gut. Herbicides kill the weedy flowers that provide nectar and pollen for bees. All people that use pesticides need to be safe and judicious. Read the label of the pesticide you may need to use or look up the active ingredient on the inter net to determine its toxicity to bees. For more information on bees go to www.bumblebeewatch.org and <http://www.extension.umn.edu/environment/citizen-science/bee-atlas/>. For specific concerns or issues, you can contact Elaine Evans, U M Extension Educator and Bee Researcher by e mail at evan0155@umn.edu.

Source: Elaine Evans, U M Extension Educator and Bee Researcher.

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat

This week's photo is a fellow from the Brooks area holding a young lad.

Last week's photo was of the Anderson family. Merel & Birdie Anderson, lived 4 miles north and 5 miles east of Oklee. They had four children that graduated from the Oklee Public School. Donovan graduated in 1950, Ramona - 1952, Ramayne - 1952 and Janet - 1955.

Photos needed: Everyone has a great photo of a familiar face from the Oklee, Brooks, Gully, Trail or Plummer areas. If you email a photo, please scan at 300 dpi (high quality) if you can. You can email to okleeherald@gmail.com.

If you mail a photo to the Oklee Herald office, please enclose a self address stamped envelope so the photos can be returned. Mail them to:

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PO Box 9
Oklee MN 56742

Senior Site News and Other Things

By Volunteer Iona Berry

This Sunday has been rainy and cold. It seems like we are getting April weather again. Complaining doesn't help, but, I still do it.

I was informed that Robert Torkelson has passed away. I know he has been ill for a long time with many trips to the doctors and hospitals. He has been in the nursing home connected with the Fosston Hospital for some time now. Sympathy to Gloria as it has taken a toll on her as she has made many back and forth trips with him.

There will be an Elder Awareness Fair at the Brooks Community Center on June 15. This is an open Forum and some very interesting informa-

tion will be talked on. Everyone is encouraged to attend. There is no charge and a free noon lunch will be provided to the attendants. She has very important information for us.

Dates to Remember

May 29 - Memorial Day. The American Legion and Auxiliary will be conducting the event. Come and show your appreciation for our veterans and present recruits. They deserve our thank yous for what they did and do. The Auxiliary will provide coffee and bars after the program. Don't forget to fly your flag!!

June - 6 - evening Meal

Words of Wisdom

This moment is unique to you, unique to all others, and unique to the history of the universe.

A road traveled with a good friend is never too long.

Joke Time

Two lawyers were bosom friends. Much to the amazement of one, the other became a Sunday school teacher, "I bet you don't know the Lord's Prayer," he fumed.

"Everyone knows that," the other replied. "It's Now I lay me down to sleep."

"You win," said the other admiringly. "I didn't know you knew so much about the Bible."

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

Congratulations to our graduates in the Brooks and Oklee area. Two of them went to Baccalaureate at St. Joseph's Church on Sunday.

Nick Plante and Kyle Gagner. Nick is the son of Renae and Danny Plante and Kyle is the grandson of Ritchie and Char Gagner. They were presented with an award by the Knights of Columbus at Mass. A reception was held in the church parlors after Mass.

Congratulations too to my nephew Caleb Novak who will also graduate this May, who also is an honor student. He is the son of Cindy and Walter Novak of the Terrebonne area.

Del Determan, Virgil Bloom, Dennis Bloom and Mario have gone fishing in Manitoba. The road to the place they are going is 100 miles of gravel road and their destination is Sheridan, Manitoba. It is a fourteen hour road trip to go there. You've heard of the song

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Governor Dayton

Signs Bill to for Real

ID in Minnesota

Governor Mark Dayton today signed Chapter 76, HF 3, to authorize the Department of Public Safety to move forward on Real ID in Minnesota. This authorization means that Minnesotans will continue to be able to board domestic flights, with a compliant driver's license. Governor Dayton first called for legislative action to resolve Real ID more than two years ago.

Lori Gildea and Jimmy Skjervén visited Roger and Pollie Skjervén over Mother's Day weekend.

Wavell Sorenson celebrated her birthday on Sunday, Mother's Day.

Don and Merle Gagner of Maple Bay, came to visit Jean Carpenter on Friday afternoon. Cindy Thomas of Manhatten, KS has been staying with Jean for a while.

Jana Granum of Ham Lake came to visit Bunny DuChamp Mother's Day weekend. She went home on Tuesday.

Alice Jobe visited Jean Carpenter Friday morning.

Inga Linder and her family spent Mother's Day at the Orrin Linder home.

Plummer Senior Citizens met Thursday, the 18th, at the Plummer Community Hall. Anna DeHate was a guest of Bunny DuChamp's. Glenyce had sheets from RSVP to pass out on benefits of gardening and of laughter. A delicious potluck lunch was served.

Emilie Skjervén attended the graduation of her granddaughter from college recently. She is Karen's daughter.

On Monday afternoon, Alice Jobe visited Bunny DuChamp and Jana Granum. They enjoyed baklava, red velvet cake and coffee.

Recently, Tri River Museum got a cream separator to be on display. It is a nice piece

of equipment. It brings back memories of the farm out in the barn when I was growing up.

The lilacs are blooming here, both white and purple, as well as crab apple blossoms. They're pretty!

Recently, I heard and saw a killdeer. He didn't bring rain – no more than a light shower afterwards.

On Saturday, the 13th, I met my sister Phyllis from Warroad, at St. Joseph's Church in Red Lake Falls. We had mass at 10, then an hour of adoration, with benediction, the rosary and Father talked about the 100 year commemoration of the Blessed Virgin appearing to 3 shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal. It was very interesting. There are statues of the three in front of the statue of Mary. All three children became saints. She appeared 6 times in 1917, once a month and asked the children to say the rosary every day, while they herded sheep. They would say it several times a day. Two of the children died at an early age. A special celebration will be held in November with a pilgrimage to Fatima.

Since I don't have any news about fishing opener, I'll have to wait until another time.

Hopefully, we get some needed rain for the recently seeded fields. When you see dust blowing off the fields you know it quite dry.

Centennial Recipe Corner

Acini De Pepe Salad

Barbara (LaJambe) Knutson

1 box of acini de pepe
1 Tbsp oil
1 tsp of salt

Boil 13 minutes, rinse in cold water and drain, then add:
3 cans of mandarin oranges (larger cans) drain
2 cans of small pineapple chunks (15 oz cans drain and keep juice)
1 can of crushed pineapple (20 oz, drain and keep juice)
2 cups marshmallows
Add to acini de pepe and cool

In a sauce pan add:
1-1/2 cups sugar
3 Tbsp flour

3 cups pineapple juice
2 tsp salt
3 eggs beaten

Cook on medium heat stirring constantly until thick, cool and add to acini de pepe. Add 8 oz Cool Whip or whipping cream: Whip 2 cups of whipping cream, 3/4 cup powdered sugar and teaspoon of vanilla. Add to salad. This makes a large batch of salad. Keep refrigerated.





Pine To Prairie Drug Task Force Seizes Money, Drugs and Guns In 2016

McIntosh Times

Investigative work done by the Pine to Prairie Drug Task Force in 2016 led to 271 arrests for drug trafficking and other violent offenses in an eight-county area of north-western Minnesota.

That number of arrests — 271 — was almost double the 140 arrests that were made in 2015.

In the process of their work, the 13-member task force team also confiscated 57 weapons, turned up extensive amounts of drug paraphernalia and stolen items, and seized a large amount of drugs. The drugs seized included 1,617 grams of meth, 102 grams of heroin, 38 grams of cocaine, 2.8 pounds of marijuana, and 537 prescription pills.

The 102 grams of heroin was more than triple the 31 grams that were confiscated in 2015 and the 1,617 grams of meth was more than double the 663 grams seized in the year before.

“As our statistics show, we’ve mirrored the nationwide

trend of having an increase in the use of heroin,” a task force official notes. “The deadly fentanyl-laced heroin drug combination has been noticed in our area and we are doing everything that we can to get it stopped. Since multiple other agencies have joined in our task force efforts we’ve been able to be much more effective. This shows in our increased number of cases.”

Many now doing time

About those cases, the official says, “A significant number of offenders are now doing time in prison. We have been able to develop air-tight cases; there just haven’t been many not-guilty verdicts.”

Also high in popularity is the use of prescription pills. That popularity has resulted in a number of home break-ins where the medicine cabinet was a prime focus. Of crimes committed locally, agents say, drugs and alcohol are a factor in a large percentage of them.

Marijuana, according to

team members, continues to be the “starter” drug... the one that typically precedes the use of meth, heroin and many of the others.

Three of the task force’s 13 agents are from Polk County with one investigator each provided by the cities of Crookston and East Grand Forks and a deputy provided by the Sheriff’s Office.

The Lake of the Woods, Norman, Pennington and Roseau county sheriff’s offices each provide an agent while the U.S. Border Patrol commits four agents and U.S. Homeland Security provides one investigator.

Additionally, the City of Thief River Falls has also recently assigned a part-time investigator to work with the team.

While not committing a full-time member to the task force, Marshall, Kittson and Red Lake counties are available to otherwise assist as needed. Marshall and Norman counties and the City of Thief River Falls have new canine officers that are at the disposal of the task force.

The task force receives \$200,000 in state funding annually. This money is split between the cities and counties to reimburse them for a portion of the salaries of the investigators that they provide. A part of the grant is also used for training and to purchase necessary equipment.

Advisory board supervises

The team answers to a 14-member advisory board. That board is made up of Polk County Sheriff Barb Erdman, Crookston Police Chief Paul Biermaier (board vice presi-

dent), East Grand Forks Police Chief Mike Hedlund (board president), Crookston City Council member Bob Quanrud, East Grand Forks City Council member Chad Grassel, Polk County Commissioner Warren Strandell, Roseau County Sheriff Steve Gust, Assistant Roseau County Attorney Mike Grover, Pennington County Sheriff Ray Kuznia, Thief River Falls Police Chief Dick Wittenberg, Norman County Sheriff Jeremy Thornton, Norman County Chief Deputy Ben Fall, Lake of the Woods County Sheriff Gary Fish and Lake of the Woods County Attorney James Austad.

Associate (non-voting) advisory board members include Polk County Attorney Greg Widseth, Red Lake County Sheriff Mitch Bernstein, Ada Police Chief Jody Bueng, Kittson County Sheriff Kenny Hultgren, Marshall County Sheriff Jason Boman, U.S. Border Patrol Agent Eric Kuhn, and Homeland Security Investigations Agent Josh Goldberg.

In addition to their work in the field, the federal agencies provide a connection to other government resources including prosecution through the U.S. District Court (federal) system.

The task force has agreements that allow it to work across state lines with the Grand Forks Narcotics Task Force and to work extensively with drug task forces in adjacent counties and throughout Minnesota.

Suspicious activities can be reported to your local sheriff’s office or to Polk County’s Help Us 2 Fight Meth and All Crime anonymous number (877-204-7505).

Red Lake County Commissioners Minutes

RED LAKE COUNTY Regular Meeting Held April 11, 2017	Red Lake County Treasurer 3,295.76 University of North Dakota 2,341.76 43 Payments less than \$2,000 14,528.64 Final Total \$31,231.23 The motion includes the following added bills: \$488.90 to Fischer, Rust & Stock, and \$48.15 expenses to Ron Weiss. Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Sorensen and unanimously carried to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held March 28, 2017. The following Commissioner/Committee reports were shared: Commissioner Meeting/Report Simpson County Fair Board: an individual is no longer interested in leasing land for future rodeo site, discussed the schedule of events for the county fair. Weiss Tri County Corrections meeting: outside revenue for leasing jail space has increased slightly. Sorensen Attended Tri County Corrections meeting. Lerohl NW Regional Development meeting discussing the various programs, the financial audit, grant applications, Conflict of Interest Policy and Greater MN Partnership proposal. Flage EMS meeting discussing Resource Policy and viewed FEMA presentation. SWCD: heard reports on Buffer Strip and Youth Conservation Camp. The board reviewed a letter from the NW MN Multi-County HRA regarding payment in full and release of lien for a housing re-habilitation loan on a county sponsored program. Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Sorensen and carried unanimously to approve a Satisfaction of Mortgage Deed (Document No. 133156) for Connie L. Hughes. County Attorney Lacoursiere informed that a scheduling conference for mediation and court dates will be held the week of April 17th regarding the MN-Dak Asphalt lawsuit. Lacoursiere informed that he has switched from West Law to Lexis as a legal research provider service for the county due to a significant cost savings. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned until April 25, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Attest: Robert Schmitz, County Auditor
	Chuck Flage, Chair, Board of Commissioners O9C

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How rainfall timing affects fall N availability

Many farmers who fall-applied nitrogen have the same question this time of year: how much of the nitrogen (N) I applied can I count on being there now? The answer depends on the [nitrogen cycle](#) and the weather conditions at application time.

This past fall was warm and wet throughout much of Minnesota, with soils staying above freezing into December and above-average precipitation into November. At the University of Minnesota’s Research and Outreach Centers in Waseca and Morris, soil temperatures were not consistently below 50°F until the 9th of November, which is several weeks after the typical.

Why is this important? Because if nitrogen fertilizer is applied when soil temperatures are below 50°F, the conversion of ammonium to nitrate happens slowly- the microorganisms responsible for nitrification are not very active when soils are cold.

Spring rainfall is more likely to leach nitrogen than late fall rains, so if little fertilizer N converts to nitrate form, then little fertilizer N will be likely leached the following spring. *Very little loss of nitrogen from fall fertilizer is likely to occur if soil temperatures are cold at application time.* The challenge lies in getting fall fertilizer applied and incorporated in the time between when soils fall below 50°F and when they freeze.

In order for fertilizer N to be lost to leaching, large amounts of rain need to fall at certain times of year. Think about a situation where you had a soaking rain that dropped 2 inches of rainfall over 3 days. How much of that rainfall moves down through the soil, and how much nitrate it takes with it, depends heavily on the time of year and the crop growth stage.

Spring

As the soil warms up in the spring after corn planting, most of the fertilizer N has already converted to nitrate, and the corn crop is not removing much water or nitrate from the soil. Minnesota soils typically hold a lot of water left over from late fall rains and snowmelt during the spring, and cannot absorb much rain without it leaching.

In a normal or wet spring, most of the 2 inch rainfall will move down through the soil below the root zone or to a tile drain, and there will be high concentrations of nitrate in the soil to move with it.

Summer

If the rainfall event comes during midsummer when corn is at tasselling, the crop is able to pull a lot of water out of the soil, and there will be much lower concentrations of nitrate in the soil. This is a situation with much lower potential for water movement to groundwater or tile drains, and much lower potential for nitrogen loss, than the spring rainfall event.

Fall

Lastly, if that rainfall comes in early November, after the corn has matured and been harvested, you have a different situation. If the soil is fairly dry, as is typically the case by harvest, it will be able to absorb most of the rainfall, without much of it leaching. In a wetter year, like the fall of 2016, most of this rainfall is likely to leach. However, as long as the corn crop was not over-fertilized, there are usually fairly low nitrate concentrations in the soil in the fall, so that leaching water might not take much nitrate with it. This is a situation where the timing of fall nitrogen fertilizer or manure is critical. If the nitrogen source was applied early in the fall, when soil temperatures were still warm, a lot of that nitrogen would be converted to the nitrate form and large losses of nitrate could result. However, if that nitrogen source was applied in late October or early November when soil temperatures were cooler, there would be very little conversion to nitrate, with low risk of loss from that fertilizer nitrogen. Potential for loss depends on the interaction between soil temperature and soil water movement.

Source: Greg Klinger and Anne Struffert, Extension Educators



New approach makes it easier for women to choose the best fish for their health and their baby’s health

Minnesota Department of Health and HealthPartners launch new campaign

Equipping women who are or may become pregnant with the information they need to choose the right fish to eat -- that’s the goal of a new campaign launched today by the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) and HealthPartners.

The campaign highlights the health benefits of eating fish before and during pregnancy and the importance of choosing the right fish to reduce exposure to mercury or other contaminants. ChooseYourFish.org is a new website that helps people navigate the many fish choices and choose the best ones for women who are or may become pregnant.

“We want women and children to eat fish. The benefits outweigh risks if they choose fish low in mercury and other contaminants,” said Pat McCann, research scientist for MDH.

A brochure and ChooseYourFish.org were launched to reach more women and families and make it easier for them to follow MDH’s fish consumption guidelines. The website provides additional information about how to select and cook fish. Building on

previous research and work by the Great Lakes Consortium for Fish Advisories, including Cornell University and Essentialia Health, HealthPartners Institute gathered information through a series of focus groups and surveys to understand how messages about eating fish are best delivered and what additional context is needed. The goal was to design, write and develop materials that were clear and easy to understand. MDH originally approached HealthPartners because of its commitment to health education and regional reputation as a trusted, integrated health system. Both MDH and HealthPartners share a common priority of improving the health of Minnesotans.

“HealthPartners Institute reached out to women to find out the best and most accessible way to communicate this important information about eating fish,” said Dr. Tom Kottke, HealthPartners Medical Director for Well-Being. “We want to empower women with the information they need to make an important decision that will affect their health and the health of their families.”

Studies have shown that fish can provide important nutrients that help fetuses and babies develop, as long as they

are low in mercury and other contaminants. The fatty acids, vitamins and minerals in fish are also important for adults.

Increased efforts to improve advice to women about eating fish started after a 2011 study by MDH showed that 10 percent of newborns tested in the North Shore – Arrowhead region had mercury above levels of concern in their blood.

The study results spurred a collaboration among Sawtooth Mountain Clinic, Grand Portage Health Service, North Shore Health, Grand Portage Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Trust Lands and MDH to reduce mercury exposure in women in the area and pilot an in-clinic screening for high mercury exposure. Nearly 500 women from Cook County, Grand Portage and the surrounding area participated in the Fish are Important to Superior Health (FISH) Project.

Participants provided information about which fish they ate and how often they ate fish. They also had a blood sample analyzed for mercury and healthy fatty acids. Three percent of participants had blood mercury levels above the level of concern. They received information about healthy diets that included which type (species) of fish to eat and how

often they can eat fish. More information on the project is at FISH Project News.

A new brochure is available in several different versions that each target a different community and/or region of the state, as well as a statewide version. The new website (ChooseYourFish.org) provides easy access to information on the web and on mobile devices. Both the brochures and website describe how often different types (species) of fish can be eaten to provide safe yet beneficial meals. The website also features simple recipes, videos and tips for selecting and cooking fish.

These efforts were supported in part through funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. A video – “New Information for Women to Choose the Best Fish” (YouTube) – highlights the key points of the new campaign.

MDH gives fish consumption recommendations for pregnant women, women who could become pregnant and children under age 15, as well as for men, boys age 15 and over and women not planning to become pregnant. In general, men, boys 15 years and older and women who are not and will not become pregnant can eat fish about 3 times more often than the guidelines for pregnant women and younger children.

To learn more about HealthPartners, visit About HealthPartners.

To learn more about MDH’s recommendations, visit Fish Consumption Guidance.

Statepoint Crossword - Theme: The 1960’s

- ACROSS
- Diamond corners
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 - At what time?
 - Music to a performer’s ears
 - Yes move
 - Eurasian goat-like antelope
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 - Number in a pair
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 - Tokyo, pre-1868
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 - “Gross!”
 - 9th letter of Greek alphabet
 - Changes
 - High part of day
 - Narcotics agent
 - Donor recipient
 - Musical finale
 - Imprison
 - Funeral cloth
 - MC Hammer’s “Too ___ to Quit” album
 - Command: “At ___!”
 - Popular acronym in education
 - Attractive to look at
 - Clarified butter
 - Greek H
 - Wise old man
 - Beaver’s construction
 - *Civil Rights Act of 1964 signee
 - *Six-Day War nation
 - *Maker of “Mouse Trap” board game
 - Elbow rest
 - Exemplary
 - Mosquito - ___ disease
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- DOWN
- *Home to “Doctor Who” starting in 1963
 - United ___ Emirates
 - Rani’s dress
 - Call forth
 - Forward slashes
 - ___ perspirant
 - *Betty Friedan’s org.
 - Acrobat maker
 - *Beatles song on “Rubber Soul”
 - Audiophile’s praise
 - Shining armor
 - *Crosby, Stills & ___
 - Protection from a sword
 - Nary a soul
 - Ribonucleic acid
 - Waste basket contents
 - **The Man from ___
 - Soft and sticky
 - ___ podge
 - Wild no more
 - Bests
 - Related on mother’s side
 - Find new tenant
 - *Point of origin of Alabama marches
 - Lack of guile
 - *Folsom State Prison visitor
 - Orchestra section
 - Disorderly fight
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 - Like a smell of soil
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