

Oklee Precipitation		
By Einar Kvasager		
	Rain	Snow
June 3	0.02	
June 7	0.10	
June 8	0.30	
Total in.	0.42	0.00

Oklee Herald

...AND CONTINUING THE PLUMMER PIONEER

OKLEE (RED LAKE COUNTY) MINN. 56742

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Wednesday, June 14, 2017

County Commissioners meeting

The Red Lake County Commissioners met on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 with all board members present.

Chairman Anthony Flage called the meeting to order. The agenda was approved with one addition to add Angie Lundeen later in the meeting.

Tanya Hanson from the Red Lake County Soil Water and Conservation District (RLC SWCD), Hanson reported no legislative updates on the Buffer Strips or funding for the Buffer Strips. She needed approval on 2 shoreline permits for Enbridge to work on pipes on Section 2 of Lambert Township. Commissioners John Lerohl made a motion, seconded by Chuck Simpson, carried.

Hanson also updated the board on the One Watershed, One Plan (1W1P) which has been approved by BWSR (Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources). The counties are now being asked to also adopt the 1W1P. Commissioners Ron Weiss made the motion, Lerohl seconded, carried.

The Buffer Strip went into discussion among the commissioners and Hanson. The RLC SWCD has been encouraged by the state to come up with other water courses for buffers to

come up with a map and Hanson suggested to the commissioners that she would like to instead to have a resolution to voluntary option if landowners want and meets the criteria to be added. There are 13 different bills on this subject at the capitol and everyone is waiting to see how it shakes out. Once legislation is done, then she would like to put something in the paper and hire someone to replace Matt Anderson, who left for another position to work on this program. Hanson said she would come back to the next meeting with more information.

Last on Hanson's list of items was to get approval of a permit for Roger and Mark Walters, who would like to add a fourth wall on a 3 sided barn. All the state paperwork is completed, but according to the county ordinance, she needs a variance to approve the permit. After discussion with the state, the county can use the state's construction/short form as the County Conditional Use Permit. Commissioners Dave Sorensen made a motion, seconded by Simpson, carried.

Expenditures were looked at next and were approved with a couple of additional bills not listed with Sorensen making the motion, Weiss seconded, carried.

Myron Jesme and Allan Page from the Red Lake Watershed District came to the Commissioners meeting to present their annual report. Both gentlemen talked about various projects worked on the past year - 3 repair jobs which included Ditch #10, and a number of SCS (Soil Conservation Service) projects from the 70's were repaired.

Jesme informed the board that the 1W1P had been approved and the budget for the RLWD was set. With that comes clean water funding.

Lerohl complimented the Red Lake Watershed District for the work they do and that they do a good job. Jesme said that the Red Lake County Soil Water Conservation District is very active and does a good job also.

Minutes were approved with a motion by Lerohl, seconded by Simpson, carried.

Kristi Nelson from Social Services needed the board to approve a change to the hours worked in the social services.

The board approved with a motion by Lerohl, seconded by Sorensen, carried.

Committee reports were given starting with Weiss who had attended the Tri County Corrections meeting. There was a presentation about sex offenders, treatment and recidivism rate of %5 after treatment. Statewide there are over 17,000 sex offenders, with approx. 350 level 3 offenders. Polk/Red Lake have less than 1 percent of level 3 offenders.

Sorensen attended an Inter County Nursing Service meeting. He also reported on the Enbridge lawsuit with 13 counties. Thinking all the counties should get together and prepare to go to the legislature, maybe hire a lobbyist. A meeting in Hallock is starting on this.

Sorensen also attended a NW Mental Health meeting, reporting that they made 12,000 last month, the first in 26 months.

Lerohl attended an Housing Rehab Association (HRA) meeting and Section 8 vouchers were discussed. If a Section 8 voucher is approved here our state pays for it, and if they leave, go to another state, we still pay for it. There is an effort to stop this practice, as is should only be good for local.

A building has been bought and will be used as offices and apartments in East Grand Forks.

Lerohl also attended a Inter County Community Council (ICCC) meeting and reported that the Weatherization Program's payback is \$1 to \$3. For every one dollar spent, you save three. ICCC is worried about shut down in the state, as they can't payback payroll from internal funds, so would have to shut down also.

Flage and Simpson didn't have any meetings to report on.

A resolution to be the fiscal agent for the Moonlighters Snowmobile Club was made with a motion by Lerohl, seconded by Sorensen, carried.

Angie Lundeen had a question about the custodial duties. The Custodian is out for a period of time and was wondering if a temporary custodian could be hired until the regular custodian returns. The board said yes, go ahead.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Pastor Margaret Jacobus retiring from Oklee Lutheran Parish

By Marie Johnson

Pastor Margaret Jacobus will be retiring from the Oklee Lutheran Parish. Her last Sunday will be Sunday, June 18th. Being at the Oklee Lutheran Parish was Pastor Margaret's first call parish. She was in Nebraska for one year for an internship.

Pastor Margaret will be moving to Onalaska, Wisconsin, which is 30 miles from her daughter's house. Pastor Margaret doesn't know what she will do for sure after she retires, but she does know some things. Even though Margaret has one dog she might get one or two more dogs. Margaret plans to get the dust off her sewing machine and she plans to start knitting again.

When asked what she enjoyed most about being



Pastor Margaret Jacobus

here she said, "the people". Margaret commented that the congregation was great and that the people in the congregation are very kind and she appreciated that. Pastor Margaret is going to miss a lot of things she said after she

leaves, but most of all she is going to miss the people. She said she is going to miss "the care given to her because care goes two directions".

During the celebration of Pastor Margaret's celebration on Sunday, June 11th at Zion, she had asked if anyone wanted to share some memories of her or share anything else about her. Many people commented that they were thankful for her dedication to the church. Another person also remembered how when she came here she loved the

small town. A young boy commented "I remember her giving lots of speeches". After the memories of Pastor Margaret were shared, everyone clapped for Margaret as a thank you for being here.



Pastor Margaret thanking everyone for their kindness & caring the past 7 years.

Oklee American Legion & Auxiliary Flag Day Event

On June 14th, the Oklee American Legion & Auxiliary will be celebrating Flag Day at the Oklee Area Veteran's Park.

The Legion will be disposing disrepaired flags by burning them. Please bring any flags that need disposal.

They will also have a supper for anyone wanting to participate - This is a Potluck - They will furnish the meat & salad, public asked to bring a dish to share.

Calendar of Events

Wed, June 14:

-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 15:

-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

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

Fri, June 16:

-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.

Sat, June 17:

-Support your local business - Shop Locally!

Sun, June 18:

-Worship at the church of your choice.

Mon, June 19:

-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

Tue, June 20:

-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. - Cards

-Senior Potluck at Café 5:00 p.m.

Wed, June 21:

-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 22:

-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

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

Fri, June 23:

-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.

-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.

Sat, June 24:

-Support your local business - Shop Locally!

Sun, June 25:

-Worship at the church of your choice.

Mon, June 26:

-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

Tue, June 27:

-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. - Cards.

Wed, June 28:

-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

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

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



Red Lake County Track Team sends five to STATE!



The Red Lake County Sheriff and Plummer Fire Department escorting the RLC track team during their send off to state.



Five RLC Track members going to state: (L to R) Zoe Russillo, Julia Bernstein, AJ Jones, Ashley Longtin, and MaKenzie Williams.

By Marie Johnson

The Red Lake County Track and Field team sent five teammates to state.

On June 9th they had a send off celebration first at Plummer at 9:00 a.m. and at Brooks at 9:30 a.m.

The team was lead into both towns. It was led by an entourage of by the Red Lake County Sheriff and the Plummer Fire Department along with others.

Mr. Pederson talked about their accomplishments and

sent them off with a good luck speech. Coach Huie and Coach Matzke thanked everyone for being there to support them on their way to state.

Ashley Longtin is trying to win in the high Jump.

Zoe Russillo is competing in the 100 meter. AJ Jones, Julia Bernstein, Makenzie William, and Zoe Russillo will be competing in the 4x100 relay team.

The results of page 3 of this weeks issue.



Mr. Pederson talked about the girls during their send off to state.



Below: Coach Matzke and Coach Huie thanking everyone for supporting the RLC team on there way to state.

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Margaret Jacobus
Sun, June 18: 9:00 a.m.
Zion. 10:30 a.m. Salem.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
OKLEE
Fr. Adam Hamness
Sun, June 18: 7:30 a.m.
Confessions 8:00 a.m. Mass.

BROOKS – RED LAKE FALLS
CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bob Schreiner
Sat, June 17: 5:30 p.m. RLF
Sun, June 18: 8:00 a.m. RLF.
Brooks. 10:00 a.m. RLF.

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH
ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, June 18: 9:00 a.m.
Worship at Immanuel. 10:30 a.m. worship at Ebenezer.
Wed, June 21: 7 p.m. Worship at Ebenezer.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH
ELCA
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith
Pastor Kristen Ostercamp
Thurs, June 15: Newsletter Items due 10:00.
Sun, June 18: 8:30 a.m. Bethany. 9:45 a.m. Ekelund, 11:00 a.m. Faith.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive – Nazareth
Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseth
Sat, June 17: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, June 18: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:45 a.m. Oak Park. 11:00 a.m. Nazareth.
Mon, June 19: Synod Convention in Mankato.
Wed, June 21: Oak Park Ladies Aid 7:00 p.m.

Oklee Senior Site Dining

June 19 - 23
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: BLT on whole wheat, mac salad and dessert.
Tuesday: Cold turkey & cheese sandwich, tator tots, and dessert.

Wednesday: Chicken broccoli noodle hotdish, coleslaw and dessert.

Thursday: Meatballs, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetables and dessert.

Friday: Chicken Strips, hash browns, vegetables and dessert.

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

Thu, June 15: Oak Hills-Women's Retreat Adult Senior Day Camp- NLBC. 12:00 p.m. Rotary.

Fri, June 16: Oak Hills-Women's Retreat. 6:00 p.m. Holy Yoga.

Sat, June 17: Oak Hills-Women's Retreat. Wedding at Church. 8:00 a.m. Holy Yoga.

Sun, June 18: 9:30 a.m. Worship.

Mon, June 19: Soccer Camp- NLBC.

Tue, June 20: Soccer Camp-NLBC. 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:00 a.m. Church Staff Meeting. 6:30 p.m. Church Bible Study.

Wed, June 21: Soccer Camp- NLBC. 1230 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Food Shelf. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 7:00 p.m. Hope Lutheran Church Fosston-Grief Workshop.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, June 18: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Lund. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Bethany.
Wed, June 21: WELCA Sand Valley 2 PM.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sun, June 18: 10:00 a.m. Worship.

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Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial Update

Recently a contribution was made to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial by Lawrence Walker, Kingman, AZ. Mr. Walker, originally from Oklee, served in the U S Navy, and has provided ongoing support for this Memorial to our area veterans including his current donation for the upkeep of the Memorial.

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 should be sent to Mary Lynn Bachand at marylbachand@gmail.com.

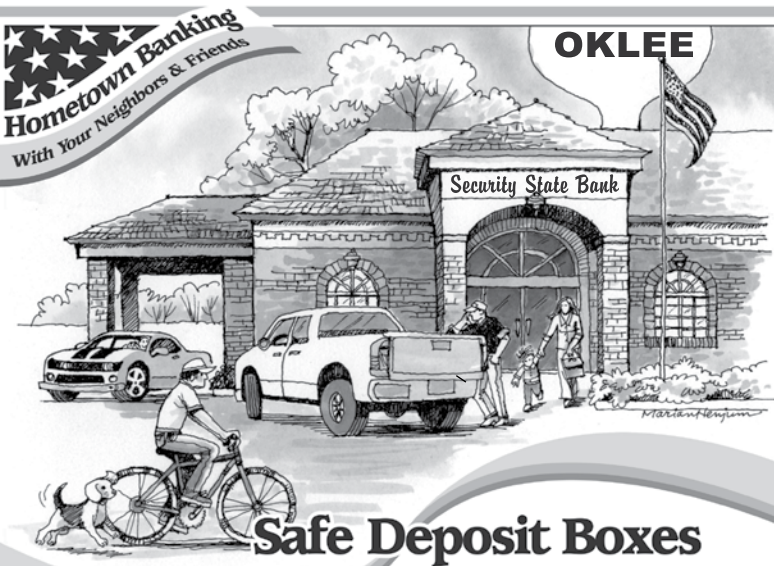
Centennial Recipe Corner

Deep Dish Spaghetti Pizza

Dorene Dessellier

7 oz box spaghetti, cooked and drained
2 eggs and 1 cup milk, beaten together
32 oz jar spaghetti sauce
1 1/2 lbs of hamburger, browned and drained
1 (3 oz) pkg pepperoni
8 oz shredded mozzarella cheese

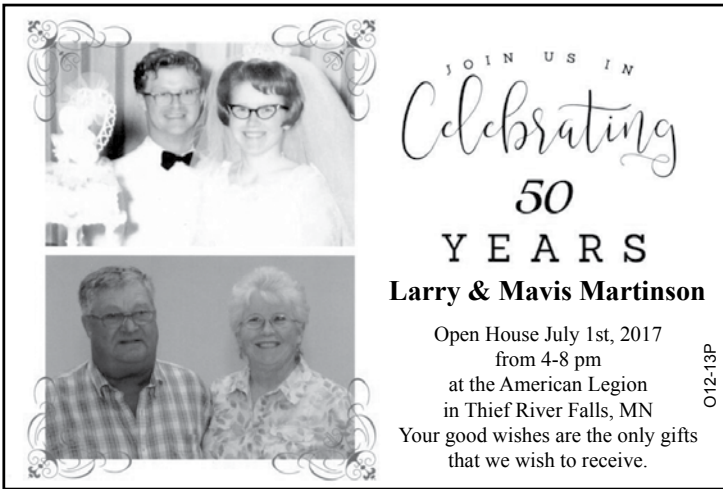
Prepare 10 x 15 pan with non stick spray. Place spaghetti in pan and spoon egg/milk mixture evenly over it. Spoon spaghetti sauce over the top. Crumble hamburger over and then add pepperoni and then cheese. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Let stand 5 minutes before cutting.



Safe Deposit Boxes



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Feeling Fit and Fine

Your child will have fun and get prizes while learning healthy behaviors

Inter-County Nursing Service is sponsoring a summer fun project to promote healthy eating and physical activity for kids age 3 to 12 years.

The activity takes place from June 5- August 7th. Find the score card your child received while in school or pick up a card from Inter-County Nursing Service in either Pennington (lower level of the Pen-

nington County Courthouse) or Red Lake (lower level of the Red Lake County Courthouse) Counties. Once their scorecard is full, just bring it in to choose a prize from the treasure chest!

The scorecard will be entered into a weekly drawing for a larger prize and a grand prize drawing will also be held in each of the counties at the end.

We thank UCare and Red Lake Electric Trust for their generous support to make this project possible.

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RED LAKE COUNTY SMALL BUSINESS AND POTENTIAL STARTUP ENTERPRISES

The Red Lake County Economic Development Corporation can help you start your own business or expand an existing one. We are here to assist with a five (5) year loan for an amount up to \$20,000 at 2% APR. The business must be located in Red Lake County.

For more information, contact the Red Lake County Economic Development home office at 1-218-253-2897.

Or call David Ste. Marie, Red Lake Falls, 218-698-4279; Mike Spurgin, Red Lake Falls, 218-465-4648 or Leo Olson, Oklee, 218-796-5656.



Thank you to everyone who called, visited, sent cards, or brought food to the house when my husband Robert passed away. Thanks also to all who visited him while he was in Essentia Living Health Center. Your time with him was special and meant a great deal. My thanks to Pastor Margaret Jacobus for the many visits and prayers, to the entire staff of Essentia for the wonderful care and concern, for the service at Salem Lutheran Church and the ladies who served lunch, to those who sent the pretty flower bouquets, to Eric Mickelson for his special music, Nancy Gunderson for playing, to the eight who served as casket bearers, for the special spoken tributes, and the Johnson Funeral Service for the ease of assistance and handling of the service. To each and every one of you for the hugs, the calls, cards received. Your friendship is a warmth to my heart.

Gloria Torkelson

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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.

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Forks.
Every 2nd Tuesday – Mahnomen.
Every 4th Tuesday – Thief River Falls
Every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesday – Fargo/Moorhead.
Every 2nd & 4th Friday – Bemidji.



This bad boy was caught on the evening of June 7th, 2017 by Andrew Anderson, of Oklee, at the Oklee Pit. The bass weighed in at a little over 5 pounds and was 22" long.

Minnesota strawberry fields now in bloom

Minnesota strawberry producers have reported that fields are blooming. Growers anticipate that the 2017 season will begin mid- to late June for central and southern Minnesota, while farms in northern Minnesota expect to open in early July.

Picking strawberries is a great family activity. Growers also recommend calling ahead for availability, hours of operation, and prime picking times. Strawberries should be eaten within three days of picking for optimum freshness and washed just before consuming. For longer preservation, wash the berries,

Red Lake County Commissioners Minutes

RED LAKE COUNTY Regular Meeting Held May 9, 2017

Pursuant to adjournment of its regular meeting the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners duly met in regular session at the courthouse in Red Lake Falls, MN on May 9, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Chair Flage called the meeting to order. All members were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Shad Cooper, Red Lake Falls Ambulance President, was present to provide an update on operations of the local ambulance. Cooper informed that there are currently 16 EMT's and First Responders on the active staff roster. The service continues to staff two persons on a 24-7 "On-Call" basis.

Environmental Officer Kurt Casavan met with the board to update on the re-permitting process for the two county demolition landfills. Casavan has again discussed with the MPCA and was told that the final documentation must be submitted by May 31, 2017. Casavan reminded that he will utilize the services of Houston Engineering to complete the re-permitting application. The firm provided a quote of \$25,126.00 for its services.

Casavan informed that a section of road in Terrebonne Township along County Ditch #2 consistently washes out during times of high water. The Township will be upgrading the section of the affected road and is requesting that half the costs to be paid for by the CD 2 system. Casavan stated that he does not want to set a precedence by charging against the legal drainage system. Commissioner Weiss suggested to contact the landowner in Polk County that tiled his land and sends all his water through the ditch to see if he is able to assist with the project to keep costs down for the township. Another suggestion is that the benefitted landowners petition to get the road upgraded in that portion. The board took no action on the request. Casavan will report back to the township.

Casavan presented the land rental agreement in Lambert Township. Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Simpson and carried by unanimous vote to approve the 2017 agreement in the amount of \$450.00 with Mike Wicks to lease 10 tillable acres in Section 2 of Lambert Township.

Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Simpson and unanimously carried to approve the expenditures for the period as follows:

Vendor Name	Amount
Computer Information Systems, Inc.	\$18,522.00
Computer Professionals, Inc.	2,107.00
Plummer Co-op Creamery	2,166.42
Red Lake County Co-op	2,560.21
32 Payments less than \$2,000	8,743.52
Final Total	\$34,099.15

The motion includes the following added bills: \$156.53 to Alcopro; \$17.12 to Bob Schmitz; \$147.49 to Farmers Brothers; \$124.77 to Hardware Hank; \$160.53 to Office Depot.

Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Simpson and unanimously carried to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held April 25, 2017.

Engineer Kleven was present for an 11:00 a.m. bid opening for Project 063-601-020, the Plummer

Elder Awareness Fair at Brooks

There will be an Elder Awareness Fair on June 15th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Brooks Community Center. Come join the fun at the elder awareness fair. There will be multiple presenters, fun basket prizes, informational booths, BINGO, and a FREE lunch. Questions? Call Red Lake County Social Services at 218-253-4131 ext. 261. Sponsored by the Living Well at Home Grant.

Sudoku Solution

4	7	5	9	8	1	2	6	3
9	2	6	4	3	7	5	1	8
3	8	1	5	2	6	9	7	4
8	1	4	3	5	9	7	2	6
6	5	9	2	7	8	3	4	1
2	3	7	6	1	4	8	5	9
1	9	3	7	6	5	4	8	2
7	6	2	8	4	3	1	9	5
5	4	8	1	9	2	6	3	7



remove their stems, and freeze them in a single layer on a cookie sheet. After freezing, place the strawberries in freezer bags.

The MN Grown directory includes 80 strawberry farms, 31 blueberry farms, and 41 summer raspberry farms, along with apple orchards, farmers markets, garden centers, and other places to buy directly from farmers. Search the directory by region or product to find a berry farm in your area. Order a free printed copy of the directory online at www.minnesotagrown.com or by calling 651-201-6469.

Intersection Improvement. Three (3) bids were submitted as follows: \$69,228.25 from Wright Construction; \$94,747.50 from Davidson Construction, and \$99,907.50 from Olson Construction. Engineering staff left the meeting to review the bids and to return later in the meeting with a recommendation.

Kleven informed that he has secured five year agreements at two (2) sites for gravel stockpiling of 30,000 cubic yards each, one at the Marcoux Pit in Red Lake County, and one at the Davidson Pit by St. Hilaire in Pennington County. Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Lerohl and carried unanimously to approve the agreements as presented.

Kleven reported on the Enbridge Ecofootprint Grant. The grant has been adjusted from \$117,000 down to \$97,500 by Enbridge. The projects included in the grant are to be completed in 2017. Kleven suggested a landowner's agreement to utilize a private river access at the Terrebonne Bridge site and also suggested the same for an access at the Highway 32 Bridge.

Kleven mentioned that the seat-belt survey he completed is showing increased use of seatbelts in the county. He also informed that the DNR is proposing two (2) box culverts to replace the bridge on CSAH #13 in Wylie Township.

Chairman Flage mentioned that he was contacted regarding a section of road in Gervais Township that was not being bladed. Commissioner Sorensen reported that he was also contacted regarding blading issues.

The following Commissioner/Committee reports were shared: Commissioner Meeting/Report Simpson County Fair Board and Economic Development meetings.

Weiss None.
Sorensen Buffer Law meeting in Thief River Falls. Tri County Corrections discussing revenue sources and PREA (Prison Elimination Act) report.

Lerohl None.
Flage Buffer Law meeting and SWCD monthly meeting. Staff person Matt Anderson has resigned to accept another SWCD position.

Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Simpson and carried unanimously to approve abatement of tax in amount of \$56.00 for the City of Plummer (Parcel #16-2642-020) for payable year 2017. The abatement is being requested as the property should be tax exempt status, however, the County was not informed of the ownership transfer back from private to city ownership.

Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Weiss and carried by unanimous vote to approve a request for the Pathfinders Snowmobile Club, Resolution No. 05-01-17. The resolution authorizes the county to enter into an agreement with the Minnesota DNR to act as the trail sponsor/fiscal agent to receive funding on behalf of the club for maintenance of the Riverland Trail system. Auditor Schmitz is authorized to sign the document for Red Lake County. A complete document is available at the County Auditor's office.

Engineer Kleven returned with bid tabulation results and recommended the low bid of \$69,228.25 be awarded to Wright Construction. Commissioner Sorensen moved and seconded by Lerohl to award the low bid to Wright Construction as recommended. Voting aye: Commissioners Weiss, Sorensen, Lerohl and Flage. Voting nay: Commissioner Simpson. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned until May 23, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

Attest:
Robert Schmitz, County Auditor

Chuck Flage, Chair,
Board of Commissioners
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RLCC High School 4th Qtr Honor Roll

7th Grade: “A” Honor Roll: Cari Bachand, Zachary Cater, Jedidiah Duden, Tyler Eskeli, Peyton Fish, Michael Lowell, Taya Morinville, Kjerstin Nelson, Leah Peterson, Jeremiah Rathsack, Jonathan Roue, Bailey Sherman, Steven Sogla, and Halie Thompson.

“B” Honor Roll: Thomas Benson, Paul DeHate, Lillian Hanson, Noah Hanson, Madeline Inda-Valdez, Lauren Jones, Ashton Lancto, Skylar Longtin, Nolan Magnell, Serenity May, Issabella Plante, Shyla Styles, Erin Sundquist, and Leilah VanDam.

8th Grade: “A” Honor Roll: Kia Bachand, Adriel Bakken, Bailey Culkins, George Duden, Emily Kolstoe, Karena Melby, Janae Olson, Isabella Russillo, and Katelyn Suchy.

“B” Honor Roll: Isaiah Aquino, Jillian Booth, Tristyn

Ferguson, Eric Gieseke, Heather Longtin, Bryan Meyer, Brody Moen, Elijah Rathsack, and Brock Tvedt.

9th Grade: “A” Honor Roll: Calyssa Eskeli, Lillyan Guillemette, Jayden Iverson, Sophia Linder, Christopher Longtin, Derek Peterson, and Abigail Walton.

“B” Honor Roll: Britain Arlt, Zachary Benson, Madison Carlson, Brandie DeHate, Adrienne Jones, Aiydin Lancto, Sidney Olson, Jenna Pahlen, and Tanisha Srnsky.

10th Grade: “A” Honor Roll: Jarisa Bailey, Jocelyn Castaneda, Andrew Fish, Sydnie Gunderson, Marie Johnson, and Zoe Russillo.

“B” Honor Roll: Julia Bernstein, Adam Cater, Sarah Christensen, Isaac Eskeli, Grace Gieseke, Connor Lambert, Justin Nemece, Lacey

Pendelton, Alex Peterson, Hannah Riendeau, Dawson Rystad, Phillip Sorenson, and Adrien Verbout.

11th Grade: “A” Honor Roll: Hannah Kolstoe, Katie Olson, and Matthew Vettleson

“B” Honor Roll: Tyler Jensen, Erin Jones, Joshua Kelley, Kara Longtin, Sydney Melby, Nicholas Pahlen, Seth Paradis, Jade Person, Sara Simon, Megan Smith, and Ethan Vettleson.

12th Grade: “A” Honor Roll: Natalie Aakhus, Mary Auman, Megan Berberich, Taylor Bushelle, Kyle Gagner, Ashley Longtin, Nicole Schmitz, and Kelsie Sirjor.

“B” Honor Roll: Makay Berns, Alec Castaneda, Shelby Gunderson, Brandon Lee, Lynsey Morris, Nicholas Plante, Tera Qualley, Marcus Styles, and Deidra Walton.



Red Lake County Rebels Track and Field program had five state participants: Ashley Longtin, Zoe Russillo, Julia Bernstein, AJ Jones, and MaKenzie Williams competed at the State Track and Field meet in St. Paul at Hamline University.

RLC Track & Field Update from State

On Friday June 9th Ashley Longtin competed in the high jump. She finished with a jump of 4'10" feet which placed her tied for 15th overall. Zoe Russillo competed in the 100 meter. She had to finish in the top nine times to go to the finals on Saturday. She finished with a time of 13.05 which placed her 12th overall. AJ Jones, Julia Bernstein, MaKenzie Williams, and Zoe Russillo competed in the 4x100 meter relay. They had to finish in the top nine times to go to the finals on Saturday. They finished with a time of 51.32 which placed her 17th overall, which broke the team record time again.

Ashley Longtin, Zoe Russillo, Julia Bernstein, AJ Jones, and MaKenzie Williams received a great honor by earning the Minnesota Academic All-State Award, for their accomplishments in the classroom and in their events.

Ashley Longtin finished off a strong track and field career by making it to the State

Track and Field meet for the third time. Congratulations to Ashley on a strong career and good luck next year at the University of North Dakota.

Zoe Russillo will be back to continue her track and field career by making it to the State Track and Field Meet for the third time. We look forward to great seasons ahead for Zoe.

Julia Bernstein, AJ Jones, and MaKenzie Williams will be back to continue their track and field careers by making it to the State Track and Field meet for the first time. We look forward to great seasons ahead for these ladies.

Ashley, Zoe, Julia Bernstein, AJ Jones, and MaKenzie Williams represented their schools and communities with a job well done at the State Track and Field meet. As coaches we're very proud of their great accomplishments on going to state and competing well. Congratulations again to Ashley, Zoe, Julia Bernstein, AJ Jones, and MaKenzie Williams.



L to R: Hunter Dudycha, Jackson Olson, Julia Maldonado-Lopez, Alex Bramer, Isabella Brekke, Savannah Brekke.

ing more about the American Cancer Society may do so by contacting the following Red Lake County volunteers: Red Lake Falls, Bev Schmitz: 253-2681; Plummer, Arlene Froiland: 465-4448; Brooks, Dianne Gagner: 698-4475 and Oklee, Mary Lynn Bachand: 796-5765.

Help and information are available from the American Cancer Society 24 hours a day, seven days a week online at cancer.org or by calling the ACS at 1-800-227-2345.

Summer Rec

Monday June 19
1:00 - 2:00 Basketball for all ages in Oklee gym
2:00 - 3:30 PeeWees (ages 9-10) practice behind school, Cadets (ages 11-13)/Girl's Softball (ages 9-13) practice at the softball fields

Tuesday June 20
10:00 - PeeWee tournament at Red Lake Falls. Bus leaves Oklee at 8:30, Brooks at 8:45,

Plummer at 9:00.
1:00 - 2:00 Mites practice (ages 7-8) behind Oklee School
1:00 - 2:00 Kickball for all ages in Oklee gym
2:00 - 3:30 Cadets and Softball practice
Wednesday June 21
Kloster League at Clearbrook ages 9-14. Bus leaves Plummer at 7:45, Brooks at 7:55 Oklee school at 8:05, returns around 3:00 - 3:30.
Thursday June 22
10:00 - Cadet tournament at Clearbrook. Bus leaves

City of Oklee Minutes

City of Oklee Regular Council Meeting Monday April 10th 2017 Oklee Cafe, 6:00

The Meeting was called to Order at 6.00pm.

Roll Call: Acting Mayor Paul Cyr, Melby, Munt and Genova, also present. Cross, Tougas, Sheriff Bernstein and Gale Schmitz.

March Minutes

Emergency meeting minutes for air conditioning in the hall quotes.

Genova said that the emergency meeting was against the law because no police officer was present, the council members should return the money they have been paid for the meeting.

Genova asked Acting mayor Cyr what he was laughing at?. Cyr then said "You are attempting to make city government more difficult that it needs to be", he went on to say, "we came to the meeting and we conducted the necessary business" Genova asked Cyr to "calm down, Calm down", Cyr then asked Genova "Did the meeting not take place?" Genova responded with, "It did but it was illegal, based on the law that this Council adopted", Genova went on to say to Cyr "you was not there" Cyr responded with "No I was not" Genova went on to say, "we cannot take the money for the meeting, it needs to be returned to City funds as the Meeting did not take place, as it was an illegal meeting", Cyr asked Genova, "so you are suggesting whatever transpired at the meeting never happened?" Genova responded "no it did not, it did happen but it is not legal, so you cannot go forward with that but what i would like to add to that is that the back part about these condensers (dehumidifiers) for the slippery floor, that perhaps the council can re-discuss it" Cross responded "we are going to re-discuss it in here, it is all in here (council packet)" Genova responded with, you cannot do it, as it was based on an illegal meeting"

Cyr said "ok, lets focus on your (Genova) contention the meeting was illegal, let's do that" ok said Genova" Cyr went on to say, "lets establish if the meeting was legal or illegal, I contend the meeting took place and was legal, as i was standing there, you (Genova) contend it was not, based on something that was happening in 2016, I was not

aware of that" Genova then said "it is still City law, its city law that was adopted in this meeting room, it was adopted by Lori"

Cross then said "it was not adopted by Lori (Melby), it was adopted by the Council", Melby then said "it was not adopted by me" Genova asked if that was correct Lori (Melby) and he is not trying to start an argument here, we need to go by the law, so what is the Problem?"

Cyr went on to say "If the City established a policy Matthew (Genova) that it can't be a meeting in the meeting minutes, all I am reading is someone's opinion about this. Genova then said "it's not an opinion, it is in black and white", Melby then said it is in our minutes, but she can't remember the meeting at which it took place, whether it was a special meeting or an emergency meeting.

Genova went on to say the Sheriff is here and if we wish to change the law that's fine but as it stands right now, we cannot accept the \$40 payment as that would be stealing from the City.

Cross was asked if the \$40 dollar payment was in the check for the First quarter payments, Cross said yes it was.

Munt mentioned the possibility of amending the procedures on special meetings or emergency meetings.

Cyr asked if we could go back to the emergency meeting that you (Genova) say didn't occur, the minutes do not indicate you voted against having a meeting, Genova said "I beg your pardon Sir, look at it", Cyr responded with "I'm reading them" Genova said "you are?" Cyr said "yes I am reading them and the motion was, to have two quotes for the next meeting and you (Genova) voted against" Genova then said he voted against the meeting, Cyr responded with "no you did not, you voted against getting the quotes" Genova went on to say regardless if I voted against the quotes, it is still an illegal meeting, Cross then said we can check that with the Attorney, Genova then asked "why have you got to check that with the attorney, you broke the law, the City wrote the law?" Cyr went on to say, "well then you (Genova) by extension broke the law too, you (Genova) was there, you (Genova) participated, Genova then said "I was not there when the law was written in 2016" Cyr then said to

Genova, "you were standing in that office at the meeting that didn't occur, you was there? Genova responded he voted against everything, you all know that, Cyr asked Genova, "So you do not want to read the minutes?" Genova said "that that doesn't matter; the law says you cannot have a meeting. Lori put it in there, or someone did, the City adopted it, they made it a law, you have to stick by the law". Cyr went on to say, "don't in hindsight change what actually occurred , because you (Genova) was there and voted against taking bids, I heard that, it says it right here in these minutes whatever you want to say now, ok at this point we are going to table the minutes to the special meeting, Genova then said" I'm against tabling it, it has to be nullified, you cannot table it, Melby commented we maybe cant nullify it legally because we had the meeting, Genova commented "Lori, we had a very good day yesterday, I shook your hand and will continue to do that but if it was someone else who brought this up you would still have to answer to it, regardless of that, it is state law now, you adopted it so it is state law, it's a local law".

Melby then said to Genova, "I understand what you are saying, I just don't know if we can remove a meeting, I think we should ask the attorney", Cross said I think we need to check the legality of it, Genova asked Cross why you (Cross) need to seek legal advice, Cross was against the law, Cross interrupted and said "So you say" Genova went on "The legality of it" Cross interrupted again, saying "so you say" Genova then said "I know the law better than you do Sir", Cross responded with "Really?" Genova then said, if you go forward and cash the checks you are committing a crime , you are taking money from the City because it was an illegal meeting", Cross said those checks won't be handed out until I seek legal advice to make sure we are not breaking the law, "well that one good step" so the other step is why you made a law and now you don't want to abide by it, Cross said that meeting was not recorded because he didn't feel it needed to be, because it was a straight forward meeting just asking for the ok to get two quotes, Genova then said "we are getting into something else , You have n't recorded a lot of things Derek, which is one of the problems I've warned you people about", Cross responded with "You People, who are You People? Genova said "The Board, I've warned you

about getting the minutes exactly the way they are supposed to be, so if that is not in there you are also breaking Minnesota statutes, now we can't have this".

Cyr then said, "lets focus on this meeting, you are saying this is inaccurate, please answer the question yes or no, Genova said "no" Cyr then said, "that's all I want to know" Genova then responded with "Just a minute sir, t he first part of last month's meeting I do not have a problem with, it is the emergency meeting you tacked on to be approved tonight, if you approve the minutes from last month you are including the minutes of the emergency meeting, you cannot do that" Cyr commented, "this is a separate item, we are going to table this until we seek Council, Genova then said, 'if you go forward with this, you are breaking the statue of the Minnesota law and the league of Minnesota Cities, Genova then asked that he wanted it noted in the minutes he objects to tabling the March 21st emergency meeting minutes, Cross said "ok".

Genova then made the statement, "And you (Cross) are going to put in there that the checks are not going to be distributed or cashed" Cross interrupted, "You (Genova) are not going to tell me what to put in the meeting minutes, the Council will tell me"Genova responded with "I am the Council" Cross replied with "No you are not, this is the Council" Gesturing to Everyone around the Table.

Acting Mayor Cyr then quickly went through the listings in the minutes, referring to subjects raised at the last council meeting, with reference to the Rodeo asking if the site had been agreed, Cross commented that the hill area was chosen.

Motion to accept regular meeting minutes by Munt and seconded by Melby, motion carried.

Sheriff's report
Sheriff Bernstein reported, nuisance yard waiting on Court date, the SUV has not been moved either. Sheriff reported an uptake on illegal drug use and users on the rise in Oklee.

Everything else is ok in Oklee.
March financials
Motion to accept by Melby and seconded by Genova, motion carried. March Bills

Motion to pay the bills for March by Genova and seconded by Munt, motion carried.

With the provision that the council pay checks won't be paid until Cross

has checked the legality of the emergency meeting.

Maintenance report
Tougas reported on the dredging proposal on the Pond outlet from the City, one quote is for \$15,900, which would move of the sludge from around the outlet pipe to another area of the pond.

Frank Stuemke from MN Rural Water has another option which we are pursuing, which should be a lot cheaper.

Ponds to be dropped ready for cleaning the outlet probably around June, Cross to email Frank Stuemke on what is needed.

Benches have been stained ready for the summer and some garbage cans have been repainted and put out. Emojis/ Happy faces stickers Tougas suggested, on the Dark green garbage cans they should look good.

Motion to buy 100 stickers for \$154 by Genova and seconded by Munt, motion carried.

Cross reported that a resident thinks we should be charging for tree/branches pickup, this was discussed and the general opinion was it is good for the town as it is, however, maybe we could take donations and if a resident has a large amount to pick up we could maybe charge a nominal fee to cover our costs, this was left for the discretion of City staff to decide on a case by case basis.

Cal Eckstein reported on the dumping of the waste for the City, it has to be dumped at Hallock MN and can take up to three hour to drive out there and dump and then return to the city.

He then gave a brief history of Sanitary Services 30 year history of working for the city and how much he enjoys working for the City.

Large Item Pickup, will be May 1st 2017, this will be Iron only in the Rolla Dumpster, as we did last year the City will help with the picking up of large items and will pick up only if a check is in hand for some of the items.

Oklee Herald with have all details.

Cornerstone Vet are once again coming to the Fire Hall on May 2nd between 6.00pm and 7.00pm. They will take care of advertising, although we will also put an advert in the paper.

Two bids received for the Well house windows and door renovation.

Cross reported that he does have a conflict of interest as two of his son in laws are one of the bids, Cross went on to say he had told Darrell

Summer Rec changes for Thursday June 15

Cadets (ages 11-13) will have a game in Oklee at 10:00 at the softball field vs Win-E-Mac.

Girls Softball has a tournament at RLF starting at 10:00. Bus leaves Oklee at 8:30, Brooks at 8:45, Plummer at 9:00.

to make sure when his bid came in that it is sealed, as Cross does not want to know what it is. The two bids considered was Scott Groves and Scitus Construction.

Scott Grove bid 1301.99 Scitus 1294.53

Motion by Melby to accept Scitus Bid, seconded by Munt , motion carried . Bids for movers put back until all the bids are in.

Cross asked the Council for their opinions on derelict empty properties within the City, we have a few houses that will probably never be lived in again.

The general opinion was to keep the vacant rate active to encourage people to demolish/remove the properties.

Eco Foot print/ Park shelter
Cross asked for permission to get the quotes rolling for the proposed shelter and dock, we only have to get two quotes for the terms of the Grant donation, Genova did say he preferred more quotes possibly four.

We have heard that there is concerns on the amount of money being splashed out in Red Lake Falls which has no pipeline within its boundaries and the amounts that both Plummer and Oklee are getting in comparison.

Motion by Melby and Seconded by Genova to get the Quotes lined up.

Air Conditioning / Dehumidifiers

A discussion on a possible part solution to the wet floors that occur during hot and humid weather, Genova objected to the discussion as he said it is attached to the illegal special meeting, Cyr commented it was a different subject, and we can discuss it now, Genova continued to object with Cyr saying to Genova that he is out of Order, Genova stood up and appeared to be leaving the meeting and continued to object. In the end no discussion took place.

Melby did say if someone slips and hurts themselves on the wet floors and the City has made no attempt to address this problem, the City may well be liable.

Genova offered up a suggestion of possibly having a resident of the month award, it was agreed to discuss this again at a future meeting.

Motion to close the meeting at 7.42pm by Genova and seconded by Munt, motion carried.

Mayor Burthwick

Derek Cross/City Clerk
Date..May 8, 2017
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Oklee Herald Early Files

Seventy Years Ago
June 12, 1947
Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bunnell arrived here from Hawaii to spend a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Nelson.
The Oklee Colts lose Crookston Game.
"The Green Years" is brought to the Oak Theatre screen.
Sixty Years Ago
June 13, 1957
Kenneth M. Sorenson arrived in Germany with an engineering construction battalion.
Mr. and Mrs. Rolf Carlson married 50 years.
Miss Eunice M. Nelson became the bride of Arlo O. Rolandson.
Mr. and Mrs. Ole Loiland announce the engagement of their daughter, Joanne Gloria to Vernon W. Otto Voeltz.
Fifty Years Ago
June 8, 1967
Setesdalslaget to convene here in Oklee.

Linda Mathsen and Scott Sundrud both on Dean's List at Concordia.
Oklee to host PTA Workshop.
Forty Years Ago
June 9, 1977
The first school building ever to be constructed and used in the city of Oklee will be raised.
DNR examines 'pit' for possible fish stocking.
Duane Bachand places 2nd in state in the state computer programming contest.
Earl Swenson presented Joe Cyr with a check for use on his Jr. World Wrestling Tour to Yugoslavia.
Thirty Years Ago
June 10, 1987
Jean Lindquist and Russell Sorenson were the first two across the finish line at the 8th Annual Go For St. Joe races held at Brooks.
The oldest and youngest participants in the Go For St. Joe were Andrew Yaggie and

Pearl Laniel.
Lisa Whyte and Sara Radniecki selected for Red River Valley Junior Volleyball.
Nathan Moen scored the winning goal for the Rochester Elks to win the championship of the Richefield tourney.
Twenty Years Ago
June 11, 1997
Quilt of Love given to Darrel and Shirley Christopherson.
Keith D. Christianson and Matthew J. Kolstoe graduated from NDSCS.
Six members attended the Buzzin Dozen Homestudy Group.
Ten Years Ago
June 7, 2007
Phillip Zimpel placed 6th in the Amateur Pro Am Tournament.
Festival of Tables marks 5 years anniversary.
Marquelle Dahl was one of the first to get her hair cut for the Locks of Love at the Relay for Life.

Red Lake County Extension Educator
Curtis W. Nyegaard - 218-253-2895

Small Grain Diseases-When and What To Spray

Now that warmer weather appears to be here for a while; many small grain fields are also ready to spray with herbicides. As always, the question arises, should I include a fungicide as good insurance against leaf disease and what should I spray? In our part of Minnesota we need to think of fungicide decision making in three time categories.
Early
An early spray could be applied around the five leaf stage as a tank mix with a herbicide. But, at this time there is really no point in including a fungicide unless you have disease present in the field. This is because:
1. Spraying at this time does not necessarily protect the crop through the entire season until the late application for Fusarium Head Blight (FHB) as many diseases can come into the crop at any time.
2. Spraying when there is no real disease on the crop can provide selection pressure for the disease to become insensitive to fungicides because many diseases also survive on grassy weed species in ditches and waste places even if they are not affecting the crop itself.
However, if disease is present, then it is worth thinking about including a fungicide. Early diseases to look for in Minnesota include Tan Spot, Septoria spot blotch, Leaf rust, and stripe rust. A good early season fungicide to use would be propiconazole (Tilt). It provides good control of most diseases and it is relatively inexpensive and a second season application can be made if necessary for mid-season control.
Mid-Season
A mid-season spray encompasses any diseases appearing in the time between the five leaf stage and flowering. At this point, the main goal is to protect the emerging flag leaf from becoming covered in disease, as

this provides most of the energy for grain filling. If you have disease high up in the canopy (leaf rust, stripe rust, Tan spot, Septoria spot blotch etc.) as the flag leaf is starting to emerge, then a fungicide application is appropriate. A number of products can be used at this stage. Consult the NCERA 184 "Small Grains" fungicide efficacy table for a guide to active ingredients and their efficacy for different diseases. At this mid-season stage, do not use Prosaro and Caramba, as these are better for control of FHB. In addition, we do not advocate the use of strobilurin fungicides (such as Headline), as it may elevate the level of mycotoxin production after FHB infection.
Early Flowering
Early flowering (Feekes Growth Stage 10.5.1 or early anthesis) applications are solely designed to control FHB. A spray application should be made when 50% of tillers are at early flowering (early flowering is often referred to as Feekes growth stage 10.5.1). If you can use a back and forward angled nozzle (70 & 30 degrees) you will gain far better penetration of the fungicides in to the head and therefore better disease control. Flowering begins in the center of each head with small yellow anthers protruding. Flowering begins in the center of each head with small yellow anthers protruding. Flowering then proceeds both up and down the head from the center. This usually lasts 3-4 days only and will be faster if the weather is warm. The anthers turn white (die to to the release of the yellow pollen known as dehiscence) and quickly drop off the plant. In order to see if a head has already flowered, open up the spikelet in the center of a head and see if there are immature green anthers inside. If yes, the anthers have fallen away from

the plant. As the plant becomes closer to flowering, these green anthers will start to color up inside the spikelet.
To control FHB, two fungicides, Prosaro and Caramba have consistently been shown to reduce both FHB and also the level of the mycotoxin, "DON", produced by the fungus. These products are a little more expensive, but if planting in to previous corn ground, or growing a moderately susceptible variety and the risk of FHB is high, then it can pay off. If the risk of FHB is trending low and you are growing a moderately resistant variety, you may opt to use a slightly cheaper tebuconazole product. As with many aspects of farming, it is a balancing act weighing risk versus gain. The link to the FHB risk forecasting map to help you determine your level of risk as plants start to flower is: <http://mawg.cropdisease.com> for the Minnesota model and <http://www.wheatscab.psu.edu> for the national model. You can also sign up for text alerts for the commentary on FHB risk that Madeline Smith, U M Small Grain Extension Pathologist and other scientist uses that will update throughout the season. The Minnesota Association of Wheat Growers website also has a link to a leaf disease forecasting model which you can use to assess mid-season risk of leaf disease.
The Spring Wheat Variety trials bulletin can be found at <https://www.maes.umn.edu/publications/field-crop-trials> and along with other agronomic traits, will list disease susceptibility information for the main small grains diseases in Minnesota for each variety. For more information, you can e mail Madeleine at smit7273@umn.edu.
Source: Madeleine Smith, U M Extension Small Grains Pathologist.

Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteer Iona Berry

So far June has been warm with a scattering of showers. I don't think I have heard my furnace start up once.
I was sad to say goodbye to Dorothy Lee this week. The funeral was well attended. I talked to several people who had come from a distance to attend. I also had lunch with a couple who were strangers to me.
I was sorry to hear of the accident that took the life of Cary Berberich. Cary worked for Don one summer.
This Wednesday evening, the Legion and Auxiliary will be holding a meeting at the Veteran's Park to honor veterans, living or dead. It is Flag Day,

so hope everyone remembers to fly their flags. They will be having a lunch after the program. This is the time to bring a worn-out flag as the Legion will be burning them.
This Friday all June birthday's will be honored. Sign up for a chance to win a free meal. Our oldest volunteer will be celebrating her birthday.
Dates to Remember
June 15: Site Council meeting at 10:00 a.m.
June 16: Birthday Meal at 11:30 am.
June 20: Senior Potluck at Cafe 5 p.m.
Words of Wisdom
Calmness is always attrac-

tive.
Principles are your principles only if you stick to them when it's inconvenient.
Joke Time
A young man hired by a supermarket reported for his first day of work. The manager greeted him with a warm handshake and a smile, gave him a broom and said, "Your first job will be to sweep out the store."
"But I'm a college graduate," the young man replied indignantly.
Oh, I'm sorry, I didn't know that," said the manager. "Here, give me the broom, I'll show you how."

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

It is summer and the week-end storms in other places did not sound very good. Some farmers have lost their crops to hail, some had tornadoes and some didn't get any rain. We didn't get any rain over a tenth of an inch in our rain gauge. We were in Thief River Falls and at K-Mart the road was half covered with water last night, maybe more than a tenth of an inch. There were puddles all around the area. We hope this will give the historians a glimpse into the spotty kinds of rain we are having.
On Friday Barb Novak and several others of the Brooks area went to the funeral of Helen Fisher. Helen and Joseph raised 15 children and she was a very busy housewife. She played organ for anything she could. She had a quiet and pleasant demeanor and she liked to laugh. It was just two weeks ago that someone mentioned what a great piano player she was and was playing at an event in Red Lake Falls. Our sympathy goes to your Family Helen, and our prayers too. Rest in Peace.

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Gregg Gagner came to visit Jerome Novak on Thursday.
Sandra Gagner came to visit Jerome and Barb Novak on Friday.
Next Sunday is Father's Day. Take time to spend some time with the family and enjoy the day with the kids. Fathers are so special, especially to their little daughters, so spend some time with the family. Happy Father's Day.
Another event this week is Flag Day on the 14th. Make

sure you remember our veterans who fought for this flag so many times. Display your flag. And if it is ratty looking take it down and get a new one. A flag in tatters is a disgrace to the country and it should be removed. Take the ratty one to the American Legion and they will burn it in the burning ceremony for flags. This is a memorable practice for the Legion.
Have a great week.

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Plummer News
By Alice Jobe
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Becky and David Opatz of Kinsey, Mt. came Friday to visit Karen Tvedt and other family. Becky is Karen's daughter. Also visiting was Amy Duray, of Warsanaar, Netherlands.
Jana and Mark Granum of Ham Lake, MN and son Sam, of Minneapolis, visited Bunny DuChamp and Jim and Debbie DuChamp over the weekend they enjoyed sitting outside.
Helen Fisher passed away Saturday June 3rd. Our sympathy to the family. She was a lovely person and mother to a big family.
Tri River Pioneers met Monday evening at 8 p.m. Plans for the 4th were discussed, such as power, food vendors, raffle ticket sales, and 4th of July poster distributed. Also,

the Chickering piano was to be tuned on Wednesday, June 7th.
Melody and Dan Brustad moved on Wednesday to Big Lake, MN. They taught in Plummer for 35+ and 36 years respectively. I will miss them as they were my neighbors. They will be closer to their son, Nick, and daughter, Emilie.
Emilie Skjerven had company on Friday. They were Loren and Elaine Mathson of Dickenson, North Dakota. Elaine is Emilie's sister.
Tuesday, Garden Valley Telephone Company, at Erskine, had their Customer Appreciation Day with business meeting, election of offices, and door prizes given away. A five year old boy won a nice bike. At about 12:30 the dinner was served. It was

meatballs, mashed potatoes, gravy, coleslaw, mixed vegetables, dinner roll, milk and sherbet or ice cream. Some from Plummer who came were: Emilie Skerven, Carol Gerardy, Anna DeHate, Alice Jobe, and Wilma Arlt. Also, Glenyce and Bruce Eskeli, Gerda and Arlen Koskela and Clayton Larson.
On Wednesday, I went to Badger to a cousin's home, where, my distant cousin Stan Rolinek and wife Radka, from The Czech Republic were visiting. This is his 4th on 5th time, her first, she speaks very little English, and so he translated. We had lunch, looked at lots of pictures and visited. It was great to see them and then I home in pouring rain for quite a lot of miles.



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