

Oklee Precipitation
By Einar Kvasager

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Pillow Case Project held at Oklee Quilting Supply, Inc.

Cassandra (Knutson) Leseman from Duluth came home to head up a pillow case project funded by Thrivent. She works at Essential Hospital in Duluth as a rehabilitation scheduler. The Children’s Hospital there receives an average of 200 children per month and each child gets to pick out a pillow case made by volunteers. They are very low on their supply so this past Saturday this group gathered at Oklee Quilting and sewed up 74 pillow cases. Back row Loretta Syrtveit, Oklee; Shirley Dessellier, Oklee; Sue Beaudoin, Brooks; Grace Dessellier, Oklee; Sylvia Cole from Middle River. Middle row: Jess Knutson, Margaret Delude, Oklee. Front row: Kassidy Torgerson, Oklee and Cassandra Leseman, Duluth.

Calendar of Events

Wed, Oct. 25:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
Thu, Oct. 26:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.
Fri, Oct. 27:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
Sat, Oct. 28:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
Sun, Oct. 29:
-Worship at the church of your choice.
Mon, Oct. 30:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
Tue, Oct. 31:
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards
Wed, Nov. 1:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
Thu, Nov. 2:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.
Fri, Nov. 3:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
Sat, Nov. 4:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
Sun, Nov. 5:
-Worship at the church of your choice.
Mon, Nov. 6:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
Tue, Nov. 7:
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards
-LSS Sr. Evening Meal 5:00 p.m.
Wed, Nov. 8:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
Thu, Nov. 9:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.
Fri, Nov. 10:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
Sat, Nov. 11:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
Sun, Nov. 12:
-Worship at the church of your choice.



Pilgrimage to Medjugorje in Bosnia-Herzegovina

By Barb Schmitz

Our group left on October 3 and returned October 11.

Medjugorje is a small town in Bosnia-Herzegovina. It is an unofficial place of Catholic pilgrimage since the Virgin Mary allegedly appeared to six young people (called visionaries) in 1981. The apparitions continue to this day. Since the alleged apparitions began, over 40 million people of all faiths from all over the world have visited this tiny village of Medjugorje. Our group consisted of 15 pilgrims and two priests. In Medjugorje, we walked up Apparition Hill where a marble statue of the Virgin Mary is located to commemorate the site of the first apparition. This marble statue was a gift from the Korean people.

We also climbed a much steeper hill called Cross Mountain to see the 30' concrete cross that the villagers built in 1934 to commemorate the 1900 year anniversary of Jesus' death. Stations of the Cross are placed along the climb where we stopped to pray.

Other activities included attending Mass, Adoration and the Rosary at St. James Church which has an outdoor altar capable of seating 17,000 people.

We toured Mother's Village, an orphanage built to provide homes for the many young children orphaned as a result of the war in the 1990's.

We toured Cenacolo community, a community established to help drug-addicted teens. It is not so much a drug rehab center as a school of life with prayer at its heart. Young people are put through an intensive spiritual boot camp where they learn to accept and live a simple lifestyle and to rediscover the gifts of hard work, friendship and faith.

Our last day was spent in Dubrovnik, Croatia, a beautiful city on the Adriatic Sea. We toured the "Old Town" which is encircled with massive stone walls completed in the 16th century. We attended Mass in the historic St. Blaise Church built in 1715 and viewed the body of martyred St. Silvan, a full figure 4th century incorruptible saint that lies in a glass coffin in the Church.

Highlights of the trip including seeing the faith of the thousands of people, listening to talks from the visionaries and climbing Apparition Hill and Cross Mountain and praying for all those from home that we carried with us in prayer.



This blue cross was on the way up the Cross Mountain. There were many Stations of Cross along the route to the top of Cross Mountain.

Minnesota 222 Turnback was discussed at meeting

The Red Lake County Commissioners meeting was held on October 10, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Board member present were John Lerohl, Chuck Simpson and Ron Weiss. The meeting was called to order since both the Chair (Anthony Flage) and Co-Chair (Dave Sorensen) were absent. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Simpson called for John Lerohl to be temporary Chair, which was seconded by Ron Wiess.

Darren Laesch, Planning Director for District 2 - MNDOT presented two options for turning over MN Hwy 222 to the county in the near future. The proposal is for transferring the jurisdiction of MN 222 from MN 92 to CSAH 5 in Oklee to Red Lake County.

The proposed improvements are that MN 222 would receive a bituminous reclaim with 4-1/2" bituminous surfacing (24" wide), shoulders would be widened to 6' with 4:1 slopes, shoulders would be paved full width within the City of Oklee and 2' in rural areas and existing culverts would be replaced.

The preliminary costs are:
Construction Cost \$1,200,000
Engineering Cost (20%) \$240,000
Right of Way Cost \$50,000
Supplemental Agreements (4.5%) \$50,000
Total \$1,540,000

The proposed schedule:
December 2017 – Finalize Jurisdictional Transfer Agreement between MNDOT & County

May 2018 – Legislature will amend MN Statutes to remove Legislative Route No. 222

June 2018 – MnDOT will develop an Authorization Map for turnback

July 2018 – MnDOT will issue a notice of release

There are two options for payment of this project. Reimbursable Payment or In Lieu Payment.

Under Option 1: Reimbursable Payment, the proposed improvements would be led by the County and would be administered through State Aid. The County would be reimbursed for all eligible costs incurred on the project including construction, engineering, right of way, and supplemental agreements through the County Turnback

Account. The County would assume all responsibility for the operation, maintenance and reconstruction of MN222 upon notice of release. And expenses incurred prior to the notice of release are at the sole risk of the County.

Under Option 2: In Lieu Payment, the proposed option the County would receive a one-time lump sum payment equal to the total cost of the project described above under the Eligible Costs section, the funds would be transferred to the County Road and Bridge account and the County is free to determine scope and schedule of improvements on MN 222. By accepting the payment provided, the County released Mndot from any and all claims related to the condition of the roadway segment. The County would assume all responsibility for the operation, maintenance and reconstruction of MN 222 upon release of payment (notice of release), and any expenses incurred prior to the notice of release are at the sole risk of the County.

Corky Kleven, County Highway Engineer, felt that there are 3 points of stipulation he would like to address before recommending one option over the other. One had to do with the Right of Ways, the other dealt with ADT (Amount of Daily Traffic). Currently there is about 1000 cars going on MN 222 a day and wants roads flared out in town, and the final piece deals with remediation for the pieces of property and recommended Kurt Casavan to be the agent for this part.

Questions from the Commissioners were: When the work would be done? Probably in 2019. Isn't there a fund that deals with this type of turnover? Yes, there is a fund and this would be taken care of from that fund. Which option protects the county better financially? Option 1: Reimbursement Payment better protects the county, but the county would not have control of planning it. Environmental concerns? Kleven would like to make sure the environmental testing sites be cleared and other stipulations before accepting Option 2. Laesch said if the County wants Option 2, a clause could be added saying contingent on a clean environmental report.

It was decided that more information needed to be

presented and a full board present before making a final decision on which option to take. Also a official resolution from the City of Oklee needs to be done before decision to also help decide which option to take. Laesch said he would get environmental info and come back with an agreement.

Kleven asked to address the board with a few items that included a floodplain workshop, sign truck is here, and an update on the EcoFootprint grant received and implemented this summer in the towns of Oklee, Plummer and Red Lake Falls.

Other items taken care of by the board was the certificate of Final Acceptance/Final payment for SAP 063-614-006 with a motion by Weiss, seconded by Simpson, carried.

Kurt Casavan, Red Lake County Environmental Officer, discussed an issue in Lambert Township that has been brought to his attention again. There is a property that continues to get complaints and the owner knows the limits and stays within the limits. "Does the board want to pursue this further?" was Casavan's question. Sheriff Mitch Bernstein read the description of a public nuisance in the county and it is not a danger to anyone driving by. The County Attorney was also asked his opinion and he felt it was a dead end street. It if becomes a hazard to public safety it will be looked at again.

The bills were looked at and approved with a motion by Simpson, seconded by Weiss, carried.

Committee reports were given by Weiss who had attended Tri County Corrections Center (TCCC) meeting. Insurance is an issue for them also and found that by not going through the Cooperative, it is cheaper. There is a program to help inmates find jobs after they are released that is being taught/ held in the gymnasium at the jail. Clay County has finished their jail and now will no longer need the 20 reserved beds, but Mahanomen may be looking for extra beds. Also the TCCC finalized their budget for the next year and the amount has gone down by about \$1100.

Lerohl had attended the NW Regional Development meeting

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30 foot cross built in 1934 to commemorate Jesus' death.



Body of martyred St. Silvan at St. Blaise Church which was built in 1715.



St. James Church is capable of seating 17,000 people at the outdoor altar

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH

Zion and Salem
Interim SAM Christy Klemz

Wed, Oct. 25: 6:00 p.m. Chime Choir. 7:00 p.m. Confirmation at Zion in Thief River Falls.

Thu, Oct. 26: Cottage Meeting at Zion 3:00 p.m.

Sun, Oct 29: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Zion. 9:00 a.m. SS at Salem. 10:15 a.m. SS at Zion. 10:30 am. Worship at Salem.

Wed, Nov. 1: 6:00 p.m. Chime Choir. 7:00 p.m. Confirmation at Zion.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH OKLEE

Fr. Adam Hamness
Sun, Oct. 29: 7:30 a.m. Confessions 8:00 a.m. Mass.

BROOKS - RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH

Fr. Bob Schreiner
Sat, Oct. 28: 5:30 p.m. RLF
Sun, Oct. 29: 8:00 a.m. Brooks. 10:00 a.m. RLF.

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA

Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, Oct. 29: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer. 9:15 a.m. Sunday School at Immanuel. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Immanuel.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA

Bethany-Ekelund-Faith Pastor Kristen Ostercamp
Wed, Oct. 25: Release Time. 7:00 p.m. Faith - 9th grade confirmation.

Sun, Oct 29: 10:30 a.m. Joint Service at Bethany, meal & carnival to follow.

Mon, Oct. 30: 9:00 a.m. Faith Quilting.

Wed, Nov. 1: Release Time.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH

Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri Pastor Jeff Merseeth

Wed, Oct. 25: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School.
Sat, Oct. 28: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, Oct. 29: Joint Service at Oak Park at 4:00 p.m. SS/Choir Practice at 3:15 p.m. Meal to follow.

Wed, Nov. 1: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH Josiah Hoagland, Pastor

Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com

Wed. Oct. 25: 6:00p.m. Alpha. 6:30 p.m. Awana.

Thu, Oct. 26: 12:00 p.m. Rotary.

Fri, Oct 27: Release Times. 6:00 p.m. Holy Yoga.

Sat, Oct. 28: 9:00 a.m. Holy Yoga.

Sun, Oct. 29: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:40 p.m. Sunday School.

Tue, Oct. 31: 9:30a.m. Ladies Bible study. 10:00 a.m. Quilting. 6:30p.m. Bible Study.

Wed. Nov. 1: 6:00 p.m. Alpha.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH

Bethany * Lund Sand Valley Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister

Sun, Oct. 29: 10:30 a.m. Parish Service at Lund. Potluck to follow.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston

Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor

Sun, Oct. 29: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

Red Lake Falls Library News

The library is open on Tuesday from Noon until 7:00 pm, Wednesday from Noon until 7:00 pm, Thursday from Noon to 5:00 p.m.; Friday from Noon until 5:00 pm, and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. On-line patrons are reminded that they can visit www.nwrlib.org/rlf.htm at any time, where they can create their own patron accounts to browse, request and renew materials all from their home computers.

New adult fiction from popular authors includes "Midnight Line" by Lee Child, "Future Home of the Living God" by Louise Erdrich, "Hardcore Twenty-four" by Janet Evanovich, "American Drifter" by Heather Graham, and "House of Unexpected Sisters" by Alexander McCall Smith.

Other new titles to watch for in Northwest Regional Library include "End Game" by David Baldaci, "Armageddon File" by Stephen Coonts, "Typhoon Fury" by Clive Cussler, "Noel Diary" by Richard Paul Evans, "Unleash the Night" by Sherrilyn Kenyon, "In this Moment" by Karen Kingsbury, "Whispering Room" by Dean Koontz, "scandal in Battersea" by Mercedes Lackey, "People vs. Alex Cross" by James Patterson, "Count to Ten" by James Patterson and Ashwin Sanghi, "Christmas Return" by Anne Perry, and "Past Perfect" by Danielle Steel.

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by phone and grants were approved. Enbridge meeting was discussed.

Simpson had no meetings to report on.

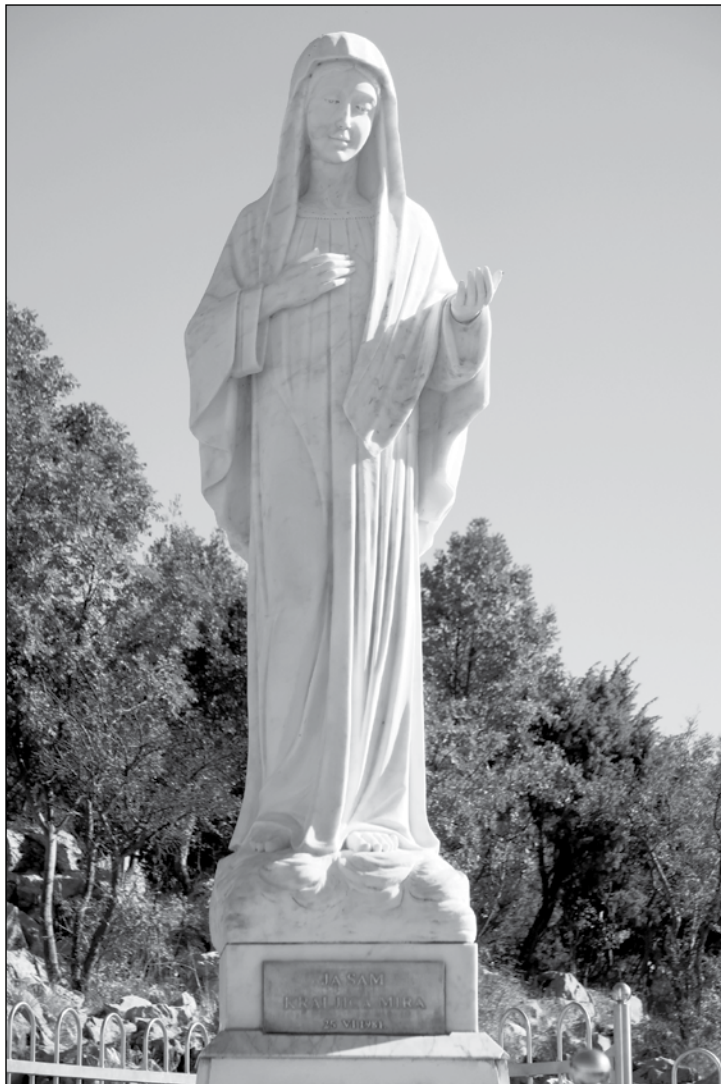
Robert Schmitz, County Auditor had a resolution for Crime Victims for a grant and County Attorney LaCoursiere will administer. This was approved with a motion by Weiss and seconded by Simpson.

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

Schmitz also updated the board on the State Auditor's issue and board are sending letters of engagement back to the State Auditor's office unsigned. All of the counties involved in this issue have contracts already in place for their audits. A motion to not sign the letter of engagement was made by Simpson, seconded by Weiss, carried.

Mediation board on Striping issue has been set. Need two board members to go to this and need to know by next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11:43 a.m.



This statue of Mary was a gift from the Korean people.



One of many Stations of the Cross along the way to the top of Cross Mountain.

Sudoku Solution

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

Centennial Recipe Corner

Beer Cheese Soup Jane Kolstoe

1/2 cup chopped onion
1/2 cup chopped carrot
1/2 cup chopped celery
1 can beer
1 (9-1/2 oz.) non-dairy creamer mixed with
2 quarts water
2 cups chicken stock
salt and pepper to taste
1/2 Tbsp. paprika
1/2 Tbsp. cumin
1 lb. American cheese
1 to 2 cups cheddar cheese

Roux:

1-1/2 cups flour
1/2 lb. butter

Simmer celery, onion and carrots in 1 can beer for 15-20 minutes. Mix creamer, water and chicken stock and bring to a boil. Add spices and cheese. Mix well until cheese is melted. Add simmered vegetables and roux. Heat to near boiling and serve.



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Sheriff's Report

Shortly before 11 a.m. on Sunday, October 22, 2017, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report that some bomb making materials were found near a hunting cabin in Equality Township, Northeast of Oklee. A Red Lake County Deputy responded to the scene and found what appeared to be several pipe bombs, in a container, hidden in a rubble pile on the complainant's property. It did not appear that the bombs were placed there to be detonated. It appeared that someone had placed the bombs there to attempt to store and hide them.

The Red Lake County Sheriff's Office contacted the Bomb Squad in Grand Forks, ND. They were willing to assist, but had to get authorization to cross state lines from the Minnesota Duty Officer. The Minnesota Duty Officer was contacted and they dispatched the Crow Wing County Bomb Squad out of Brainerd, MN.

Red Lake County law enforcement secured the scene and waited for the bomb technicians form Crow Wing County to arrive. Around 4:30 p.m., two bomb technicians arrived at the scene. The

bombs were disabled and the property was searched for any other explosives or dangerous items. Evidence was collected the property was deemed safe around 7:30 p.m.

The Red Lake County Sheriff's Office is working with the FBI and the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms to investigate this case. This case is still under investigation and no other information will be released at this time. If anyone has any information that may be helpful in finding who placed the bombs at this location, they are asked to contact the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office.

Mitch Bernstein, Red Lake County Sheriff

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RLCC Menus

**Oct. 30 – November 3
Oklee**

Monday: Breakfast: Biscuit & gravy, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chili w/ cheese, onions, corn chips, fresh vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Bagels w/cream cheese, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, lettuce salad, fresh vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken spaghetti hotdish, breadsticks, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Muffins, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Rib patty, mini bakers, vegetables, fruit, Gold Fish, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hot dog or polish, baked beans, chips, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Monday: Breakfast: Long John, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Scalloped potatoes w/ham, broccoli Normandy, bread, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Breakfast scramble pizza, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Secret Grab & Go bag and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Poptart, yogurt, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Diced chicken in gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, dinner roll, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hamburger w/bun, oven fries, corn cobs, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, ham, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hot dog w/bun, tater tots, baked beans, fruit, and milk.



RLCC Sports Schedules

RLC Football

Varsity

Sat, Oct. 28: Section Semifinals – High Seed TBA

Thu, Nov. 2: Section Finals – Fargo Dome – TBA

RLCC Mustang

Volleyball

Thu, Oct. 26: Play In Game – High Seed 7:00 p.m.

Fri, Oct. 27: Section Quarterfinals – BSU TBD

Tue, Oct. 31: Section Semifinals – Bagley TBD

Fri, Nov. 3: Section Finals – UMC TBD

RLCC High School

Upcoming Events

By Madison Carlson

There are quite a few upcoming events for Red Lake County Central High School. They include the following:

Tuesday, October 31st. MN Honor Society students help with Oklee Community Halloween Party at 6:00 pm

Friday, November 3rd. End of 1st quarter; Early out for students/busses running 3 hours early.

Thursday, November 9th. Financial Aid Night for seniors at 6:30 pm

Thu, Nov. 9th & Tue, Nov. 14th. High School Parent Teacher Conferences in Oklee 4:00 – 8:00 pm.

Halloween Party at Oklee Hall

By Sydnie Gunderson

Children are invited to dress up and come to Oklee's Community Halloween Party. The party is Tuesday, October 31 at 6 pm at Oklee's Community Hall. The evening will be filled with games, activities and fun!

The event is sponsored by the Oklee Community Club. The Red Lake County Central Minnesota Association of Honor Society members will help set up and help run games and activities.

Wednesday, October 25, 2017

Six inducted into MAHS at Red Lake County Central



New inductees into RLCC's Honor Society are (back) Calyssa Eskeli, Andrew Fish, Jayden Iverson, (front) Lilly Guillemette, Adrienne Jones, and Sophia Linder.

By Holly Johnsrud

Red Lake County Central High School's induction ceremony into the Minnesota Association of Honor Societies was held Friday, October 13 in the high school gym. The six students who were inducted included Andrew Fish, Calyssa Eskeli, Lilly Guillemette, Jayden Iverson, Adrienne Jones, and Sophia Linder.

Current senior MAHS members are Hannah Kolstoe, Sydney Melby, Kara Longtin, Katie Olson, Jayden Fore, Erin Jones, and Matt Vettleson. Junior members include Jarisa Bailey, Julia Bernstein, Marie Johnson, and Sydnie Gunderson.

The program began with a

welcome by the MAHS advisor at RLCC, Mr. Bryan Paskvan. It also included a candlelight ceremony focusing on the four pillars: Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character. Each officer lit a candle and spoke about one pillar. President Hannah Kolstoe spoke about scholarship. Speaking on service was Vice President Sydney Melby. Secretary Kara Longtin talked about leadership. The final pillar character was talked about by Treasurer Katie Olson. New members were inducted.

The guest speaker was Marcella Melby, a former math teacher at RLCC.

Youth Rebel Teams

End Season

By Brian Remick

The Red Lake County junior high and junior varsity teams both ended their respective seasons with games against Polk County West on October 16th. The junior high team would start with a bang. Damon Ferguson took the first play 68 yards for the touchdown and an early 6-0 lead. The first half would exchange touchdowns back and forth with RLC scoring last and taking an 18-12 lead into the break. The game would become tied in the third. Late in the fourth a fumble caused by Ty Kennett recovered by Blane Schmitz would give the Rebels the ball deep in Thunder territory. Kennett would score to give RLC a 24-18 lead. PCW would drive to the 10 yard line with one second left. On the last play of the game Ben Coenen would come up with a big tackle to finish the game. The RLC junior high would finish the season with a 4-2 record.

The JV teams would play a quick first half in their game. RLC would move the ball and the clock quickly up and down the field. RLC would finally get on the board with three minutes left in the half on a Fred Landman to Brady Leuthner 33 yard pass. Leading 8-0 in the third RLC would pin the Thunder deep into their own territory. PCW would try an option play but Chris Longtin would pick off the pitch and return it for a touchdown and a 14-0 lead. RLC would dominate the game. The defense would play very well and another Longtin touchdown would give RLC a 22-0 win. The JV Rebels end their season 3-3.

November ECFE

News and Events

By: David Clifton

You are your child's first and most important teacher. Red Lake County Central Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) classes can help you with that role. Each month during the school year, sessions and activities are planned where you and your child together enjoy a classroom

filled with developmentally appropriate play and learning activities.

Planned events for November include the following:

Thursday, November 2: Infant/Toddler Class #1: "Finger Fun" and Infant Massage from 6:00-7:00 pm at the Oklee site. Soup and bread served at 5:45 pm. Connie Hagen will be presenting infant massage and toddlers will be exploring lots of hands on finger fun activities in the ECFE room. Call ahead to register for Infant Massage at the Oklee Site: 796-5136 ext. 41.

Thursday, November 16: RLCC ECFE 3-5 year olds class #1: "Little Red Hen Night" including pretzel making with fresh dough from 6:00-7:30 pm at the Plummer site. We will be reading the story "The Little Red Hen" and making some pretzels with homemade bread dough!! Choose from garlic salt topping or cinnamon/sugar topping. We will be playing with farm animals, making puppets and shaking butter to use on our pretzels.

Thursday, November 20: RLCC ECFE 3-5 year old class #2: Seasonal Sign Making with Kelly for adults and Movie and Popcorn for kids at the Oklee site from 6:00-7:30 pm. This will be a fun project for adults to make a keepsake and be creative at the same time! Cost will be \$10.00 for a 12x12 inch board and \$20.00 for a 12x24 inch board. Kelly will post pictures on Facebook (RLCC ECFE) of the ideas you can choose from. Children will be watching a short movie in the preschool room and enjoying some popcorn. Soup and bread will also be available. Call 796-5136 to register by Tuesday, November 28th.

If you and your child are looking for some fun, come to one of the many events that are planned for November. For information on the events, check out and like their Facebook page RLCC ECFE. It will have the upcoming events and lots of information about ECFE.

**Deadline:
Friday's at noon!**



Members of Minnesota Association of Honor Societies at RLCC include (Back) Seniors: Erin Jones, Katie Olson, Kara Longtin, Sydney Melby, Matt Vettleson, Hannah Kolstoe, and Jayden Fore. (Middle) Juniors: Jarisa Bailey, Julia Bernstein, Andrew Fish, Sydnie Gunderson, Marie Johnson, along with MAHS advisor Mr. Bryan Paskvan. (Front) Sophomores: Adrienne Jones, Calyssa Eskeli, Jayden Iverson, Lilly Guillemette, and Sophia Linder.



RLCC's September Students of the Month recipients: Josh Kelley and Tyler Eskeli with their nominating teachers Mrs. Tvedt and Ms. Steva.

September Jr Hi

Student of the Month

By: Aiydin Lancio

Ms. Shelly Steva at Red Lake County Central introduced the September Junior High Student of the Month, Tyler Eskeli. She commented that he is a good student who often asks very intelligent questions. He cares about his subjects and often asks if he has done enough. He is also busy athletically and participates in football, basketball, and baseball. "He always wishes

you a nice day as he leaves."

Eskeli is 13 years old and in eighth grade. His parents are Becky Eskeli, and Steve, and Andrea Eskeli. He also has four siblings, Matt, Calyssa, Kaylee, and Olin. Eskeli enjoys playing basketball, running, reading, and playing video games in his free time.

Senior High Student of the Month

By: Derek Peterson

The September Senior High Student of the Month at Red

Lake County Central was Josh Kelley. He was awarded the accomplishment by Mrs. Tvedt. She commented on his great improvement academically. "He is a hard worker, comes to class with a positive attitude, and tries to do his best in class at all times," she also added.

Kelley is in the 12th grade, and 17 years old. His parents are James and Angela Kelley. He has one sister named Brittany. He enjoys playing Madden on PS4 and watching TV in his free time.

Trick or Treat Safety

"Trick or treat!" That's the phrase shouted with glee by many a youngster across the country every Halloween night. But before your ghosts and goblins trick or treat this year, parents should keep in mind these trick or treating safety tips to make sure the only howls are those of fun.

Trick-or-Treaters Tips

Buy costumes and wigs labeled "flame resistant."

Never walk near lit candles or luminaries while wearing costumes.

Fasten reflective tape to costumes and bags to help drivers see you.

Carry a flashlight. Walk, don't run. Don't go into a stranger's house.

Stay on Sidewalks.

Don't cut across yards or driveways.

Make sure costumes don't drag on the ground.

Shoes should fit

Avoid wearing masks while walking from house to house.

Carry only flexible knives, swords or other props.

"No sidewalk?" Then walk on the left side of the road facing traffic.

Wear clothing with reflective

markings or tape.

Approach only houses that are lit.

Never accept rides from strangers.

Avoid trick-or-treating alone. Walk in groups or with a trusted adult.

Parent Safety Tips

Ideally, an adult should accompany young children of any age.

Older children should know where to reach you and when to be home.

You should know where they're going.

Although tampering is rare, tell children to bring the candy home to be inspected – before consuming anything.

Look at the wrapping carefully and toss out anything that looks suspect.



Oklee Herald Early Files

Forty Years Ago
October 27, 1977
Important person for this week's interview was Pastor and Mrs. Keeler who is pastor of Clearwater Lutheran Parish (Mt. Olive, Nazareth, Clearwater, Oak Park and St. Petri).
Pershing High School in Plummer will sponsor a student book fair on October 27 & 28.
Sheryl VanDeStreek of Oklee was a candidate for the Sunflower Bowl held at the University of Minnesota – Crookston on October 22nd.
A baby boy was born October 24th to Bruce & Julie Oehlke of Cambridge MN. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Herb Bakke and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wishard of Trail.
Thirty Years Ago
October 28, 1987
From the Oklee Senior Site News: By now you must all know that the “Twins” won the World Series. Ingvald once said if it sounded like there was a crazy women in the house, it was me watching baseball. Sunday night was more of the

same.
Minnie Stonehouse showed off her Minnesota Twin's button which was given to her by May Brtek. Minnie is MacManors #1 Twins fan. She always believed they could win – and they did.
Twenty Years Ago
October 22 & 29, 1997
RLCC won the Polar Conference Championship by beating the Fisher/Climax Knights in three close matches.
Oklee September Students of the month were Paul Bachand and Keif Kolstoe.
Richard and Arlene Froiland of Plummer and Robert and Melaine Carpenter of Oslo announce the engagement of their children Jerilee and Benjamin. A November wedding is being planned.
RLCC Mustang Football team go to the Fargo Dome on Friday October 31st.
Thirty 5th grade peer educators and their teachers from nine school districts participated in TAD (Tobacco – Alcohol – Drug Use Prevention) camps. Teacher Doloris

Haugen had four students in TAD: Kayla Lundeen, Lindsey Bernard, Chris Hamm and Jeremiah Smith.
Ten Years Ago
October 24, 2007
Leroy Mercil left the City of Brooks in May to go to the Republic of Kazakhstan and train local people how to run the Marflex sprayer he sent earlier. Mercil arrived home in October and is busy on more plans to get his products known worldwide.
Two members, Elmer Hanson and Bennet Larson, of the Oklee Veteran Memorial Committee broke ground for the new monument that will be placed this fall on the corner of Hwy 222 and 2nd Ave.
Out with the old and in with the ____? RLCC Elementary is losing their merry-go-round and not sure what will be replacing it yet, that will be up to the School to decide. Spinning is apparently good for us, as it helps students be more focused.

Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteer Iona Berry

Meeting last week as the representative from LSS asked if we could delay it one week as she was very busy last week. She would have come if it had been inconvenient for us, but we said this Thursday would be fine.
The Auxiliary is having a Bingo Bake Sale soon, so be sure to come and enjoy.

Dates to Remember
October 26: Site Council meeting at 10 a.m.
October 31: Halloween Party.
November 3: Evening meal at the Cafe.

Words of Wisdom
More stuff seldom satisfies but it does make for more things to dust and step over.

Offer hope and ideas and you'll always be of value.

Joke Time
While conducting a routine inspection the colonel arrived at the mess hall door where he met to KP's with a large soup kettle.
"Let me taste that," the colonel snapped. One of the men fetched a big spoon and handed it respectfully to the CO, who plunged the ladle into the pot and took a large mouthful of the steaming liquid, smacking his lips critically. Then he let out a roar that could be heard back at headquarters.
"Do you call that soup?" he bellowed.
"No, sir," explained one of the KP's. "It's dishwater we were just throwing out."

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

Wind, wind go away. I don't know about you but I am really sick of all this wind. It blew up a lot of molds and dusts and pollens and whatever has been sprayed out on the fields for days now. I thought I caught a cold two weeks ago, and it was abating and I was feeling better when on Wednesday the wind really whipped us into frazzles. It also had me hacking and sneezing and nose and sinus situations becoming active. Well now I am trying to get past this "cold". I'm allergic to the wind I think. The cough is the worst though.

Happy Birthday to Adam Reese who celebrated on Friday along with Walter and Cindy Novak, Caleb Novak, and his wife Carly Novak. We hope this next year is better than the last one. Happy Birthday nephew.
On Wednesday, the Day of Caring students came to Brooks. There were leaves to be taken out of eaves troughs, and leaves to be raked, and windows to wash. The wind had other ideas but the work was done to the best of their ability barring the wind. Thank you to the students who came to help. In many ways this is a great program, it helps the older folks who can't get this work done in the Fall, and it teaches that a little community service makes one feel good to help others. Besides it is a day out of school. Thank you to the students who did this wonderful service.

Jerome and Barb Novak went to the Fish Fry at Plummer that the Lions put on. Their Fish Fry's are super good besides it helps the community. Many others from the Brooks area came to eat that night too. I remember seeing Deb Champagne and her husband Randy there, and Dianne and Clare Gagner. And so many more. We applaud the men and ladies of the Lions who work so hard putting on this great meal every year. Thank you.

The people of the week are those who supervised on the Day of Caring. Cindy Determan, Joanne Bradley, Dianne and Clarence Gagner, Lowell and Alex Hamrum, and Jerome Novak. What a great crew.
We hope your week is great. Sounds to me like it may get colder just in time for Halloween. We may even have measurable snow by the end of the week. It is that time of year so I guess we must expect it.

Bonny's Bits...

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I hear there are many people who have gotten this cold I had. It was not fun, but it will go away eventually. I still have my cough, but overall, I'm feeling pretty good.
Now that I'm back to normal, I can finish my painting projects I had started. Maybe get some livingroom furniture finally in the house. Things are moving along, but this cold didn't help one bit. Guess I must have been pushing myself too hard.
It is a busy time of year when winter is breathing down our necks and we have to finish all the projects outside before the snow flies. I hope everyone has taken advantage of the warm weather to get their things done.
Next Tuesday is Halloween and the kids will be walking

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

Carol Gerardy, Gerda Koskela, and Emilie Skjervén visited with Barb Skjonsby of Houston, TX at the Donald Stenberg home. They were classmates of Barbara.
A week ago Friday, Bunny DuChamp, Lorna Jesme, Arlene Jesme, and Rose Sollid and Emma Aune went to the Paradise Restaurant in Stratcona for lunch. Emma is a classmate of Bunny's.
Joanie Wright of Seattle, WA, was a weekend guest of Chuck and Jolayne Simpson. She is the daughter of Marion Pearson who was a sister of Ivan and Melvin Hesse. Several of the relatives got to visit with her also.

Alice Jobe was a dinner guest of John and Edwardine Szklarski, of Stephen on Sunday. Edwardine is a cousin. They will be moving to Moorhead on November 1st. It was a very enjoyable visit.
On Wednesday morning, Anna DeHate, Anne Traxler and Alice Jobe went to Fosston to the New Journey Church for a Nell Presentation. Jesse MacArthur, from Brainerd had left for Ecuador when he was 18 years old and lived and worked there for nine years. He experienced the jungle, its animals, fishing on the Amazon, lived and ate and worked with the natives. They were taught how to use chainsaws and other useful things. They learned to use their resources more wisely. He spoke very good Spanish and gave a very interesting talk. He is quite a photographer also. He said he'd done missionary work before when he was in his teens and got interested in their culture. Jerry Frietag is one of the Nell Coordinators for this.
Immanuel Lutheran Church of Plummer hosted the Cluster 2 gathering on Saturday, October 14th, at the church. Over 80 women representing ELCA churches in NW MN attended this fall gathering. Judy Scramstad, Cluster 2 Coordinator and Debbie DuChamp, Immanuel WELCA President gathered and Pastor Jonathan Dodson who led the opening devotions. Anna Olson, of New York Mills, was the guest speaker, whose

presentation on "Growing up Amish" was a very personal journey of growing up Amish, leaving the group and the interaction of her family both inside and outside the Amish group, was so interesting. Elaine Ballard, TRF, and Linda Olson, provided the music. Glynecy Eskeli talked about the history of the Tri River Pioneer Museum in Plummer, and invited anyone in attendance to tour the museum following lunch. Marilyn Grandstand of Stephen extended greetings from the Synodical Women's Board. Ebenezer Lutheran Women served morning coffee

and buns. The Immanuel women served soup, ham/cheese sandwiches, bars for lunch. Many ladies did tour the museum after.
On Thursday, Plummer Senior Citizens met. They sang Happy Birthday to Inga, who was 103 on the 21st, Saturday. She said grace in Norwegian before they ate. Kim Wolff, from Lutheran Social Services was a great speaker. She spoke about the need for volunteers to help relieve those who are caregivers for a love one and the shortage of help in nursing homes. They all enjoyed a potluck lunch.

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat
This week's photo is of some folks from the area.
Last week's photo was of Brianna (Determan) Wanner of Bismarck, ND; Kelly (Opdahl) Pai of Plymouth, MN and Susanne O'Neill of Oklee, MN. These gals are now in their 30's.
Everyone has a photo or two that would be great for this column. Please share them with our readers.
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Cow-Calf Early Fall Management Tips

Dr. Alfredo DiCostanzo, University of Minnesota Beef Team
Summer and fall cow-calf management permits producers to get ready for the winter and the next production cycle. Preparation is important to ensure that winter feeding costs are kept as low as possible without affecting calf weight or growth. Two major considerations need to be made when thinking of early fall management: 1) cow condition in preparation for winter, and 2) calf growth in preparation for marketing. The former requires that producers determine cow condition score beginning in late summer and early fall. Assigning a herd or group of cows managed together a score between one (extremely thin) and nine (extremely fat) and then utilizing this score to make appropriate decisions will contribute to reduced feed costs and consistent production of calves. Visual evaluation of calf growth or measuring calf weights on a scale (weighing a small but representative group of calves should suffice) should permit evaluation of cow milking ability and summer cow nutrition. Lower than expected calf growth is a signal for producers to alter early fall management to begin cow reconditioning or recuperate calf weight gains before marketing or placing in the feedyard. Alternative management strategies in response to poor cow condition or calf growth are: early weaning, creep feeding and pasture supplementation. Some guidelines to select among these alternatives are described below.
In order to manage cow condition and calf growth, producers need to: 1) determine body condition score (scale of 1 to 9), 2) evaluate pasture condition and quality, and 3) measure or evaluate calf growth in mid- to late August and a

month prior to weaning.
Some situations and recommended actions are given below:
• When cow condition averages below a score of five, pasture condition and calf growth are poor, producers may consider early weaning or creep feeding and pasture supplementation. This strategy permits the calf to recuperate some growth and the cow to regain condition in a compromised pasture situation.
• When calf growth appears normal, but pasture and cow condition are poor (below a score of five), producers may choose to early wean and/or supplement the cow herd. This strategy permits cow reconditioning in a compromised pasture situation.
• When calf growth and pasture condition are adequate, but cow condition is poor and weaning is less than 45 days away, producers may choose to early wean.
This strategy permits cow reconditioning on pasture. Early weaning is most successful when calves are 4 months old or older. However, early weaning requires facilities, feed and water. When producers can have access to a clean calf pen or yard that can safely contain young calves and has access to clean, cool water and feeding facilities, early weaning is recommended. Additionally, producers are advised that nutrient needs of calves are Beef Cattle higher in protein and relatively high in energy to maintain or improve on growth achieved while on the cow. In general, early weaned calves weighing 300 to 400 lb will require diets containing 74% TDN and 15% CP. As a general reference, corn contains 90% TDN and 9% CP; barley contains 84% TDN and 13% CP; corn silage contains 70% TDN and 8% CP; alfalfa haylage contains 65% TDN

and 17% CP; and soybean meal contains 88% TDN and 50% CP. Thus, diets formulated with 80% corn silage and 20% soybean meal (dry basis) should meet early-weaned calf nutrient needs. Also, 50:50 (dry basis) combinations of small grains and haylage would meet early-weaned calf needs. Calf raising cost becomes an issue when deciding to early wean.
Creep feeding is also an alternative when calves will continually be owned through part or all of the finishing period. When presented with the option, calves will eat creep feed and continue to suckle regularly (limiting forage intake). Thus, creep feed cost and quality are important factors to consider when creep feeding. Nutrient content of creep feed varies with creep feed intake and cow's milking ability. When creep feed is fed at 1% of the calf's body weight (dry basis) and milking ability is moderate to low, creep feed must be formulated to contain 72% to 88% TDN and 20% to 23% CP. Thus, corn-soybean meal-based creep feed works well for moderate milking ability situations. Pasture supplementation is recommended only when pasture conditions are poor and the cow will be given a chance to recuperate (in conjunction with early weaning). Feeding the cow to achieve calf gains is usually not cost-effective, because calves convert feed to gain more efficiently than cows. When pasture supplementation is an option, producers should sample pasture clippings to determine what type of supplement to formulate. Energy supplements include corn silage, corn, small grains, corn gluten feed, good quality hay and haylage. Protein supplements include soybean meal, sunflower meal, corn gluten feed, poultry litter, alfalfa hay or haylage. Under most conditions, when pasture energy falls below 56% TDN or 9% CP, or pasture supply is not sufficient, supplementation is required. A simple rule of thumb is to supplement corn (or similar energy equivalent) at the rate of .5 lb (dry basis) for each percentage TDN below 56%. Similarly, supplement soybean meal (or similar protein equivalent) at the rate of .5 lb (dry basis) for each percentage CP below 9%. Thus, if a pasture forage test lists 53% TDN and 7% CP, producers may use 1.5 lb corn and 1 lb soybean meal (dry basis) to meet the respective nutrient deficits.
The situations and recommendations listed herein are but a few of the alternatives producers have to manage cows in the early fall. These guidelines were provided with the objective to reduce winter feeding costs and maintain cow productivity. Feed and cattle prices and cow and calf nutrient needs must always be considered when choosing these or other strategies.

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