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Happy Thanksgiving

The Oklee Herald 796-5181

A Thankful Heart

May we always each remember on this special day,
Many blessings that are ours all along the way.
May we with deep humility forever have a part,
In expressing gratitude from a thankful heart.
Grant us strength to do our best in each daily task;
To be worth of this day we would humbly ask.
Help us walk in paths of service doing what we can
By giving thanks through kindness to our fellowman.
By Virginia Katherine Oliver

Calendar of Events

Wed, Nov. 22:
-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. 23:
Happy Thanksgiving!!
-Café Closed in Oklee – No Senior Meal.

Fri, Nov. 24:
- Café Closed in Oklee – No Senior Meal.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.

Sat, Nov. 25:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!

Sun, Nov. 26:
-Worship at the church of your choice.

Mon, Nov. 27:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

Tue, Nov. 28:
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards

Wed, Nov. 29:
-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. 30:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.

Fri, Dec. 1:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.

Sat, Dec. 2:
-Santa Day in Oklee at the Community Hall.
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!

Sun, Dec. 3:
-Worship at the church of your choice.

Mon, Dec. 4:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

Tue, Dec. 5:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards

Wed, Dec. 6:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

Thu, Dec. 7:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.

Fri, Dec. 8:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.

Sat, Dec. 9:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!

Sun, Dec. 10:
-Worship at the church of your choice.



CP Holiday Train coming to Plummer December 12th

Once again, Plummer is graced with the Canadian Pacific Holiday Train stopping on December 12th.

Beginning in Montreal, Quebec, on November 25 and 26, 2017 respectively, two trains will make the festive journey, travelling through both the U.S. and Canada to bring holiday cheer to 171 communities along CP's network. Each event is completely free, with CP encouraging every attendee to open their cupboards or wallets to ease hunger needs in their community. Local food banks will be accepting donations at each stop to ensure those less fortunate can access adequate food this holiday season and year-round.

"The Holiday Train program is all about local food banks and food shelves and the critical role they play in our communities," said Keith Creel, CP's President and Chief Executive Officer. "People come for the beautifully-lit train and stay for the incredible show –

all in the name of community. The holiday season is the best time of the year, and we look forward to bringing together thousands of Canadians and Americans this season for this incredibly important cause and a great time."

Events in Plummer start around 4 p.m. There will be caroling, "Santa", sleigh wagon rides, serving at the community hall at 4:30 p.m. Also bring canned goods for food shelf to the hall or museum. The museum will be open for touring. Performing from the boxcar stage will be Dallas Smith, Terri Clark and Kelly Prescott. Train is expected to arrive at 6:15 p.m. Come early for the events and parking.

Tri-Valley Opportunity Council, Inc. is offering rides to come to Plummer. \$2 for in town pickups and \$5 for out of town pickups. Call for reservation at 1-800-201-3432. Please bring a canned food item to donate!

Steve Stone speaks at Veterans Day in Oklee

By Madison Carlson

Steve Stone was the guest speaker for the Veteran's Day program at Red Lake County High School. Stone enlisted into the United States Army in January 1974. He became a First Class Sergeant. He completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training as a Data Telecommunications Specialist. He served in Germany, Maryland, Turkey and Norway. In 1983, Stone served in Indiana and New York as a Recruiter – Station Commander – Company and Battalion Trainer. He retired from the Army after 20 years of service and moved to Thief River Falls in 1994. In 2001 Stone became the Pennington County Veterans Service Officer where he continues to serve veterans.

Stone started off with a story about a Social Studies teacher who took out all the desks and told the class they couldn't sit in a desk until they explained how they earned the right to sit in a desk. No one could answer. Finally at the end of the day the teacher let in 27 U.S. veterans in uniform who set the desks back in their rows. The teacher said, "They paid the price so you can get a good education."

After the story he recognized those who have served who were in the audience.

Veterans whether they are



Oklee Veteran's Day program speaker was Steve Stone, Pennington County Veteran's Service Officer.

in service or out of the service still continue to help others. He explained how at the Las Vegas shooting a veteran helped the people.

Stone talked about how a soldier is forever changed while serving our country, going in as one person and coming out another. Veterans have sacrificed in many ways so others wouldn't have to. He shared how they may not only have physical wounds but also emotional scars.

When a veteran is told "Thank you for your service," it means more than any medal. "Our gratitude and respect for them must last forever."

Santa is Coming to area Towns!

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be stopping in Oklee on Saturday, December 2nd. The day begins at 9 am with the Salem WELCA Christmas Cookie Sale at the Community Hall in Oklee so be sure to stop in and pick up some cookies and other homemade goodies that are for sale, come early for best selection!

Then a sing-a-long with Sydney Melby will start at 10:00 am, be sure to bring the kids in to join her and get in the Christmas spirit! Adults one & all are encouraged to sing-a-long too.

Santa & Mrs Claus are expected to arrive at the Community Hall at 10:30 am. After visiting with Santa & Mrs Claus, treat bags from the Oklee Community Club will be handed out and there will be Arts & Crafts for the children

to do with Joni Bjerklie.

This year there will also be a Coloring Contest, pages are being sent home from school with the kids so look for those. Prizes for 1st & 2nd place of 3 different age groups will be awarded that day. Colored papers can be turned in at D&R Grocery in Oklee before Dec 2 or bring in on Saturday Dec 2nd before 10:30 am to the Community Hall. Be sure to fill out the name information on the papers before turning in.

There are other prizes (sleds, mittens) that will given away by the Oklee Community Club so be sure to sign up and stick around for those. Look for the table in the hall.

Goodies, Coffee & Cider will be served for all. Sponsored



by Oklee Community Club. Come and share in the holiday Christmas spirit, see you there!!

In Brooks: Santa Claus Day is coming to the Brooks Community Hall on December 3rd, and it starts at 4:30 pm. The meal will be at 5:00 pm. Door Prizes at 5:30 pm.

Santa Claus will visit at 6:00 pm. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy one of the highlights of the season.

American Legion Auxiliary celebrated American Education Week

Oklee Unit 159 of the American Legion Auxiliary recognized the commitment and dedication of the RLCC faculty and staff during American Education Week, November 13-17. ALA Unit 159 hosts an annual appreciation event, and on Wednesday, November 15th, the Auxiliary served cupcakes to faculty and staff at the Oklee School in recognition of everything those employees do to support and encourage our youth.

The American Legion Auxiliary released this history of American Education Week. The National Education Association was one of the creators and original sponsors of American Education Week. Distressed that 25 percent of the country's World War I draftees were illiterate and 9 percent were physically unfit, representatives of the

National Education Association (NEA) and the American Legion met in 1919 to seek ways to generate public support for education.

In 1921, the NEA Representative Assembly met in Des Moines, Iowa and called for designation of one week each year to spotlight education. The first observance of American Education Week occurred

December 4-10, 1921 with the NEA and the American Legion as cosponsors. A year later the U.S. Office of Education joined the effort as a cosponsor and the PTA followed in 1938. The American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary have been there since the beginning.

In recognition of American Education Week, American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 159, showed their appreciation for RLCC office staff, classroom support staff, janitors, lunch staff, bus drivers, counselors, and teachers in addition to any other school district employees who impact and encourage our youth.

American Education Week was recognized by the American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 159 Oklee by bringing treats to the RLCC faculty and staff to say Thank You!



Sign Making Fundraiser for Oklee Youth Group December 4th

On December 4th the Sign Making Fundraising event sponsored by *Bobbie's Basement* will take place 6:00 p.m. at the Oklee Community Hall.

You must pre-register by December 1st with sign choice and size to Bobbie at 218-280-9653 (call/text) or email bobbieraye12@gmail.com.

The boards will be 12 x 24 or 12 x 12 inches and color choices are black, white, walnut stain. Please refer to the numbers for the sign when registering. (See Below)

The cost of the sign is \$40 for a 12 x 24 and \$25 for a 12 x 12. Half of the proceeds will be donated to the Oklee Youth

Group to help fund their trip to Houston, Texas for the ELCA Youth Gathering next summer.

Free Will Taco in a Bag with all the fixings and beverage will also be available.

This is a fun family event and also a good fundraiser for the Oklee Youth Group.



The RLCC Junior High Choir performed the song "We Remember" at the November 10th Veteran's Day program in Oklee.

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH Zion and Salem Interim SAM Christy Klemz

Wed, Nov. 22: No Chime Choir. No Confirmation at Zion.
Sun, Nov. 26: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Zion. No SS at Salem or Zion. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Salem.

Mon, Nov. 27: 9:00 a.m. Quilting at Zion.

Wed, Nov. 29: 6:00 p.m. Chime Choir. 7:00 p.m. Confirmation at Zion.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF OKLEE, GRYGLA & GOODRIDGE

Fr. Adam Hammess

Sun, Nov. 26: 7:30 a.m. Confessions 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Francis Xavier, Oklee; 10:00 a.m. St. Ann Parish, Goodridge; 11:45 a.m. St. Clement Parish, Grygla.

BROOKS – RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH

Fr. Bob Schreiner

Sat, Nov. 25: 5:30 p.m. RLF
Sun, Nov. 26: 8:00 a.m. Brooks. 10:00 a.m. RLF.

IMMANUEL–EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH

ELCA

Pastor Jonathan Dodson

Wed, Nov. 22: 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Worship at Ebenezer.

Sun, Nov. 26: 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, Nov. 22: No Release Time.

Sun, Nov. 26: 8:30 a.m. Ekelund, 9:45 a.m. SS; 9:45 a.m. Faith, 11:00 a.m. SS; 11:00 a.m. Bethany, 9:45 a.m. SS.

Wed, Nov. 29: Release Time. 7:00 p.m. 9th Grade Confirmation at Faith.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH

Mt. Olive – Nazareth Oak Park – St. Petri Pastor Jeff Merseth

Wed, Nov. 22: Thanksgiving Service: 5:00 p.m. Mt. Olive. 7:00 p.m. Oak Park.

Thu, Nov. 23: Thanksgiving Service: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:30 a.m. Nazareth.

Sat, Nov. 25: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, Nov. 26: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri; 8:30 a.m. SS at Nazareth, 9:45 a.m. Nazareth; 9:45 a.m. Oak Park SS, 11:00 a.m. Oak Park.

Wed, Nov. 29: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH Josiah Hoagland, Pastor

Tyler Stynberg,

Youth Pastor

www.newjourneyfosston.com

Wed, Nov. 22: 6:00p.m. Alpha. 6:30 p.m. Awana.

Fri, Nov. 24: 6:00 p.m. Holy Yoga.

Sat, Nov. 25: 9:00 a.m. Holy Yoga.

Sun, Nov. 26: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:40 p.m. Sunday School.

Tue, Nov. 28: 9:30a.m. Ladies Bible study. 10:00 a.m. Quilting. 6:30p.m. Bible Study.

Wed, Nov. 29: 6:00 p.m. Alpha.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH

Bethany * Lund

Sand Valley

Dawn Hanson,

Lay Minister

Wed, Nov. 22: No Confirmation

Sun, Nov. 26: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley. 2:00 p.m. 9th Grade Confirmation.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY

Fosston

Seth Johnson,

Interim Pastor

Sun, Nov. 26: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial Update

Recently Greg Radniecki, Thief River Falls, purchased a granite block in support of the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial. The block recognizes the military service of Greg Radniecki's family including Dick, who served in WW II, Greg, who served during the Viet Nam Era, and Jay, who served in Desert Storm. Larry and Jeanie O'Neill, Oklee, made a contribution in memory of Jerome Default, formerly of Oklee. Mr. Dufault served in the United States Air Force. A donation was received from Iona Berry of Oklee in memory of Alan Woods, who also lived in Oklee.

Donations to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial are used for perpetual care for the Memorial. The donations may be sent to Security State Bank, Box 69, Oklee, MN 56742, Attn: Lori Melby.

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- * Door prizes (sleds, mittens) from the Oklee Community Club
- * Goodies, Coffee & Cider will be served for all
- * Sponsored by Oklee Community Club

Come and share in the holiday Christmas spirit, SEE YOU THERE!!

Christmas Cookie Sale

IT'S TIME FOR THE ANNUAL
**Salem Church
Christmas Cookie
Sale Fundraiser**

Cookies, lefse & variety of holiday goodies available
\$4.00 a doz.

Sat., December 2nd
9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

**Oklee
Community Hall
during Santa Claus Day**

Thank You! "Thank you to the community for the support displayed at our Hunter's Brunch. Also thanks to the city of Oklee for the use of the hall. We appreciate your generosity and look forward to representing our fine community at the youth gathering in Houston next summer."
— Oklee Lutheran Youth Group

SPECIAL AGRICULTURAL HOMESTEAD

The special Agricultural Homestead Provision was created to extend homestead status (which can result in lower property taxes) to those property owners, or their sons and daughters, who actively farm the land. The 1999 Minnesota legislation passed legislation that extended the homestead classification to certain farmland that is not immediately adjacent to an owner's place of residence. The 2000 legislation also extended the homestead to members of a family farm corporation, joint farm venture, limited liability company or partnership. The legislation provides for homestead or non-contiguous farmland under the following conditions:

Agricultural property consisting of at least 40 acres shall be classified homestead to the same extent as other agricultural property, if all the following criteria are met:

- 1- the owner, or the owner's spouse, or a son or daughter of the owner or owner's spouse either on the person's own behalf as an individual or on behalf of a qualified entity in which they are a partner, shareholder or member actively farms the agricultural property;
- 2- the owner of an agricultural property is a MN resident;
- 3- neither the owner or their spouse may claim another agricultural homestead in MN;
- 4- the owner does not live farther than four townships or cities, or a combination of four townships or cities, from the agricultural property; and
- 5- be listed as a farmer/operator by the Farm Service Agency (Form 156 EZ)
- 6- file a Schedule F with their federal income tax return.

The following definition constitutes "actively farming". Persons engaged in actively farming must participate in the day-to-day labor, administration, and management of the farm. They must assume all or a portion of the financial risks and they must participate in any profits and losses.

Additionally:

- The farmland must be a minimum of 40 acres in size and;
- The farmland must meet the definition of agricultural property contained in MN Statutes 273.124, Subd. 14(b)
- Land enrolled in CRP or RIM do not qualify for the homestead classification, it will continue to be classified as agricultural.

This special homestead provision is only available to qualified individuals that make application by the filing deadline of December 15. To find out how to apply for the special agricultural homestead and receive the proper application form contact:

RED LAKE COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE
PO BOX 458, RED LAKE FALLS, MN 56750 (218) 253-2596

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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.

Just a reminder to patrons to stop in the library on Saturday, December 2 for the pre-Christmas Open House with refreshments, holiday movies & popcorn in the kids' room, and an opportunity to DIY perfume from fragrance

oils and take home a small sample; and come back on Friday, December 8 at 2:00 pm when Christian fiction author Michelle Griep, Minnesota resident, will be here to discuss her new book "12 Days at Bleakly Manor" and talk about Victorian Christmas traditions. She will bring along a sampling of Victorian Christmas treats to share.

Future Legacy programs will provide a Winter Concert Series at the RLF Library with a concert performed in each of the months of January, February and March. Watch for upcoming information on the "Hot Tunes for Cold Nights" winter concert series, only in the Red Lake Falls branch of NWRL!



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IMPORTANT PROPERTY TAX HOMESTEAD NOTICE

This will affect your 2018 property taxes and eligibility for Property Tax Refund.

Have you purchased or moved into a property in the past year?
Contact your county assessor to file a homestead application if you or a qualifying relative occupy the property as a homestead on or before December 1, 2017.

What is a qualifying relative?

For agricultural property, a qualifying relative includes the child, grandchild, sibling, or parent of the owner or owner's spouse. For residential property a qualifying relative also includes the owner's uncle, aunt, nephew, or niece.

When do I apply?

You must apply on or before December 15, 2017.

Once homestead is granted, annual applications are not necessary unless they are requested by the county assessor.

Contact the assessor by December 15, 2017 if the use of the property you own or occupy as a qualifying relative has changed during the past year.

If you sell, move, or for any reason no longer qualify for the homestead classification, you are required to notify the county assessor within 30 days of the change in homestead status.

Red Lake County Assessor's Office 218-253-2596

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Oklee Senior Site Dining

Nov. 27 – Dec. 1
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: ½ BLT, coleslaw, hash browns, and dessert.

Tuesday: Liver & onions, boiled potatoes, vegetables, and dessert.

Wednesday: Hamburger patty, stuffed baked potato (broccoli & cheese), toast, and dessert.

Thursday: Chicken drummies, hash browns, vegetables, and dessert.

Friday: Grilled cheese, chili, cottage cheese, and dessert.

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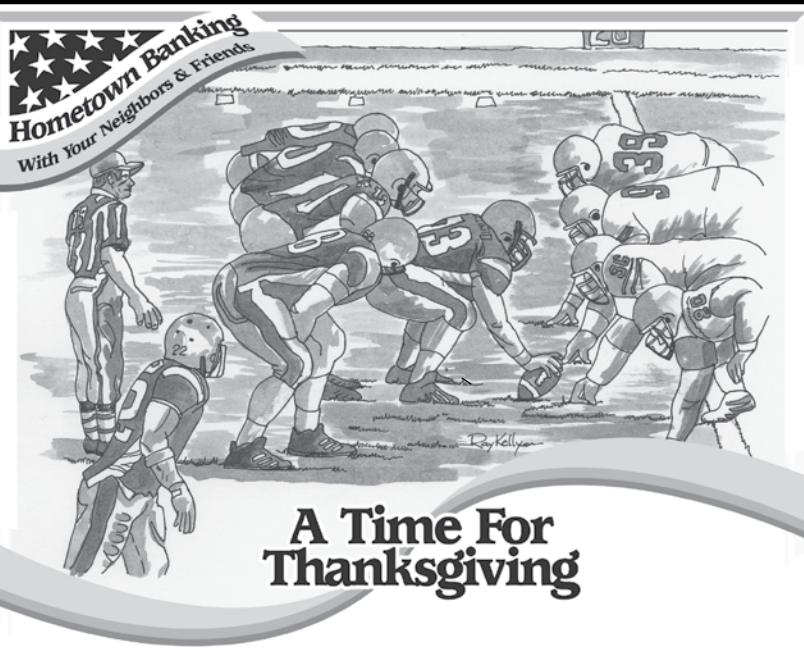
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A Time For Thanksgiving

On December 13, 1621, the Pilgrims declared a three day feast to thank God for a bountiful harvest and celebrate with their Indian friends.

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High." -Psalm 92:1

In the United States we have so much to be thankful for. We wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving.

The bank will be CLOSED on Thurs., Nov. 23 in observance of Thanksgiving.

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

Centennial Recipe Corner

Scalloped Carrots Sandra Tougas Ione Nelson

4 cups sliced or diced fresh carrots
1 medium onion
3 Tbsp butter
1 can cream of celery soup
pepper (to taste)
1/2 cup diced cheese
3 cups herb or plain croutons
1/2 cup melted butter
1/2 tsp salt



Cook carrots in boiling salted water until crisp and tender. (May use canned carrots instead). Sauté onions in butter and combine carrots, soup, salt, pepper and cheese. Put in baking dish or crock pot. Toss croutons with butter and place on top of carrots. Bake in 350 degree oven until completely heated and topping is brown, about 30 minutes.



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RLCC Menus

Nov. 27 – Dec. 1

Oklee

Monday: Breakfast: Biscuits & gravy, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken fajita, whole grain rice, refried beans, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Pulled pork or BBQ chicken, baked beans, fruit, chips, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken strips, dipping sauce, scalloped potatoes, vegetables, fruit, Gold Fish, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Waffles, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Cheesy bread with pizza sauce, lettuce salad, fresh vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Meat sandwich, soup, crackers, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Monday: Breakfast: Eggs, ham, toast, PB or jelly, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Pork riblet spudsters, baked scalloped corn, tea roll, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cinnamon streusel coffee cake, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: French toast sticks, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Cheese French bread, salad, tomatoes, carrots, fruit, cupcake, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hot dog w/bun, baked beans, Smiles potatoes, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Egg wrap, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, bread, fruit, and milk.

RLCC Sports Schedules

Rebel Boys

Basketball

Sat, Nov. 25: Jamboree in Clearbrook TBD.

Mon, Dec. 4: NCTC Tourney – TRF – TBD.

Tue, Dec. 5: NCTC Tourney – TRF – TBD.

Thu, Dec. 7: NCTC Tourney – TRF – TBD.

Thu, Dec. 14: BGMR at Plummer 6:00 p.m.

Fri, Dec. 15: Stephen-Argyle at Red Lake Falls 6:00 p.m.

Tue, Dec. 19: Climax-Fisher at Fisher 6:00 p.m.

Thu, Dec. 21: Waubun at Mahnomen 6:00 p.m.

Fri, Dec. 29: Goodridge-Grygla at Plummer 6:00 p.m.

Tue, Jan. 2: East Grand Forks at EGF 6:00 p.m.

Lady Mustang

Basketball

Thu, Nov. 30: Climax-Fisher at Fisher 6:00 p.m.

Fri, Dec. 1: Blackduck at Oklee 6:00 p.m.

Thu, Dec. 7: BGMR at BGMR 6:00 p.m.

Tue, Dec. 12: TBD at NCTC – TRF - TBD.

Thu, Dec. 14: TBD at NCTC – TRF - TBD.

Fri, Dec. 15: TBD at NCTC – TRF - TBD.

Mon, Dec. 18: Fosston at Oklee 6:00 p.m.

Thu, Dec. 21: Mahnomen at Plummer 6:00 p.m.

Tue, Jan. 2: Goodridge-Grygla at Goodridge 6:00 p.m.

Thu, Jan. 4: Red Lake at Oklee 6:00 p.m.

Sat, Jan. 6: Stephen-Argyle at Stephen 1:00 p.m.

Mustang Wrestling

Sat, Dec. 2: Fosston Tournament at Fosston 11:30 a.m.

Sat, Dec. 9: Crookston Tourney at Crookston 11:30 a.m.

Mon, Dec. 18: Crookston JV Tourney at Crookston 5:30 p.m.

Tue, Dec. 19: Crookston/Fosston Triangular at Crookston 5:00 p.m.

Thu, Jan. 4: Mayport/Roseau Tri at Roseau 5 p.m.

Fri, Jan. 5: Mahnomen/Waubun Dual Team at Mahnomen 4:00 p.m.

Tue, Jan. 16: Mahnomen LP Tri (Parents Night) at Oklee. 5:00 p.m.

Oklee Veterans

Day Program

By: Aiydin Lanco

On November 10, the Red Lake County Central High School along with the American Legion had a Veterans Day program to pay tribute to the Veterans.

Rick Dulka, commander of Frank Lund Post #159 gave the welcome and was MC for the program. The American Legion members (Don Brown, Vincent Dessellier, Jan Dulka, Einar Kvasager, John Lerohl, and John Lessard) carried the flags at the start of the program while the RLCC Senior High Band played the “Star Spangled Banner.”

The RLCC band played also “Patriot Dreams” by Andrew Balent. Minnesota Association of Honor Societies member (MAHS) Sydney Melby read a poem “A Special Thanks to Our Veterans.”

The RLCC Junior High Choir sang “We Remember” by Mac Huff and John Jacobson. The guest speaker was Steve Stone, a Pennington County Veteran’s Service Officer.

MAHS member Erin Jones read a poem, “Veterans.” Taps was played by Matt Vettleson during the moment of silence to pay our respect to our veterans.

Class of 2017

Scholarship

Winners Take Note

Notice to recipients of scholarship announced last spring at Red Lake County Central HS: In order for you to be awarded the money, you need to send a copy of your first semester grades and proof of registration for classes for second semester. Send to the organization who chose you for the scholarship. A list was given out last spring.

Scholarships that the school holds the money for are: RLCC Community Service Scholarship, Red Lake Electric Scholarship, Tim and Donna Swenson Scholarship, Vincent and Shirley Dessellier Scholarship, and Lorna Wicks Scholarship. Submit these to: Bonnie Cote, RLCC High School, PO Box 100, Oklee MN.

Thanksgiving

Break at RLCC

By Grace Gieseke

There is no school Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24 at Red Lake County Central High School and Elementary School due to Thanksgiving break. School will resume Monday, November 27.

RLCC staff and students wish you a happy and safe Thanksgiving holiday!



Winter Sports

Season at RLCC

By: Hannah Riendeau

The winter sports season at Red Lake County Central has begun. The Lady Mustang varsity basketball program began practice Monday, November 13th. They are coached by Mark Bagaason and Mitch Bernstein. Their first game will be Thursday, November 30th against Climax-Fisher in Fisher at 6:00 pm.

The Red Lake County Rebels Boys Basketball team began their practice Monday, November 20th. Coaches Steve Philon and Randy Huie will lead the team, with their first jamboree in Clearbrook on Saturday, November 25th. They will participate in the NCTC Tourney on Monday, December 4th, Tuesday, December 5th, and Thursday, December 7th.

Mustangs wrestling practice started on Monday, November 20th. The coaches for wrestling are Kyle Dudycha and Travis Larson. Their first meet is Saturday, December 2nd in Fosston at 11:30 am.



The Mustang volleyball letter winners were: (top) Katelyn Suchy, Sarah Christensen, Julia Bernstein, Tanisha Srnsky, Jenna Pahlen, Sydnie Gunderson, Calyssa Eskeli, Kia Bachand, (bottom) Jayden Iverson, Sidney Olson, Billie Gryskiewicz, Hannah Kolstoe, and Megan Smith.

Mustang volleyball holds awards night

By: David Clifton

The awards night for Red Lake County Central Mustangs volleyball was held Monday, November 13th in Oklee. Many awards were given out that evening. Also the team honored their long time coach Nancy Bray who ended her term as head coach.

Letter winners were Kia Bachand, Katelyn Suchy, Jayden Iverson, Jenna Pahlen, Sidney Olson, Tanisha Srnsky, Calyssa Eskeli, Julia Bernstein, Sydnie Gunderson, Sarah Christensen, Billie Gryskiewicz, Megan Smith and Hannah Kolstoe.

Special volleyball team awards were presented to the athletes. The awards and recipients included the following:

Server: Hannah Kolstoe (136/142 missing only 6 serves)

Passer: Calyssa Eskeli

Setter: Hannah Kolstoe and Calyssa Eskeli

Hitter: Julia Bernstein and Jenna Pahlen

Blocker: Julia Bernstein

Digger and Hustle: Sydnie Gunderson

Most Valuable: Julia Bernstein and Jenna Pahlen

Most Improved: Jenna Pahlen

Most Dedicated: Billie Gryskiewicz and Megan Smith

All State Academic: Hannah Kolstoe

All Conference: Julia Bernstein and Jenna Pahlen

All Conference Honorable Mention: Calyssa Eskeli and Hannah Kolstoe

Coach Bray was also recognized for her dedication and service to the Mustang volleyball program. She coached for 36 years, 25 years as head coach. Coach Bray commented she coached a “great bunch of young ladies. I would like to say thank you for all the years and the gifts.”



RLCC special team volleyball awards were presented to (top) Julia Bernstein, Sydnie Gunderson, Calyssa Eskeli, (bottom) Billie Gryskiewicz, Hannah Kolstoe, Jenna Pahlen, and Megan Smith. Also RLCC Polar All Conference and Honorable Mention awards went to Hannah Kolstoe, Julia Bernstein, Jenna Pahlen, and Calyssa Eskeli.



Hannah Kolstoe received the Academic All State Award for volleyball.



RLCC volleyball coach Nancy Bray with this year's senior volleyball players: Billie Gryskiewicz, Hannah Kolstoe, and Megan Smith.



A plaque was presented to Mustang Volleyball Coach Nancy Bray for 36 years as an assistant or head coach. She became head coach in 1992.



Oklee Herald Early Files

Seventy Years Ago November 20, 1947

The Rev. J. M. Runestad, formerly of Badger was officially installed as pastor of the Oklee Lutheran Parish at special services in Zion Church here Sunday.

Nere Nelson, early resident died on Saturday. He was born in Norway on 1891 and immigrated with his parents to America in 1892, moving to Equality Township in 1897 and the family took up a homestead.

Mrs. Casimir Radniecki and daughter Mary Ann are spending the weekend at her father's place, Pete Stromberg, of Thief River Falls.

Sixty Years Ago November 21, 1957

School Carnival slated to be held Tuesday at Oklee School with the theme being "Vaudeville Days."

Plummer senior class presents their three act comedy, "If Mother Only Knew" on Friday and Saturday.

Miss Arlene Genereux was the honored guest Sunday afternoon at a bridal shower in the St. Joseph's church parlors.

Ada Torstenson was honored at a handkerchief party Thursday evening by members of the VFW Auxiliary.

Minneapolis writer speculates: "Is Coya Target of Both GOP and DFL?"

Fifty Years Ago November 23, 1967

Donald Asselin of the US Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Asselin of Oklee, is a member of the crew aboard the USS Hissem, which responded to a distress call at sea and aided in the rescue of 53 persons as the vessel San Jose, caught fire.

Sp/4 David Dessellier

arrived at Fort Lewis, WA by air Wednesday, Nov. 15 from Viet Nam. David will be heading back to Oklee soon to see his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Dessellier.

The Rev. Herbert Larson, pastor of the Clearwater Parish, has resigned his position in order to accept a call to serve the Redeemer Lutheran Church of New Hampton and the Trinity Lutheran Church of Calmar, Iowa. They will be moving in January.

Three bears strung up were part of the quarry brought home from what was also a successful deer hunt. The group of hunters included Robert Holm, Chuck Pahlen, Jim Pahlen, Mike Pahlen, Gaylen Swanson, Albert Aaknes, Carl Hilstad, George Dessellier, Andrew Holm, and Arnold Person.

Forty Years Ago November 24, 1977

The Oklee Bobcats opened their 77-78 basketball season last Thursday, to take on the Grygla Eagles, winning 65-64.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Delage are the proud parents of a son born to them November 10th at St. John's Hospital in Red Lake Falls.

A 1.5 million telephone upgrading project is near completion for Garden Valley and all subscribers in the Goodridge, Gully, Oklee and Winger exchanges will change their phone numbers on December 6th.

Thirty Years Ago November 25, 1987

City of Oklee will look into forming a committee to find a dentist for the community. Jim Dulka resigned from

the Oklee School Board and the resignation was accepted with regret.

Mark Allen Sletto was honored by being selected for inclusion in the 1987 edition of Outstanding Young Men of America.

"The Little House" has come to Oklee as a new business. Bob and Emily Bernier are the owners and furniture for the home is what they are selling.

Twenty Years Ago November 26, 1997

Co-Captains of the RLCC Mustang Girls Basketball team were Katie O'Neill and Angie Chervestad. RLCC Mustang Wrestling Co-Captains were Travis Larson and Kyle Jensen.

Interns from the Ukraine were visitors at Otter Tail Power Company for the purpose of gaining business knowledge.

Tom Lano was highlighted in the Tri County Canary section and the North Country Voice of Radio Sports.

Ten Years Ago November 21, 2007

Veterans honored at RLCC Elementary School were Tyler Larson along with the oldest Veteran in attendance, Floyd Hesse.

Scandinavian Day was held at Zion Lutheran Church with many great treats to chose from – lefse, rommegrot, rice pudding, and flat brod.

Seniors celebrating their birthdays were Irene Hince, Therese Radniecki, Iona Berry and Leona Brekke (89 years old).

Marissa Thomas is happy to announce the birth of her new little brother, Gavin Peter Carl Thomas.

News and Views

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Weeds Commonly Found in Drylots

Laminitis (or founder) is a devastating, painful condition for horses leading to losses in performance, increased veterinary costs, and even death. Diets high in nonstructural carbohydrates are a known trigger for laminitis. Horses that are easy keepers, or overweight, are also at a greater risk of developing laminitis and tend to be classified as having equine metabolic syndrome. Some of the most effective management tools for horses prone to laminitis are to limit their nonstructural carbohydrate intake by testing forage for nonstructural carbohydrate content, restricting amounts of feed to encourage weight loss, and confining to dry lots (i.e. dirt paddocks) in order to avoid access to pasture grasses that are commonly high in nonstructural carbohydrates and digestible energy (i.e. calories).

Researchers have recommended a total diet (i.e. hay, grain, supplements, treats) of less than 12% nonstructural carbohydrates for horses diagnosed with laminitis or equine metabolic syndrome. However, recent reports from horse owners indicate horses housed on dry lots are still experiencing recurring bouts of laminitis,

despite being fed a low nonstructural carbohydrate diet. Weeds that commonly grow in dry lots may be both palatable to horses and high in nonstructural carbohydrates; therefore, capable of triggering a laminitis episode. The objective of this research, conducted at the Univ. of Minn., was to determine nonstructural carbohydrate content of weeds commonly found in dry lots housing horses or ponies with a history of laminitis.

During the summer of 2013, 10 farms in Minnesota and Wisconsin were visited three times (spring, summer and fall), and up to four weeds growing in dry lots housing laminitic horses or ponies were collected. Samples were sent to a forage testing laboratory and analyzed.

Twenty-seven different weed species were collected. The 6 most common weed species included prostrate knotweed, plantain, redroot pigweed, common ragweed, cinquefoil, and purslane. The average nonstructural carbohydrate content of the weed species varied with plantain have the highest and prostrate knotweed the lowest. There were no differences in nonstructural carbohydrate content within weed species

across farms; however, nonstructural carbohydrate content was higher during the fall. It is common for plants to have higher nonstructural carbohydrate contents in the fall due to weather conditions. Most plants continually produce nonstructural carbohydrates during the day and utilize them at night. However, plants essential shut down during cool nights and therefore do not utilize nonstructural carbohydrates which contribute to higher levels commonly observed in the fall.

The average nonstructural carbohydrate content of plantain, cinquefoil and ragweed was greater than the maximum 12% total diet recommendation for horses diagnosed with laminitis or equine metabolic syndrome. However, the maximum amount of nonstructural carbohydrate content exceeded this recommendation for all weed species. Nutritive analysis of other components indicated the weeds would be palatable to most horses, especially ones housed in a dry lot on a restricted diet (i.e. horses who might feel hungry). All weed species were relatively low in structural carbohydrate components and high in crude protein. Combined, these results have proven to increase palatability; therefore, it is not surprising the horses consumed the weeds. Although this research did not directly link the ingestion of weeds to laminitis, the wide range of nonstructural carbohydrate content within the weed species suggests horse owners should control weeds in dry lots, especially if used to house laminitic horses and ponies.

This project was sponsored by a grant from the Minnesota Horse Council. Authors: D. Gunder and K. Martinson, PhD, Univ. of Minn. and J. Wilson, DVM, MN Board of Vet Med.

STORY TO SHARE!

If you have a story or photos you want to share, please send to: okleeherald@gmail.com

Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteer Iona Berry

It's Monday morning and I'm typing the news. I did so many things yesterday, I decided to wait until today to do it.

I was to Leona Brekke's 90th birthday party on Saturday. We were treated to a nice lunch and afterwards, we visited in her apartment. It is such a nice place to visit. She showed us some of her items she makes. It is amazing how much she is able to make. Others who came there from Oklee were Eleanore Christianson, Lucy Christianson, and Ione Nelson. Everyone who resides at Mac Manor took part in the celebration.

It was very sad to hear of the bad accident that happened near Plummer. I knew both girls as they had graduated from Oklee School when I was employed there.

Today is supposed to be a nice day and the week doesn't seem to be too bad either. I hope everyone who has plans for Thanksgiving, will be able to make your destination.

Last week a trucker came to load some supplies for Donald. He had been at California and he had some pomegranates with him. He gave both Don and I some. I hadn't tasted one

for many years as I rarely see them in stores around here. They are an unusual fruit.

This week the Senior Site will be kind of quiet as we will be closed for Thanksgiving on Thursday. I don't believe the Cafe will be open for the rest of the week, so that would mean we will be closed also.

Dates to Remember
Nov. 23: Thanksgiving Day.
Dec. 2: Santa Day at the Hall.
Dec. 15: Birthday Meal.
Dec. 19: Evening Meal at Cafe.

Words of Wisdom
Never allow the threat of a confrontation to water down an absolute value.

Don't do for your children what they can do for themselves.

Joke Time

What did the Norwegian do with the Gold Medal he won at the Olympics?

He was so proud of it, he had it bronzed.

The little Norwegian boy gleefully reported to the dad after his first day at school. "What do you like best?" asked the Dad.

"I like Gozinta the best."

said the little one. "Gozita?" exclaimed the father? "What in the world is 'Gozinta'?"

"Vell," said the youngster...."like 2 gozinta 4, 4 gozinta 3 and like that."

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Brooks - Terrebonne News

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A week of ups and downs in temperatures. Windy one day and still the next. I guess we are in for this weather again this week. It is okay though as long as we navigate around the major snows and storms.

A big hole was blown in our communities this past week. Emily Skjervén and Carol Gerardy of Plummer were on their way to join the Red Hats in Brooks, when they were hit by a train leaving Carol's driveway. Both were killed and we all mourn their loss. They were friends for many years, and traveled together for years. This week we will mourn their loss at the funerals and then have Thanksgiving on Thursday. We can be thankful that we had these two beautiful women in our lives.

Things we have to look forward to are concerts. There will be a concert of grades K through grade 3 at Plummer at 2:00 pm on December 15th. These kids sing their heart out and give great performances.

There is another concert at Plummer for the High School Choir at 2:00 pm on December 20th. Another highlight of the Christmas season.

The Holiday Train will be going to Plummer on December 12, at 6:00 pm. They collect food to be donated to the food

shelves in the area. They would not stop if it weren't for the food that is collected. The stars that are performing that night are Terri Clark, Dallas Smith, and Kelly Prescott. This is such a beautiful highlight of the Christmas season and the Canadian Pacific is so gracious to sponsor this train. I love to see the train going through the countryside all lit up, and a sight to behold. Modern technology has become a beautiful sight.

Oklee Quilting has an event on December 2, from 9 am to 1 pm. Vendors will be there and there will be Christmas Specials. Fall and Christmas decor will be 25% off, and you can register for a sewing machine carrier on Dec 2.

The Red Hats met in Brooks on Wednesday and nine ladies joined us. Letty Haire, Mary Schindler, Mickey Duden, Wilma Arlt, Anna De Hate, Jeanine Pahlen, Alice Jobe, Elinor Olson, and Barb Novak enjoyed a meal and fellowship together. Letty Haire won the quarter Pot. It was decided that we would be meeting again on December 13th for a special Christmas meeting. There will be door prizes that day. We will meet at 11:00 at the Cozy in Brooks.

One last thing to note in

upcoming events. Santa Claus Day is coming to the Brooks Community Hall. It will be on December 3rd, and it starts at 4:30 pm. The meal will be at 5:00 pm. Door Prizes at 5:30 pm. And Santa Claus will visit at 6:00 pm. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy one of the highlights of the season.

On Saturday, Jerome and Barb Novak went to a benefit for Sue Vanyo who is battling breast cancer that has spread throughout her body. She has been in treatment since June. She is a cousin of Jerome.

Walter Novak, Carly and Adam Reese, and Carson and Carter went to East Grand Forks, at Sacred Heart High School, to the benefit for Sue Vanyo, Walter's cousin. There was a spaghetti supper and many items on the silent auction. It was held on Saturday.

It looks to be very busy this coming month but make sure you don't try to get everything done at once, space out the chores. Enjoy the events as they come and keep in mind that even at Christmas you have to use the KISS theory. That is Keep It Simple Stupid, and everything will turn out fine. That way you get to enjoy your family too. Have a great week.

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe
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Jenny and Logan Wallace and kids of Killdeer, ND spent the weekend with Roger and Lynn Gallant. Logan and the girls went deer hunting.

Don Fox got a 4 point buck late Sunday afternoon.

Amanda and Sean Rolfe and children of Delano, MN came for the weekend to Arnie and Barb Schmitz's.

Pat and Chuck Simpson were hunting in Colorado – maybe mule deer recently.

Alice Jobe went to her sister's home on Monday, the thirteenth for her sister's 70th birthday. Phyllis Unruh lives south of Warroad. Her daughter Stacy Losse of Glendale, AZ was visiting also. So that was fun to see her. Also my brother Gerald stopped by after work to visit. He brought a box of chocolates. They had cake and ice cream. It was a fun visit. The snow was pretty deep at that time in the

woods. But has since melted a lot because of temps.

Plummer Senior Citizens met on Thursday with six present. Glenyce has Wellness sheets to pass out from Board of Aging on eating property and preventing injuries around the home.

On Wednesday the Red Hats met at the Cozy. Letty was a new comer to the group. BBQ riblets and roast beef dinner were the specials. Brownies and a scoop of ice cream was the dessert.

This week we lost most of the snow so that is different. But the wind was cold out of the south on Thursday (today).

The Plummer community was deeply saddened on Wednesday morning with the news of a car/train accident that too the lives of Carol Gerardy and Emilie Skjervén.

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat

This week's photo is of two gentlemen from the area and should be familiar.

Last week's photo was of three youngsters from Oklee. They are Barry &

Alan Jensen and Mary (Cyr) Allton.

Everyone has a photo or two that would be great for this column. Please share them with our readers.

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