

Oklee Precipitation
By Einar Kvasager

	Rain	Snow
April 10		Trace
April 11		Trace
April 12		1.50
Total in.	0.00	1.50

Oklee Herald

...AND CONTINUING THE PLUMMER PIONEER

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Wednesday, April 18, 2018



Together RLCC's Junior and Senior High choirs sang "Hakuna Matata" at the spring concert held on April 5th.

Calendar of Events

Wed, Apr. 18:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

Thu, Apr. 19:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.

Fri, Apr. 20:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.

Sat, Apr. 21:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!

Sun, Apr. 22:
-Worship at the church of your choice.

Mon, Apr. 23:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

Tue, Apr. 24:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards

Wed, Apr. 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, Apr. 26:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.

Fri, Apr. 27:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.

Sat, Apr. 28:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!

Sun, Apr. 29:
-Worship at the church of your choice.

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

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

Wed, May 2:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

Thu, May 3:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.

Fri, May 4:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.

Sat, May 5:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!

Sun, May 6:
-Worship at the church of your choice.

Mon, May 7:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

Tue, May 8:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards.

Wed, May 9:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

Thu, May 10:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.

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



The combined bands playing "The Little Mermaid" during the RLCC Spring Concern.

Commissioners approved RLF Grant resolution on April 10th

On April 10th, all commissioners being present held their Commissioner meeting.

Angie Lundeen, Human Resources, was asked to be added to the agenda. The agenda was approved with the addition.

Bills were looked at and approved with a motion by Commissioner John Lerohl, seconded by Commissioner Chuck Simpson, carried. Auditor Bob Schmitz presented two additional bills for training sessions held in the county. This was for refreshments during the training sessions which is not typically allowed and needs a special approval. Lerohl made a motion to approve with Commissioner Anthony "Chuck" Flage making the second. Approved.

The Red Lake County Soil, Water and Conservation District (RLC SWCD) requested a resolution be made for a BWSR requirement on a resolution adopted on June 12, 2017 by the RLC SWCD. Commissioner Ron Weiss made the motion, seconded by Flage, carried.

The minutes from the last meeting were approved with a motion by Lerohl, seconded by Simpson, carried.

Barry Glienke from Bolton Menk, Inc. and Red Lake Falls Mayor Allen Bertilrud came before the commissioners, asking the county to be the agent for the LRIP Grant (Local Road Improvement Program) for the City of Red Lake Falls.

RLF has a project to do utility work and road work and have received a loan from the Clean Water act and a grant from the MNDOT LRIP grant plus some city funds for this project. In order to receive the LRIP monies, the county has to be the agent for the City of Red Lake Falls. The project is expected to come in around 7.5 million and will affect a number of households during the project.

There were some concern from County Engineer Corky Kleven with the utility work and the time line the City of Red Lake Falls has in place. Kleven recommended that the City not tar the streets right away and let them settle over winter to compact before finishing. He also had concerns about signing off on the plans as he had not gotten the Engineers Estimates of the plan yet. Glienke said he would have the Engineers Estimate by the end of the day.

The sewer system in RLF is in serious need of replacement and probably should have been done 30 years ago, according to Bertilrud.

Red Lake Falls needs the County Commissioners to agree to be the LRIP Grant agent for the City of Red Lake Falls. The expenses up to the amount of the grant that will be used for the projects. After some discussion and a explanation of the plan and the fact there is no liability to the county, the County Commissioners agreed to be the agent with a motion by Weiss and seconded by Lerohl, carried.

Committee reports were given. Simpson had none to report. Weiss had attended the Tri County Community Corrections (TCCC) meeting with Commissioner Dave Sorensen and they reported there were 13 new admits for Red Lake County, with 6 in jail, no RLC juveniles at this time and the per-diem paid from other counties use of TCCC is down. Other items discussed at their meeting was that the probation offices in East Grand Forks will be moving to a new location soon and visitation of inmates will have additional modes of visiting with video calls at \$5.95 for a 20 minute visit being set up. TCCC is also finding it hard to find a psychologist. And Polk County has started transporting juveniles with their vehicles for a fee to their court appointments, which the other counties using the juvenile system in Red Lake County are pleased about.

Flage had attended the RLC SWCD meeting and learned about the projects planned for the summer, the Long Lake sponsorship for two students to attend and reported that RLCC School sends three teams to the Environthon at Rydell, and Red Lake Falls doesn't send anyone.

Lerohl had attended a NW Regional Commission meeting and that they have hired a new accountant.

Catherine Johnson from Inter County Community Council had given Lerohl a copy of the annual ICCC report.

Lerohl also reported that a Letter to the Editor had been sent to newspapers regarding the Enbridge issue and that he heard that Enbridge hasn't gone to court yet on the issue. Neil Ilies from Clearbrook getting a meeting with the governor or chief of staff and asked if Lerohl could go and he said yes, he should be able to, but if not, someone from the county board will be there. Also, Line 3 is pumping less and the effects are that refineries are short product and prices at the pump are going up due to this. Sorensen reported that he

had attended meetings that discussed broadband issues, stating that Red Lake County is lucky compared to other counties and sale of land to Dept. of Natural Resources and PILT payments.

Angie Lundeen had two items to discuss with the Commissioners. First was concerns that the County Attorney, Mike LaCoursiere had about the office he is in causing issues with his allergies and that he would no longer be attending any commissioners meetings but will answer any concerns and research issues they need to have answered.

Second item has to do with Union Employees and the issue will be discussed during negotiations.

Meeting was adjourned. Next meeting April 24th at 10 a.m. in the Courthouse, Commissioners meeting room.



Steve Linder re-elected to Square Butte Board

GRAND FORKS, N.D. – Steve Linder, Oklee, Minn., was re-elected to the board of directors of Square Butte Electric Cooperative at the cooperative's annual meeting held April 6, 2018.

Linder represents Red Lake Electric Cooperative, Red Lake Falls, Minn., on the 11-member Square Butte board.

Square Butte is a generation and transmission cooperative that sells wholesale power to Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc., Grand Forks, and Minnesota Power, Duluth, Minn. Square Butte and Minnkota share common management and are owned by the same 11 electric cooperatives in eastern North Dakota and northwestern Minnesota.



Sydney Melby singing "Wishing You Were Somewhere Here Again" at the RLCC Spring Concert.



At the RLCC Spring Concert David Clifton sang "Old Dan Tucker" to start the night off.

Red Lake County Co-op Annual Meeting

Red Lake County Coop held its Annual Meeting on Wednesday April 11th. The meeting was held at the Brooks Community Center. A breakfast of pancakes, sausage and eggs was served by the employees at 8:30AM with the meeting following at 9:30AM.

Chairman Todd Wieland called the meeting to order. Secretary Chuck Flage read Proof of Notice and previous year's minutes.

The Audit Report was read by Scott Stephens CPA with Hennen and Associates. Total sales for 2017 were \$19,219,365 less Cost of Sales of \$15,144,052 leaves a Gross Margin of \$4,075,313. The company ended the Fiscal Year with a Local Net Savings of \$467,354. Patronage received was \$40,275 leaving a Net Savings before taxes of \$507,629.

Chairman Todd Wieland presented the board activity report for this past year commenting on fixed asset purchases and items discussed throughout the year. Chairman Todd informed the patrons that fixed assets were kept at a minimum with the larger stock retirement dollars that needed to be paid out along with not receiving any CHS dividends.

General Manager Michele Longtin introduced the employees of the coop. Michele spoke about the changes that have taken place over the past years and the success of the company. Michele informed the patrons on distribution of stock this

past year. Dividend total paid on 2017 purchases was \$340,000 with 40% or \$139,000 in cash patronage. Stock Retirement at age 72 was a total of \$184,300. Estates paid was \$69,300 and Revolving Stock from years 1975-1978 was paid out totaling \$52,000. Michele commented on the new Bio Diesel Mandate this year along with going over a review of departments. Michele also informed the patrons on the new 12 month Budget Program that is in place for propane and fuel oil heating customers. The co-op had another successful year thanks to a great team of employees, direction from our board and loyal patrons.

Election of directors was held with David Kiecker elected for a three year term. David is taking over the at large position that was held by Lauris Kiecker for the past 21 years. Chairman Todd Wieland thanked Lauris for his years of service.

There was no old business. Under new business the question was brought up if the Coop would consider putting in a car wash at the Brooks C-Store.

Door prizes were won by Glenyce Eskeli, Leo Schmitz, Bud Kiecker, Carol Kvasager, Chester Camp, JoAnn Hamm, Nick Knott, Mark LaCrosse, Orlan Stolaas, Sid Finseth, Jeff Klaven, Jim Knott, Chuck Flage, Ogden Farder, Bernie Steinkopf, Marlin Kiecker and Gary Purath. A gift was given to everyone in attendance.



Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH

Zion and Salem
Interim SAM Christy Klemz

Wed, April 18: 6:00 p.m.
Chime Choir. 7:00 p.m. Con-
firmation.

Sun, April 22: 9:00 a.m.
Zion. 9:00 a.m. SS at Salem.
10:15 a.m. SS at Zion. 10:30
a.m. Salem.

Wed, April 25: 6:00 p.m.
Chime Choir. 7:00 p.m. Con-
firmation.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF OKLEE, GRYGLA & GOODRIDGE

Fr. Adam Hammess

Sun, April 22: 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, April 21: 5:30 p.m. RLF
Sun, April 22: 8:00 a.m.
Brooks. 10:00 a.m. RLF.

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH

ELCA

Pastor Jonathan Dodson

Sun, April 22: 9:00 a.m.
Worship at Immanuel. 10:15
a.m. Sunday School at Im-
manuel. 7:00 p.m. Worship at
Ebenezer.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH

ELCA

Bethany-Ekelund-Faith

Pastor Kristen Ostercamp

Wed, April 18: 7:00 p.m.
7th & 8th grade confirmation
at Bethany.

Sun, April 22: 8:30 a.m.
Bethany, 9:45 a.m. SS; 9:45
a.m. Ekelund, 11:00 a.m. SS;
11:00 a.m. Faith, 9:45 a.m. SS.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH

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

Wed, April 18: 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday School/Confirma-
tion.

Thu, April 19: 7:00 p.m.
Oak Park Ladies Aid.

Sat, April 21: 9:00 a.m.
Mt. Olive.

Sun, April 22: 8:00 a.m. St.
Petri, 9:15 a.m. SS; 8:30 a.m.
Nazareth SS, Nazareth 9:45
a.m.; 9:45 a.m. Oak Park SS,
11:00 a.m. Oak Park.

Wed, April 25: 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday School/Confirma-
tion.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH

Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg,

Youth Pastor

www.newjourneyfosston.com
Sun, April 22: 9:30 a.m.
Worship. 10:40 p.m. Sunday
School.

Tue, April 24: 9:30 a.m.
Ladies Bible Study. 10:30 a.m.
Quilting. 6:30 p.m. Hebrews
Bible Study.

Wed, April 25: 6:30 p.m.
Awana. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH

Bethany * Lund

Sand Valley

Dawn Hanson,

Lay Minister

Wed, April 18: 2:00 p.m.
Sand Valley WELCA. 6:15 p.m.
7th & 8th grade confirmation.

Sun, April 22: 9:00 a.m.
Lund. 10:00 p.m. Bethany.
Sunday School at Sand Valley
9:00 a.m.

Wed, April 15: No Con-
firmation.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY

Fosston

Seth Johnson,

Interim Pastor

Sun, April 22: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School. 10:30 a.m.
Worship.



Oklee's 35th Annual Youth Wrestling tournament on March 8, had 200 wrestlers participating with Carson Magnell being the youngest participant at 2 1/2 years old. Parents are Mikel and Jill (Rewertz) Magnell of Moorhead. Mikel graduated and wrestled for RLCC High School. Photo Submitted



KURTIS ELLEFSON

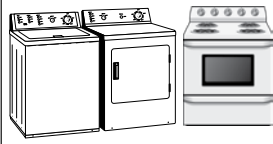
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NOTICE Large Item Pick-up in Oklee

May 14, 2018 ... starting at 8:00 a.m.



This is not for garbage. Only metal items will be picked up: white goods (water heaters, stoves, refrigerators, dryers, etc.)



No MICROWAVES, TV'S OR COMPUTER MONITORS.

Monitors, TV's or Microwaves may be picked up for a nominal fee. Fees for monitors, TV's and Microwaves are \$5.00 each. Must be paid for before the pick up. Pay at the City Clerk's office. Please call the Oklee City Clerk's office the week before the clean-up if you have one of those items to be picked up. Tires will also be picked up for a fee: 17" and up \$3.00; 16" and down \$2.00. Also needs to be paid for before City will take.

This year the large items will be picked up at your home. Please have them out by 8:00 a.m. in the morning and place items on the boulevard. This is a one-day-only pick-up. If you have any questions, call the Oklee City Clerk's

City of Oklee NOTICE

The City of Oklee will be flushing hydrants on May 2nd or 3rd.



NOTICE

A copy of the 2017 Consumer Confidence Report can be requested to be mailed or picked up at the City Clerk's office:

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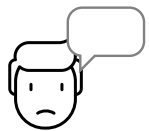
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ARM:

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SPEECH:

Does their speech sound strange?



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Earth Day April 22

Sudoku Solution

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3	9	6	2	5	7	4	1	8
4	1	2	3	8	9	6	7	5
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Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial Update

The Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial has received support through several donations recently. Contributions to the Memorial have been given in memory of Larry O'Neill, lifelong resident of Oklee, from Iona Berry, Oklee, Elmer Hanson, Brooks, and Clarence and Dianne Gagner, Brooks. Doug and Cindy Schnittgen, Oklee, have made a donation in memory of Bjarne Kvasager, Oklee. Mr. Kvasager served in the Army in Korea from 1951-1953.

Contributions to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial are used for perpetual care including flag replacement and upkeep of the monument and grounds. Flowers are also purchased for planting around the Monument in the Spring. Donations may be sent to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial at Security State Bank, Box 69, Oklee, MN 56742, attn: Lori Melby. Please direct any questions to Mary Lynn Bachand at marylbachand@gmail.com.

Women of the ELCA Conference 2 Spring Gathering

Conference Two Women of the ELCA Spring Gathering will on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Thief Lake, rural Middle River, Minnesota. Registration is from 8:30-9:00 a.m. With morning coffee. Program begins at 9:00 a.m. Cost is \$10.00 for registration per person. This includes morning coffee and noon lunch.

A morning of fellowship and inspiration has been planned. Pastor Rufus Kudde and Roxanne Goulet will be our guest speakers. Rufus Kudde is the pastor of the Williams-Roosevelt Parish. He was born in the Phebe Hospital in Liberia (where the solar project was installed at the hospital) and will tell his story.

Roxanne is currently a member of Mount Carmel Lutheran, Roosevelt, Minnesota. She is an SWO Board Member and spent some time in Liberia seeing the work of the Phebe Hospital first hand. Her presentation will be JOY...experiences in Liberia. A presentation will be given by Tammy and Lew Wallace of Honker Flats Greenhouse rural Middle River, "what's new in gardening."

Special music will be provided and we will close with a luncheon at noon.

We look forward to seeing you at our Spring Conference Gathering on April 28. Everyone is welcome.

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.

Thank you to all who stopped by the library last week during National Library Week. Names of 3 door prize winners of Red Lake Falls bucks will be published in next week's Gazette.

New dvds include "All I See Is You;" "after being blinded as a child, Gina depends on her husband to be her eyes, but after the opportunity of a

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Oklee Senior Site Dining

April 23 - 27

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: Grilled ham & cheese sandwich, chili, and dessert.

Tuesday: Grilled chicken breast, hash browns, green beans, and dessert.

Wednesday: Liver & onions, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas, and dessert.

Thursday: Chicken drumsticks, fried potatoes w/onions, carrots, and dessert.

Friday: Tator Tot hotdish, coleslaw, toast, and dessert.

Quin Board Meeting

The Quin County Community Health Services Board and Advisory will meet on Monday, April 16, 2018 at 1:00 pm at the Newfolden Evangelical Free Church.



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RLCC Menus

April 23 - 27

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Monday: Breakfast: Egg, cheese & sausage biscuit, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken fajita, refried beans, rice, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Pancakes on a stick, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, lettuce salad, cottage cheese, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken strips, cheesy potatoes, vegetable, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Apple turnovers, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Macaroni hotdish, bread sticks, vegetable, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** BBQ's, baked beans, chips, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Monday: Breakfast: Muffin, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, seasoned carrots, dinner roll, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Egg patty, sausage, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Scalloped potatoes & hamburger, green beans, butter bread, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Breakfast scramble pizza, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hot ham on bun, cheese, pickles, hash browns, beets, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Waffles, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chili, salad, veggies, toppings, crackers, cheese, PB & J's, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, baked potato, broccoli, fruit bread, and milk.



Red Lake County Rebels Track & Field Varsity

Thu, April 19: Quentin Jones Invite at TRF 3:30 p.m.

Fri, April 20: Early Bird at Mahnomen 4:00 p.m.

Tue, April 24: Pirate Booster Invite at Crookston 4:00 p.m.

Thu, April 26: EGF Invitational at EGF 4:00 p.m.

Fri, April 27: DGF Invitational at Glyndon 4:00 p.m.

Tue, May 1: Booster Meet at Hawley 4:30 p.m.

Thu, May 3: Thunderbird Invite at Mahnomen 4:00 p.m.

Tue, May 8: True Team Section 8A at Ada 2:30 p.m.

Thu, May 10: PTP Conference at Mahnomen 4:00 p.m.

Fri, May 11: WM Lions Invitational at Warren 4:00 p.m.

Mon, May 14: Lions Invitational at Roseau 3:30 p.m.

Thu, May 17: Ada-Borup Invite at Ada 4:00 p.m.

Thu, May 24: Sub Section 31 at East Grand Forks 2:30 p.m.

Sat, June 2: Section 8A at Glyndon TBD

Fri./Sat. June 8 & 9: State at Hamline University TBD.

Junior Varsity

Thu, April 19: Jr. High Invite at Walker 4:30 p.m.

Mon, April 23: Jr. High at Bagley 4:00 p.m.

Mon, April 30: WM Boosters Invite JH at Warren 4:00 p.m.

Thu, May 3: Jr. High at Crookston 4:00 p.m.

Mon, May 7: Ada/NCW Invite at Ada 4:30 p.m.

Thu, May 10: Jr. High at TRF 4:00 p.m.

Mon, May 14: Jr. High at Mahnomen 4:00 p.m.



Those receiving letters for RLCC wrestling were: (back) Oscar Duden, Gunnar Sandeen, Paul DeHate, Damon Ferguson, (front) George Duden, Tristyn Ferguson, Bryce Bergeson, Nick Pahlen, and Katie Olson (manager).



Honorable Mention All Conference awards were given to RLCC wrestlers George Duden, Tristyn and Damon Ferguson. Named All Conference was Nick Pahlen.



Mustang wrestling special team awards went to (back) Oscar Duden, Gunnar Sandeen, Paul DeHate, Damon Ferguson, (front) George Duden, Tristyn Ferguson, Bryce Bergeson, Nick Pahlen, and manager Katie Olson.



The RLC Speech team placed 3rd in subsections with eight members advancing to sections. Five other members of the RLC team will be alternates.

Speech Subsections held at RLCC High School

By Erin Jones

The Speech Subsections were held at Red Lake County Central High School on Tuesday, April 3. The RLCC speech team overall came in third place out of seven teams and missed receiving second place by one point. Seven members of the speech will advance to Sections, and four will be alternates for Sections. The seven members that will advance to Sections are Jayden Fore, Sydney Melby, Phillip Sorenson, Lane Renner, Lily Guillemette, Sage Hartman, and Jonathan Roue. Alternates to Sections are David Clifton,

Mariah Peterson, Remi Rath-sack, Luci Svendsen, and Halie Thompson.

Two members of the speech team place first at the meet. They were Sydney Melby in the category Great Speeches and Jayden Iverson with Poetry. Other members that placed in the meet were Jonathan Roue placing second in Original Oratory, Jayden Fore receiving third place in Creative Expression, and Lily Guillemette placing third in Poetry. Lane Renner and Sage Hartman received fourth place in Duo Interpretation and Phillip Sorenson placed fifth in

Discussion.

The alternates to Sections are Remi Rath-sack in fifth for Great Speeches, Mariah Peterson placing sixth in Humor, and David Clifton placing sixth in Inform. Sixth place also went to Luci Svendsen and Halie Thompson in Duo.

The Section Speech Meet will take place Tuesday, April 10 at Fosston High School.

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

Mustang Wrestling Awards Night

By David Clifton

The Red Lake County Central Mustangs Wrestling Awards Night took place on Monday, April 2nd in Oklee. There were many awards given out. Those who received letters were Nick Pahlen, Bryce Bergeson, Tristyn Ferguson, George Duden, Paul DeHate, Damon Ferguson, Gunnar Sandeen, Oscar Duden and Katie Olson who is the manager.

The All Conference award was given to Nick Pahlen. Honorable Mention All-Conference awards were given to George Duden, Tristyn Ferguson and Damon Ferguson. Nick Pahlen received the MVP and Captains award. Bryce Bergeson also received the Hustle award and George Duden received awards for Most Improved and Most Pins.

Paul DeHate received an award for Most Reversals. Damon Ferguson got an award for Most Takedowns. Gunner Sandeen and Oscar Duden both got the Mustang award and Katie Olson got the award for Best Stats. The wrestlers are coached by Kyle Dudycha and Travis Larson.

"Lace 'Em Up"

Basketball Camp

By Jenna Pahlen

The "Lace 'Em Up" Basketball Camp will be held in Red Lake Falls High School at the Robert Matzke Gym from June 4-8. The camp will be open to any boys or girls who are currently in grades K-11. The camp runs from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 for grades 6-11 each morning, and 12:00 noon until 3:30 p.m. for grades K-6.

If you register before May 25, the cost of attending the camp is \$60 with a maximum cost of \$100 per family. Early registrants will receive a camp T-shirt. After May 25, all single registration fees will be \$70 and the maximum cost per family will be \$120 due to camp preparation and award orders. By request, sixth graders may come in the morning, afternoon, or both for one price.

Registration forms will be available in Red Lake Falls, Oklee, and Plummer school offices. Return registration form and check to: Steve Philion, 518 Champagne Ave., Red Lake Falls, MN 56750. (218-253-2499), E-mail: sphilion@rlfedu.org Make all checks payable to Lace 'em Up Basketball Camp.

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This year's RLCC girls' basketball seniors were Billie Jo Gryskiewicz and Hannah Kolstoe.



Julia Bernstein (left) and Calyssa Eskeli (right) received The Northern Galaxy Conference Honorable Mention All-Conference Awards. Jenna Pahlen (center) was named All-Conference.

Spring Concert 2018



RLCC Senior High band performing one of their three numbers at the "D.C" Concert on April 5.



RLCC Senior High Choir performed "Cold and Fugue Season," "I'll Make a Man Out Of You," and "A Whole New World" at the Disney and Classics Spring Concert.



Mrs. Patty Mickelson directing the junior high band at the spring music Concert held April 5 in Oklee.



Seniors from RLCC's choir and band include: Back: Sydney Melby, Matt Vettleson, Nick Pahlen, Rosie Christianson, Lynsey Thompson, Gunner Anderson, music teacher Patty Mickelson. Front: Katie Olson, Hannah Kolstoe, Kara Longtin, Billie Gryskiewicz, David Clifton, and Holly Johnsrud. Many of the seniors in this group have been involved in band and choir all six years.

Nearly 12,000 Students Participate In Minnesota State High School Clay Target League's 2018 Spring Season

Minneapolis, MN – 11,936 student participants from 349 high school teams are participating in the Minnesota State High School Clay Target League's (MNSHCTL) 2018 spring season, which began April 1st. Those are the highest participation numbers ever for the state, according to League officials.

"This League continues to be one of the largest high school sports in the state of Minnesota," said Jim Sable, President of the MNSHCTL, "Such high participation shows the continued demand for alternative high school activities related to Minnesota's longstanding outdoor traditions."

The League's co-ed and adaptive nature are key attractions to high schools in Minnesota. The League is fully Title IX compliant with both male and female athletes competing on the same team. Additionally, it's an 'adaptive' sport, which allows students with physical disabilities to take part.

Upon completion of the Spring League's regular season, all student athletes are invited to participate in individual and team competitions at the 2018 MNSHCTL Trap Shooting Championship. The event - the world's largest shooting sport event with about 8,000 competitors expected - is scheduled for June 11th-19th at the Alexandria Shooting Park, while the Skeet Championship will be held at the Minneapolis Gun Club in Prior Lake June 20th-21st.

The trap shooting season culminates with the State Tournament presented by the Minnesota State High School League on June 22nd in Prior Lake. The State Tournament provides the opportunity for the highest qualifying individuals and teams from the MNSHCTL to compete for the ultimate recognition as Minnesota State High School League State Champions. The

Minnesota State High School League was the first state high school interscholastic athletic association in the United States to provide support and recognition for a high school trap shooting state tournament.

The Minnesota State High School Clay Target League attracts student athletes that have earned their firearm safety certification to participate in shooting sports while creating a "virtual" competition among high school teams throughout Minnesota at no cost to the schools. Family travel costs are minimal because practice and competition are conducted at a shooting range near the school's location. The League is also the safest sport in high school, with no reported injuries since the inception of the League in 2001.

Conferences are determined by team size rather than geographic location for fair competition. Athletes earn True Team® scoring points as determined by their performance and ranking against all athlete scores within their team's conference. The team score and overall standings are calculated and posted on the League's website. Athletes and their families may track their individual and team performance on their computer via the League's website, and by the Shooter Performance Tracker® mobile app.

The Minnesota State High School Clay Target League is an affiliate of the USA High School Clay Target League, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The League is an independent provider of shooting sports as an extracurricular co-ed and adaptive activity for high schools and students in grades 6 through 12. The organization's priorities are safety, fun, and marksmanship – in that order. Nationwide, nearly 22,000 student athletes representing over 800 school-approved teams participate in the League.

For more information visit <http://mnclaytarget.com> | <http://usaclaytarget.com>

Contact: John Nelson at 612-490-1388 | Email: jnelson@mnclaytarget.com

RLCC School Legal

ISD 2906 Red Lake County Central Minutes-March 18

The ISD 2906 Board of Education held a regular board meeting on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at the Brooks Community Center in Brooks.

Duden, Hamrum, Kolstoe, Majeres, Paradis, Person were present. Motions were carried to approve February minutes, financials, 2018-19 School Calendar, 2017-2017 & 2018-2019 Master Contract, the retirement resignation from Arlen Brekke, hiring Dean Hesse as bus driver, hiring Angie Lundeen as Head Volleyball Coach, non-renew contracts with Krista Bernstein and Patty Mickelson.

(Complete minutes may be seen in the district office at 260 Minnesota Street, Plummer, MN or on our school website at www.rlcc2906.org.)

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The RLCC Junior High Choir performed the “Beauty and the Beast Medley” at the D. C. (Disney and Classics) Concert on Thursday, April 5.

Brent Lindstrom Announces Campaign for Minnesota House of Representatives

East Grand Forks Resident Seeks First Term Representing House District 1B

East Grand Forks, MN --- Brent Lindstrom of East Grand Forks declared his candidacy to seek the 2018 DFL endorsement for the District 1B seat in the Minnesota House of Representatives.

“I am pleased and honored to announce my candidacy to represent District 1B in the

Minnesota House of Representatives,” Lindstrom said. “I look forward to a positive campaign, meeting citizens, and listening to what they want to see their Representative do for them.”

District 1B includes all of Polk and Red Lake Counties, and most of Pennington County.

The Lake Bronson, MN native has lived in East Grand Forks since 2004. He is retired from United States Air Force active duty, and is a graduate of the University of North Dakota. A high school football official for ten years, Lindstrom has been a strong advocate for youth sports in the district,

having been twice elected board member and officer of the East Grand Forks Blue Line Club. Lindstrom is also founder and past President of the Grand Cities Lacrosse Association, and remains on the Board of Directors for that organization. He also currently serves on the Polk County DFL Board of Directors. He is currently employed as an Assembler at New Flyer of America in Crookston and is a member of the All American Communication Workers, Local 7304.

Brent is married to Constance Lindstrom, a senior bio-fuels analyst for Christianson, PLLP, an ag-focused accounting and consulting business based in West Central Minnesota. Brent and Constance have three adult sons.

For more information on Mr. Lindstrom, please visit www.brentlindstrom.org.



Eighth graders Lilly Hanson and Taya Morinville played a duet “Allegro” K.487 at the concert.

VIP to participate in Sexual Assault Awareness Month, “Embrace Your Voice,” focuses on expanding prevention efforts

As part of the national 2018 “Embrace Your Voice” Campaign VIP calls on individuals to use their voice to make an impact when it comes to prevention.

Thief River Falls, MN – April 2018. This April, VIP will engage with the broader community as part of its annual Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) campaign.

This year’s theme, “Embrace Your Voice,” builds on the idea that how you talk about sexual violence matters. Individuals can embrace their voices to show their support for survivors, stand up to victim blaming, shut down rape jokes, correct harmful misconceptions, promote everyday consent, and practice healthy communications with children. During Sexual Assault Awareness Month, VIP will bring the theme of “Embrace Your Voice” to life with a social media campaign, collaboration with local libraries to highlight reading material and resources, and installation of teal ribbons in Thief River Falls.

“We are in a watershed moment,” says Sandi Bentley, VIP Executive Director. “With America focused on this very important issue, we have an unprecedented opportunity to improve understanding and change behaviors. The time to rally communities and the broader public is now. By promoting safe behaviors, thoughtful policies, and healthy relationships, we can create safe and equitable communities where every person is treated with respect.”

Beyond SAAM activities this April, VIP offers a variety of educational opportunities to fit the needs of individuals, businesses, partners and civic organizations. Their trained staff can provide educational opportunities that can address specific issues for many disciplines, including law enforcement, health care, clergy and places of worship, schools and students of all ages, daycare facilities, child protection, ag-

ing and human services, business and courts. Presentations include Dating Violence and Healthy Relationships, Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence and Bullying. For more information visit www.violenceintervention.org or to schedule a presentation call 218.681.5557. SAAM is organized nationally by the National Sexual Violence Resource Center.

About VIP

VIP is a private, non-profit agency that serves victims of domestic and sexual violence in Red Lake, Pennington, Marshall, Kittson and Roseau Counties. In the past year, VIP has served over 500 victims of domestic or sexual assault through crisis call response, advocacy support, shelter and other housing support. Over 400 exchanges and visits for parents with children have been scheduled through VIP’s Parenting Time Center (Umbrella Tree).

If you have experienced sexual violence and need help, please contact Violence Intervention Project. If you are in NW Minnesota or anywhere in the United States, you can call the VIP’s crisis line (1-800-660-6667) or confidentially access advocacy services at VIP’s office in Thief River Falls on a 24/7 basis.

About the SAAM Campaign

Launched in April 2001 by the National Sexual Violence Resource Center (NSVRC), Sexual Assault Awareness Month is an annual awareness and prevention campaign observed in April and is coordinated each year with assistance from anti-sexual assault organizations throughout the United States. For more information on this year’s national campaign, visit www.nsvrc.org/saam.



When is late too late?

It doesn't look like anyone will be doing any fieldwork in Minnesota anytime soon. The question when it will be too late to seed small grains, therefore, is becoming a bit more urgent.

Wheat, barley, and oat are cool-season annuals and are most productive when they grow and develop during cool weather. The yield potential of these cereals is largely determined by the 6 leaf stage. Cool temperatures during this period are particularly important for the development of a high yield potential. For example, the number of tillers that ultimately produce grain at harvest declines as planting is delayed (Figure 1). The number of spikelets per spike is determined during the 4 to 5.5 leaf stage (Figure 2). Spikelet numbers are negatively correlated with temperature; spikelet numbers are greater when temperatures during the 4-5.5 leaf stages are cool.

Figure 1 – The effect of planting date for on the number of heads per square feet of hard spring wheat at harvest in Langdon, ND (data and graph courtesy of Terry Gregoire, Area Agronomist, NDSU).

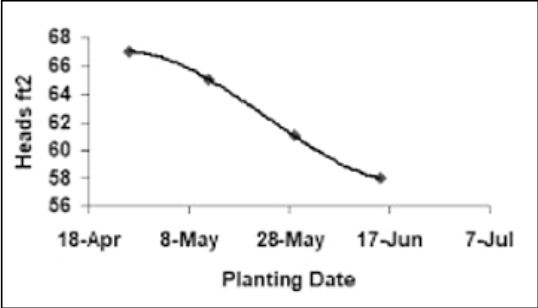
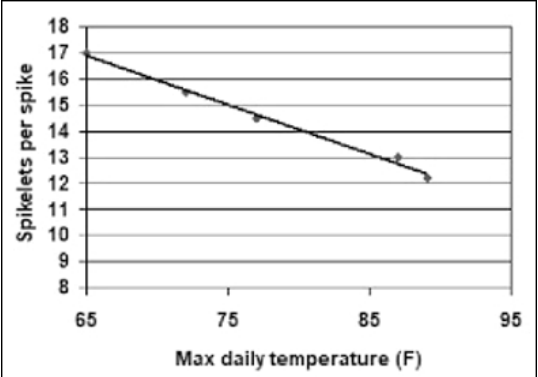


Figure 2 - The effect of maximum daily temperatures on the number of spikelets per spike that are initiated between the 4 and 5.5 leaf stage of spring wheat in Langdon, ND (data and graph courtesy of Terry Gregoire, Area Agronomist, NDSU).



Because of the expectation that average temperatures will be higher as we plant later, development of the crop will speed up too. The number of heat units required for a plant to move to the next phase of development will accumulate faster. This forces development along faster and causes the plant to have less time to grow. Plants end up with fewer tillers, smaller heads, and fewer and smaller kernels per head, cutting into our yields.

To improve the odds of high grain yields is to ensure that the tillering and head initiation phases occur during relatively cool temperatures is by planting early. Early planting is key to raise wheat, barley, and oats in Minnesota successfully (Table 1)

Table 1 - The optimum and last recommended seeding dates for small grains in Minnesota.		
Minnesota	Optimum	Last Planting Date:
South of US Hwy 12	1 st week of April	1 st week of May
South of MN Hwy. 210	2 nd week of April	2 nd week of May
South of US Hwy. 10	3 rd week of April	3 rd week of May
South of US Hwy. 2	4 th week of April	4 th week of May
South of Canadian Border	1 st week of May	1 st week of June

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Fill in the blank squares in the grid, making sure that every row, column and 3-by-3 box includes all digits 1 through 9.

Research has shown that, on average, yields decreased 1% per day when planting is delayed past the optimum planting date. Planting after the last possible date is not recommended because of the odds that grain yield and quality (test weight) will be dramatically reduced due to heat stress.

You can partially offset this yield loss by increasing the seeding rate and ensuring that you have more main stems per unit area. The recommendation is to increase the seeding rate by 1 percent for every day after the optimum planting window.

The last possible date for planting is not chiseled in stone. The odds of a high(er) grain yield with excellent test weight are less in our favor with every day seeding is delayed past our optimum planting windows simply because of the expected temperatures later in the growing season.

Source: Jochum Wiersma
Small Grains Specialist UMN Crookston

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Writers & Writing by Michael Tidemann

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

The Geiger Counter raises humor to a new level

It isn't very often that a newspaper columnist has me howling out loud. But Matt Geiger does just that in his collection, The Geiger Counter. The book is a collection of Geiger's columns that originally appeared, in somewhat different form, in the Middleton Times-Tribune, the News-Sickle-Arrow, the Mount Horeb Mail and other News Publishing, Co. Wisconsin-based publications.

As someone who writes a weekly humorous newspaper column myself, I immediately recognized – and appreciated – how great Geiger's humor really is. I heard myself saying, more than once, “Did he really write that?” Geiger doesn't just push the envelope. He folds it into a paper airplane and sails it into the next county.

No subject seems off limits to Geiger, even his darling daughter Hadley to whom the book is dedicated. In “My Baby Eats Dog Food”, Geiger writes: “But we always have to scurry away from the computer when we suddenly realize our daughter – born so pure, such a short time ago – is in the other room, gnawing on a pellet of corn gluten meal and chicken by-products. On the plus side,

The Geiger Counter
By Matt Geiger
Henschel HAUS Publishing, Inc.
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she's getting a whopping dose of glucosamine in case she develops hip dysplasia when she reaches the ripe old age of 10 or 11.

“People without kids sometimes tell me their dogs are like their children. To them, I will now respond: ‘Well, my child is a lot like my dog.’”

I think Geiger might have to

worry a little more about when his daughter turns 16 and the book falls into the hands of her friends. Ouch.

The collection also offers moments of pathos, such as the story “The Old Lady Who Lived in a Chicken Coop.” Geiger warmly recalls watching Red Sox games with an elderly woman, and when she died, he received her handwritten box scores.

“At the very bottom of the page was a note, written in a serene hand. It was the spot where she always jotted down the most important thing about each game. It was three words: ‘Watched with Matthew.’”

Or how about the story, “Fixing Things”, recalling when he worked in a hardware store.

“Most of our products were marketed toward people who wanted to kill rodents, weeds or their next-door neighbors.”

Nothing is immune from Geiger's humor, even cheese and Scandinavians.

If you like to laugh – and I mean a big belly laugh – this book is for you.

Michael Tidemann writes from Estherville, Iowa. His author page is amazon.com/author/michaeltidemann

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

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Oklee Herald Early Files

Seventy Years Ago April 15, 1948

More than a 2,000 attended John Deere Day sponsored at Rolandson's Implement Co. on April 3rd.

Members of the Salem Lutheran Church in Garnes Township met last Sunday afternoon for the purpose of organizing a Sunday School.

A special meeting of stockholders of the Oklee Cooperative Creamery Association has been called for next Friday at which time the question of building a new creamery will come to a vote.

Sixty Years Ago April 17, 1958

Ed Jacobson, Plummer rural mail carrier, was presented with a 28-year Safe Driving Award from the U.S. Postal Department.

Oklee Rural Fire Department has answered five calls during the past week for a total of 27 so far this year.

Harry Nelson was elected commander of Frank Lund Post of the American Legion at the post's annual meeting.

The Plummer bowling banquet was held at the Plummer Hall on Monday. A turkey dinner was served by the Immanuel Lutheran Ladies Aid.

Fifty Years Ago April 18, 1968

Honor students in the Plummer High School graduating class of 1968 are Lloyd Erickson, Reinette Novak and Mary Schjeldrup.

Pupils from Brooks school district No 626 will continue to

attend high school in Plummer as a result of the special election held in Brooks on Tuesday.

Kindergarten started Tuesday and will run for approximately six weeks. It is being held in the Zion Lutheran Church basement and the teacher is Mrs. Elmer Hanson.

Forty Years Ago April 20, 1978

Governor Perpich proclaimed April 16 - 22 as "Volunteer Recognition Week" so Mayor Jensen felt that our Ambulance Group should be recognized. So a picture of Bennet Larson and the new Oklee Ambulance van was on the front page of the Oklee Herald.

"Joyful Noise" will be appearing at Our Savior's Church in McIntosh on April 23rd.

Clara Bjerklie and Janell, Mrs. John Nelson attended a baby shower at the Bethany Church north of Gully for Maline Bjerklie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bjerklie.

Alan Jensen celebrated his 17th birthday at the Alvin Jensen home with Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Nelson and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Kriel and Nathan.

Thirty Years Ago April 20, 1988

Oklee High School will be presenting the three act mystery comedy, "Absolutely Murder" on April 29 & May 1st.

Waste Management Board responds to citizens questions about the proposed containment facility for Red Lake County.

Lorna Wicks of Oklee has

been awarded a Child Development Associate credential in recognition of outstanding work with young children.

Mark and Liz (Olson) Deraney are happy to announce the arrival of their daughter, Allison Rose, born April 8th in Grand Forks.

Twenty Years Ago April 15, 1998

Marcella Melby jumped in with both feet when she came to Oklee to student teach, because the teacher in charge of those classes was home with health problems.

March Students of the month at Oklee were: Jr. High - Cathi Berberich and Sr. High - Nick Morinville.

Erin Melby, Charity Wicks and Becca Anderson earned a perfect contest score singing "Old King Cole."

Ten Years Ago April 16, 2008

Winter came back one more time to tease the residents of Northern Minnesota with a few inches of snow which was better than the amount some communities southeast of Oklee got.

A bomb threat was received at Bagley High School on Monday, April 14th and it was found to be a false report.

State expands bovine TB control zone in northwestern Minnesota. Cattle herds in the newly expanded Management Zone will be required to obtain movement certificates and individually TB test most animals before moving them off the premises.

Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteer Iona Berry

Did you notice it didn't snow today. It would be nice if it would warm up and melt all the remaining snow. Even though we complain about the late spring, it still is better than some other areas in Minnesota. The Twin Cities have been having a lot more snow than we have.

Yesterday the 90th birthday party for Wallace Nelson was a gala affair. I hope everyone had a chance to see the picture that was painted of the Oklee School and the employees. It was fun remembering the faces. It was painted by a relative of the Nelsons and he did an excellent job. I also enjoyed seeing some former Oklee School teachers and students that were in attendance. I visited with Elaine and Carol Hofstad who live in North Dakota. I also visited with Orville Hanson

who worked in the bank when I was there.

I will be gone for a short time this week, so there will be no column for April 25th. I have a new great grandchild and I have to visit with her. All good things have to come to an end and I will return back to "no snow" hopefully. I will miss our Site Meeting this week.

Dates to Remember

April 19: 10 a.m. Site Council meeting.

April 20: Birthday Meal.

Words of Wisdom

Never buy a couch too short for Sunday afternoon naps.

Remember, the future is the only place where it's possible to add more friends than you have now.

Joke Time

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

Yippee! We dodged the last snowstorm over the weekend. I have a cousin who was trying to go to Arizona for a seminar and was supposed to leave Saturday from the cities and was then postponed to Sunday and I don't know if she ever got to leave the area. I also heard that Green Bay got 23.5 inches of snow. I believe that is the second highest snowfall in Green Bay ever. Spring weather brings surprises.

Dianne Gagner on Friday evening went to the Cozy to help surprise Joyce Morinville on her 60th birthday. From what I gather the party jumped the tracks a bit because her birthday isn't until the 25th, but in order to surprise her they had it early. Congratulations to you Joyce and HAPPY Birthday from me too.

Cindy Determan was one of the heads of the party, and she was very happy at the turnout. Many people were there and everyone had a great time. She also reported that Mikayla, her granddaughter turned three years old, and there was a party for her on Saturday. Del and Cindy, Jamie and Colton, Kaydance and Kamden, Brad and Macie and Aubrey, Grandpa and Grandma Pratt,

all joined in to celebrate. She is the daughter of Heidi and Jess Determan. Happy Birthday to you Mikayla and we hope you enjoy the next wonder year.

Welcome back to Ryan and Kelsey Paradis just returned from Mexico after a week vacation. Pam Paradis babysat for part of the week, and Kelsey's Mom Terri and her father Mark also helped to take the kids when Pam had other things to do. All in all, everyone cooperated and the kids had fun and so did Ryan and Kelsey get their time away.

Friday night Dianne Gagner and Cindy Determan went to the musical play in Oklee. Our own David Clifton was in it, and the play was a really good one. Both ladies said that the play was very well done and entertaining. Good job, David.

Jess and Heidi Determan, Nancy and Larry Pratt and Heidi's nieces Jullianne and Brooklyn, went to see the recital at Plummer. Krista Bernstein has done a great job training these young kids to dance. They do a wonderful job and entertain the audience with good moves. They went to see the children of Heidi and Jess dance.

A German, an Italian and a Norwegian were trying to get into the stadium at the World Olympics at Montreal, but the seats were all sold out. The enterprising German stripped down to his shorts and undershirt, picked up a cane fishing pole in a nearby alley, marched right in, stating boldly, "Heinrich Schneider, Germany, Pole Vault." Noting the successful ploy, the Italian took off his outer garments, grabbed a large round stone, then just as boldly strode in the gate, announcing, "Pasquale Galetok, Italy, Shot Put." Not to be outdone, the Norwegian took off all but his BVD's went into a nearby hardware store where he purchased some barbed wire. As he approached the gate the Norwegian spoke out confidently, "Hajalmar Olson, Norway, fencing."

Don't forget that there will be a pancake and sausage breakfast at St. Joseph church on Sunday the 22nd. The youth of the parish are raising funds for a project to put in wells in Haiti. The wells cost a great deal of money but each well helps over 6,000 people. Our kids are half way to their goal, so with this next breakfast they could reach their goal. Good luck to you in your endeavor.

Jerome and Barb Novak went to the funeral of Sue Vanyo a cousin to Jerome, and they were joined with Reinette and Ray Walter, Leonard Novak, and Gerard Novak for the Celebration of Life service Tuesday. The funeral was held in Sacred Heart Church in East Grand Forks. Jerome and Walter Novak went to the wake on Monday as well.

Jerome and Barb Novak went to the fund raiser for Jackie (Gagner) Johnson on Saturday evening. Many people were there to help out and it was fun seeing a lot of friends we don't see very often.

We hope your week is going to be spring like. It promises to be nicer than last week. Let's hope so.

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat

This weeks photo is of a couple enjoying an evening out for a special event.

Last weeks photo was of John Cyr's Golden Birthday party. Top row (l to r); Jon Lindquist, and Eric Mickelson. Front row (l to r); Dean Lambert, John Cyr, Tony Bachand, and Matt Radniecki.

Everyone has a photo or two that would be great for this column. Please share them with our readers as it is one of most popular columns of the Oklee Herald.

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Official City of Oklee Clean-up Order

Put a Little Spring In Your Yard

All yards and outbuildings should be thoroughly cleaned and all trash removed. Owners of vacant lots in the City are responsible for the appearance of their lots. Vacant lots that are not maintained will be mowed by the City and a fee will be charged to the lot owner.

The City of Oklee also prohibits the use of lots for storing and keeping of junked vehicles within the city limits as a public nuisance (junked vehicles are those that are unlicensed and/or missing component parts).

It takes the cooperation of all residents, businesses and lot owners to improve the appearance of our City and to aid in beautifying Oklee.

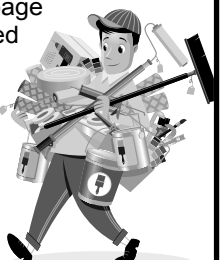
Red Lake County has a landfill site just north of Oklee. It will open on May 2nd and is open on the 2nd & 4th Saturday mornings and Wednesday evenings. This is where you bring items not picked up by regular garbage services. For more information on the Red Lake County Landfills, go to: <http://www.co.red-lake.mn.us/>, click on the Services Tab, then Public Health & Services; and finally on Environmental Services.

If you need extra garbage bags for garbage pickup, you can purchase them at Cenex in Oklee or D & R Grocery for normal garbage pickups.

The City of Oklee will pick up bagged grass clippings & leaves and branches (6 foot length or less).

If you have any questions, you may call the City Clerk's office at 796-5183.

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Let's Make Everyone Proud Of It!***



Freshmen performed their Vocal Ensemble "Let Me In" at the RLCC music concert. They included Emily Kolstoe, Adriel Bakken, Karena Melby, Faith Hanson, Katelyn Suchy, Bailey Culkins, and Bella Russillo.