

Oklee Precipitation
By Einar Kvasager

	Rain
Aug. 13	0.87
Aug. 14	Trace
Total in.	0.87

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Brooks Travel Plaza Grand Opening & Customer Appreciation

On August 26th, the new Brooks Travel Plaza will be holding a Grand Opening. A Grand Opening ribbon cutting will be held at 10:30 and then at 11 p.m. to 2 p.m. the public is welcome to come and enjoy a pulled pork meal, ice cream, and coffee. There will be drawing all day and F'real specials.

The Brooks Travel Plaza opened on December 1st at the junction of State Highway 59 & 92. The Brooks Travel Plaza was built where Third Base stood for many years, serving the community.

Business has been brisk and lots of truck traffic. The large parking lot gives large vehicles and semi's ample room to enter and exit the premises and there is two fueling areas, one for

large trucks & semi's and one for the general public. They offer #1, #2, Road Master and DEF fuels.

Inside, is a convenience store offering the basics of grocery items, hardware & auto items, plus a full deli serving up Coopers Chicken, Tecos Taco's, Deli Max pizza, subs, salads, and much more.

A wall full of beverages and an area with malts & coffee. A dining area for people to enjoy a meal, enjoy a coffee or just visit for a few minutes. And the new Cenex also include an off-sale.

Don't forget to visit your other local Cenex Stations in the coming week for their individual Customer Appreciation Days. Oklee's

Cenex will be having their event on Monday, August 24th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come enjoy a BBQ meal, ice cream and sign up door prizes.

On Tuesday, August 25th, McIntosh will be holding their Customer Appreciation from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will also be serving a BBQ meal, ice cream and have drawings.

Then on Thursday, August 27th, Red Lake Falls will hold their Customer Appreciation from 4 to 7 p.m. with door prizes, BBQ meal, and ice cream.

Come enjoy the Brooks Travel Plaza Open house and your local Cenex's Customer Appreciation Day – all next week.

Oklee Market Day enjoyed perfect weather & lots of fun

This year, Oklee's Market Day was the most perfect day ever. It was sunny and not too humid and a perfect day to explore the events held in Oklee.

The Paul's 5K Walk/Run was held in the morning with 60 participants. There were prizes given for Males & Females in three different age groups. The winners were: Female: Under 18: Jackie Lynn-25:31; Age 19 – 40: Laura Swenson-31:39; Age 41 & over: Carmen Fore-27:38. Male: Under 18: Aaryk Neubert 23:27; Age 19-40: John Mickelson-24:13; and Age 41 & over: Don Hagen-22:53.

The vendors were busy setting up in the morning and all of the vendors were in the Oklee Community Hall except for a couple which were set up outside. Some local favorites were there and there were a few news vendors.

The Quilt Show was held in the small gymnasium since the large gymnasium was still under construction. There were 31 beautiful quilts, 18 small quilts, projects and four Heritage quilts. Visitors were asked to vote and it was hard to choose a People's award winner. There were two categories this year: The winner of the full sized quilt was: Sandy Hagen (SteadyBetty Ironing Board) and the winner of the small quilt or project was: MaryBeth Hruby - Pillow from "The Shed".

Quilt Show winners of Oklee Quilting Supply Gift Certificates were: Large Quilts: 1st place \$75: MaryBeth Hruby; 2nd Place \$50: Deb Kaupang; and 3rd Place \$25: Grace Dessellier. For small quilts and projects: 1st Place \$20: Susy Dower; 2nd Place \$15: Shirley Dessellier; and 3rd Place \$10: Florence Tvedt. The Heritage Quilt Winner was Shirley Dessellier who received dish cloths & homemade soaps for the prize.

The Car Show was set up farther down the street this year with shaded areas which makes it so much nicer for the owners of the classic cars. Many folks were busy walking around and talking to the owners about their beautiful cars. And Wild Wes once again was the music man for the car show.

The Tractor Show didn't have a lot tractors sitting on Main Street, but that was because the tractors were busy all day long. In the morning, at 10:00 a.m. the Plowing Demonstration was held west of town, behind the football field and there were many tractor enthusiasts plowing with a wide variety of pre 1960 tractors and plows. George Olson, one of the Oklee locals had his 1927 McCormick-Deering out plowing and it is a very interesting tractor to watch as is goes down the field with its metal spiked wheels.

Later in the day at 2:00 p.m., the tractors moved to the north side of town for a tractor pulling contest. The pulling



Winners in the Paul 5K Run/Walk on Oklee Market Day were: Laura Swenson, Carmen Fore, Don Hagen, John Mickelson and Aaryk Neubert. Not pictured is: Under 18: Jackie Lynn.

company was Northern Pullers and the cost of \$10.00 per hook. There were many pullers and the results posted on their website: www.northernpullers.com.

The Red Lake County Fair board had their dunking tank set up and a basketball throwing game. There participants in the dunking tank got to cool off a number of times, and it is surprising who has a good aim. The Fair Board also auctioned off five of the wood carvings created by Klondike Carvers while at the Fair. This was a very successful fundraiser and the items were all auctioned off.

Unfortunately, the Men's Softball didn't pan out. There originally was three teams lined up, but at the last minute, two pulled out and it is hard to have a tournament with only one team. Maybe we will try that one more time next year. It could have been a fun time for softball enthusiasts.

Another of the new events was the Sidewalk Chalk Art contest and there were 19 contestants. There were many different styles and the winner will be announced in next week paper.

The Back Seat Driver contest was held for the second year and there were quite a few trying to win the \$25.00 prize. After some tough completion, the winners were Marissa Thomas and Carlee Whalen.

And there was plenty of food



The Red Lake County Fair board brought some of their games to Oklee Market Day as a fundraiser.

Tobacco Compliance met in Red Lake County

On August 11, 2015 the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office conducted tobacco compliance checks on tobacco retailers in Red Lake County. Underage youths were sent into these businesses and attempted to purchase tobacco. Youths presented clerks with proper identification showing them to be under the age of 18 years old. No deception of their age is permitted. State Law requires law enforcement agencies to conduct compliance checks on

retailers within its jurisdiction at least once a year.

During these compliance checks, 10 tobacco retailers were checked in Red Lake County. All of the businesses passed achieving 100% compliance within Red Lake County.

It is the goal of the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office to increase the percentage of businesses that comply with this ordinance, thereby supporting our mission to make tobacco less accessible to the

youth of Red Lake County and reducing the number of youth who use tobacco products. The Red Lake County Sheriff's Office would like to thank all of the businesses in Red Lake County for their cooperation and teamwork as we work through this process. We would also like to congratulate the businesses who complied with the County Ordinance and thank them for their continuing efforts against underage tobacco use. --Sheriff Mitch Bernstein

Road closed began on August 13 – goes to end of August

Starting approximately Thursday, August 13, 2015 thru the end of August 2015, a section of CSAH 129 (240th Avenue SE) will be closed to thru traffic for maintenance activity with the work area located between 190th Street SE and 210th Street SE. Enbridge Pipelines (Lakehead) and its agents will be performing the work and will utilize appropriate signage and flaggers as needed. Please use caution. Questions should be directed to Enbridge Pipeline at 218 755-6724. The 24-hour emergency contact for the maintenance work on CSAH 129 (240th Avenue SE) will be NATHAN HORYZA at 715 817-5961.



MN Sheriff's Scholarship Program

Sheriff Mitch Bernstein or Red Lake County announced today the commencement of the Law Enforcement Scholarship Program for 2015. Sheriff Bernstein proudly announced that the MSA Board of Directors has established a scholarship fund for the awarding of up to 15 - \$600 scholarships for this year. These scholarships are due to the coordinated efforts of the 87 Sheriffs of the State of Minnesota.

The Members of MSA gives special recognition to the financial needs of students attending the peace officer skills course, or one of the two or four year law enforcement degree colleges. "The Board of Directors feel peace officers in

our democratic society have complex duties to perform" said Sheriff Bernstein." MSA recognizes the importance of pre-entry training for people considering law enforcement as their career choice. MSA recognizes some students need outside help in meeting the costs of such training, even though they excel academically.

The Scholarship Committee, in making its selection of awards, intends on achieving representation from all geographical areas of the state. Scholarship awards will be announced by December 31st of the same year. Application forms and a statement of procedures are available at the Red Lake County Sheriff's

office. Scholarships are only available to students currently enrolled in one of the following three categories:

1. Mandated POST Skills Program
 2. In their second year of a two year law enforcement program.
 3. In their third or fourth year of a four year college criminal justice program.
- In order to qualify, students must have completed at least one year of the two year program or two years of a four year program. Students meeting these criteria are invited to obtain a scholarship application form from their local sheriff's office or online at www.mnsheriffs.org.

Calendar of Events

Wed, Aug. 19:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
Thu, Aug. 20:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.
Fri, Aug. 21:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
Sat, Aug. 22:
– Shop Locally!
Sun, Aug. 23:
-Worship at the church of your choice.
Mon, Aug. 24:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
Tue, Aug. 25:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30

p.m. – Cards
Wed, Aug. 26:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
Thu, Aug. 27:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.
Fri, Aug. 28:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
Sat, Aug. 29:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
Sun, Aug. 30:
-Worship at the church of your choice.
Mon, Aug. 31:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
Tue, Sept. 1:
-LSS Sr. Evening Meal 5:00

p.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards
Wed, Sept. 2:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
Thu, Sept. 3:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.
Fri, Sept. 4:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
Sat, Sept. 5:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
Sun, Sept. 6:
-Worship at the church of your choice.
Mon, Sept. 7:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.

RSVP honors Senior Volunteers

On August 5th, volunteers for Senior Citizen programs in Northwestern Minnesota gathered for the annual RSVP Banquet with 200 plus volunteers gathered at University of Minnesota Crookston for the 2015 Volunteer Appreciation Banquet.

The theme of the program was based on the movie "Wizard of Oz." The different foods and awards were all named to reflect different parts of the Wizard of Oz. And each guest went home with a box of Chippers from Widman's Candy Store in Crookston packaged in a picnic basket box similar to the basket Dorothy carried as she traveled in Oz in search of the Wizard.

The RSVP volunteers were welcomed by Tammy Frohlich, Director of the RSVP program. Frohlich introduced Chancellor Fred Wood from the University of Minnesota. The board members were introduced:

Lois Bergland, Thief River Falls, Eva Carlson, Lengby, Sheryl Carriere, Middle River, Carole Demars, Warren, Pr. Don Guttormson, Roseau, Aase Hammes, Stephen, Irene Hemphill, Fosston, Gerald Jacobson, Fertile, Sharon Jorde, Thief River Falls, Myrna Kiser, Ada, Karen Lunak, Mentor, Colleen Malwitz, Red

Lake Falls, Laralee Marvin, Warroad, Nick Nicholas, Polk County Commissioner, Pauline Olson, Hallock, and Glenda Phillippe, Warroad.

The buffet lunch of Wizard of Oz treats was served and "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" was sung by Anne Sykes from

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Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Margaret Jacobus
Sun, Aug. 23: 9:00 a.m.
Worship at Zion. 10:30 a.m.
Worship at Salem.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH OKLEE
Fr. Adam Hamness
Sun, Aug. 23: 7:30 a.m.
Confessions 8:00 a.m. Mass

BROOKS – RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bill DeCrans
Sat, Aug. 22: 5:00 p.m. Mass
at St. Joseph - RLF
Sun, Aug. 23: 8:00 a.m.
Mass at St. Joseph – Brooks. 10
a.m. Mass at St. Joseph - RLF.

IMMANUEL–EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, Aug. 23: 9:00 a.m.
Worship at Immanuel. 10:30
a.m. Worship at Ebenezer.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Bethany–Ekelund–Faith
Robert W. Dahlen,
Pastor
Wed, Aug. 19: Mid-week
services 7:30 p.m. at Faith.
VBS 6-8 p.m.
Sun, Aug. 23: 8:30 a.m.
Faith. 9:45 a.m. Bethany. 11:00
a.m. Ekelund.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive – Nazareth
Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Sat, Aug. 22: 8:30 a.m.
Mt. Olive.
Sun, Aug. 23: 8:00 a.m.
St. Petri. 9:45 a.m. Nazareth.
11:00 a.m. Oak Park.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland,
Pastor
Tyler Stynberg,
Youth Pastor
www.
newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Aug. 19: 9:30 a.m.
Christian Women's Club. 6:30
p.m. Youth Group.
Thu, Aug. 20: 12:00 p.m.
Rotary meeting.
Sun, Aug. 23: 9:30 a.m.
Worship.
Tue, Aug. 25: 9:30 a.m.
Ladies Bible Study. 10:30
Quilting.
Wed, Aug. 26: 6:30 p.m.
Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson,
Lay Minister
Aug. 21 & 22: Vacation
Bible School.
Sun, Aug. 23: 9:00 a.m.
Lund. 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston
Jon Marx, Lead Pastor
Seth Johnson,
Assist. Pastor
Sun, Aug. 23: 10:00 a.m.
Worship

City of Oklee Notice to Public

The Water tower is going to be inspected, sand blasted and painted.

Water pressure will be reduced beginning August 23rd and may continue for two weeks due to Water Tower Repair

Please limit the amount water used for watering of lawns and gardens during this time. Call 218-796-5183 if you have questions.

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Thank You!!

Oklee Market Day Committee would like to thank everyone who helped make this day great.

Starting with the wonderful people that come to Oklee to enjoy a day of fun with us. Thank You!

Car Show: Linda Roisland & Mandy Roisland (organizers) and Wild Wes for providing the music.

Quilt Show: Toni Johnson & LeAnn Smith (organizers), Shirley Dessellier, Grace Dessellier, Bryce & Matthew Bergerson, Linda McCloskey, Connie Lundeen, Heaven Heard, and Mike Dessellier.

Paul's 5k Walk/Run: Jessie Hamrum (organizer), Suzy Gunderson, Nancy Gunderson, Sara Olson, Bobbi Olson, Margaret & Lowell Hamrum, Rick Ven Aumen, D & R Grocery and the Red Lake County Sheriff's Department.

Tractor Pull and Plowing Demonstration: Mike Peterson (organizer) and all the people who helped him.

Backseat Driver Contest: Thank you to Larry Skallet for allowing us to use his lawnmower and to Jarrod Larson for furnishing the bales on short notice. Thank you!!

Craft Show: Jo Lambert (organizer) and all the vendors: Young Living Oils (Yvonne Bergerson), Perfectly Posh (Ruth Palmer), Simply Said, Inc. (Jennifer Olson), Deepark Creations (Janet & Rick Dulka, Galen Peters), WLB Craft (Bernie Reed), Pampered Chef (Rose Klaven), Lemongrass Spa (Kari Hamm), Oh Scrap (Corey Olson), Jewelry (Tiffany Tvedt), Doll Cloths & other sewn items (Carolyn Bachand), 31 Gifts (Stacey Altepeter), Norwex (Gelene Lundeen), Paparazzi Jewelry (Carmen Rystad), Flea Market (Iverson Enterprise), Canned Goods (Marlys Maki), Cotton Candy & Lefse (Margie Strand), Baked Goods (St. Francis Xavier Ladies).

City of Oklee for all the help getting things moved and set up and the use of their streets, Red Lake County for permission to use the street for a celebration, Red Lake County Fair Board for adding some additional activities to our festival that included a dunking tank, basketball shoot and a silent auction.

Special Thanks to our Sponsors: City of Oklee, Oklee Community Club, Oklee Café, Northwest Grain / CHS, Salon 209, Oklee Economic Development Assn., Swenson Seed Farm, Oklee Quilting Supply, Inc., Paradis, Inc., Peatland Reds, Inc., TJ's Tavern of Oklee, Swenson Equipment & Distributing – Oklee, Oklee Herald, Nerissa's Greenhouse – Brooks, Oklee Lumber, Inc., Oklee Ambulance Service, Security State Bank & Security State Agency – Oklee, Field Drainage, Inc. – Brooks, Garden Valley Telephone Company – Erskine.

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Tri-Valley Public Transportation

To reserve a seat, please call by 3:00 p.m. the day before - 1-800-951-9363.

All routes will arrive approximately between 10 and 11 a.m. at the destination.

All routes need at least five persons signed up.

Thu, Aug. 20: Fargo-Moorhead – Thief River Falls.

Mon, Aug. 24: Grand Forks – Fosston, McIntosh, Erskine, Mentor. *Seven Clans Casino/ Warroad* – St. Hilaire, Thief River Falls.

Tue, Aug. 25: 7-Clans Casino/TRF– Crookston, Fertile, Winger, Erskine, Brooks.

Wed, Aug. 26: Bemidji– Crookston, Red Lake Falls, Plummer, Oklee/Brooks, Trail/Gully, Fosston.

Red Lake Falls Library News

The library is open on Monday from 10:00 am until 5:00 pm, Wednesday from Noon until 8:00 pm, Friday from 10:00 am until 5:00 pm, and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. On-line patrons are reminded that they can visit www.nwrlib.org/rlf.htm at anytime, where they can create their own patron accounts to browse, request and renew materials all from their home computers.

Join in the fun on Wednesday, August 19 when Duke Otherwise, children's musician, will do a Summer Reading Program finale program for all the summer readers. Everyone is welcome to attend.

New adult fiction: Broadstreet Gate by Robin

Oklee Senior Site Dining

August 24 - 28

Call 796-5666 to order a meal.

If you are over the age of 60 and would like to eat with other seniors at the Senior Site, please call the Café at 796-5666 to reserve your meal. A \$4.00 per meal donation is suggested.

Monday: Closed.

Tuesday: Hamburger w/ bun, tater tots, vegetables, dessert and milk.

Wednesday: Egg salad sandwich, chicken vegetable soup, dessert and milk.

Thursday: Meat loaf, boiled potatoes, vegetables, dessert and milk.

Friday: Smoked chicken wings, hash browns, vegetables, dessert and milk.

Kirman; "A tour de force about three friends affected by a campus murder: Georgia, Charlie and Alice each arrive at Harvard with hopeful visions of what the future will hold. But when, just before graduation, a classmate is found murdered on campus, they find themselves facing a cruel and unanticipated new reality;" Silent Creed by Alex Kava; "Ryder Creed and his K9 search-and-rescue dogs return in the second installment of an exciting new series, teaming up once more with FBI profiler Maggie O'Dell in their riskiest case yet;" and in nonfiction: American Wife by Taya Kyle; the unforgettable memoir by the widow of "American Sniper" Chris Kyle.



All that is left of the Charpentier barn north east of Oklee is the silo and a pile of broken lumber. The storm came through Wednesday night and did damage on a number of farms in the Deer Park area.



Roofing from the barn was in the ditch along with other debris from the Wednesday evening storm.

Legal Notice

2014 ANNUAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Name of Development Authority: Brooks
Name of Municipality: Brooks
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The following information represents the annual disclosure of tax increment districts for the year ended December 31, 2014.

	TIF Dist. 1-1
Current net tax capacity	0
Original net tax capacity	0
Captured net tax capacity	0
Principal and interest payments due in 2015	0
Tax increment received in 2014.....	17,180
Tax increment expended in 2014	7,832
Month and year of first tax increment receipt	06/1998
Date of required decertification	12/31/2023

Additional information regarding each district may be obtained from:

Joyce Morinville
PO Box 98
Brooks, MN 56715
218-698-4220
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Centennial Recipe Corner

Apple Cake And Hot Buttered Sauce Rose Wold

2 cups sugar
1/2 cup butter or margarine
2 eggs
2 cups flour
2 tsp baking soda
1 tsp nutmeg
1/2 tsp salt
1/2 tsp cinnamon
7-8 peeled and chopped apples

Combine sugar and butter until creamy; add eggs, flour, baking soda, nutmeg, salt and cinnamon. Batter will be very thick. Stir in apples. Bake in greased 9 x 13 pan at 350 degrees for 40-45 minutes.

Hot Buttered Sauce:

Cook 1 cup sugar, 1 cup cream, 1/3 cup butter until mixture comes to a boil. Serve warm over cake.

Red Lake County Commissioners Minutes

RED LAKE COUNTY Regular Meeting Held July 14, 2015

Pursuant to adjournment of its regular meeting the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners duly met in regular session at the courthouse in Red Lake Falls, MN on July 14, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. Chair Weiss called the meeting to order. All commissioners were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Lee Meier, NW HRA of Mentor, was present to provide the annual update of HRA activities and report on the annual housing authority levy in the county. Meier reviewed several of the current housing units owned by the HRA and possible future rehab housing projects. Meier reported since the HRA was granted levy authority in Red Lake County several years ago that the HRA has been able to leverage over 16 million dollars for several low income housing programs, or over \$11.17 for every \$1.00 levy funds invested.

Meier reported on the USDA "Rural Business Enterprise Grant" (RBEG) that was awarded to Red Lake County in July 2014. The grant amount is \$99,900.00 and the local County Economic Development Corporation committed \$20,000.00 in matching funds to be used for business loans. Meier explained that there was some minor interest in the program but the parties were not eligible according to grant stipulations. The program has a 1-year time limit to disburse funding unless an extension is granted by the state. Meier commented that for various reasons the funds were not used and it appears the program may not be needed and that the RBEG Committee appointed by the County Board decided not to move forward. Meier suggested that the county program be terminated so the USDA can use the funds elsewhere. Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Simpson and carried unanimously to terminate the program and release the RBEG funds back to the USDA.

SS Director Kristi Nelson met with the board to explain changes to the Vulnerable Children & Adults Act Plan (VCA). The VCA, created by the MN Legislature in 2011, provides funding for Child Protection Services. The state has now made additional funding of \$75,000.00 available but requires an amended budget plan from the county before the funding is released. Nelson informed that the funding will be used to add a Social Services Supervisor position (Grade 34) with excess funds applied towards overall Social Services operations. Some current Social Worker staff are interested in the position and Nelson requested that she be allowed to refill any vacancy due to promotion of current staff, or advertise from outside the organization to fill the position. Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Flage and carried unanimously to approve the amended VCA Plan and related requests as presented.

Nelson informed that Case Aid/Accounting Tech Peggy Nord has agreed to assist the agency with performing additional duties on a 6-month temporary basis. The job tasks are outside of Nord's current job classification. The duties are: training new and existing staff; performing file review audits of existing cases; correct errors found in existing case files to ensure clients are receiving all eligible benefits, and assist in processing new applications and reviews. Nelson suggested that Nord receive a temporary salary increase of two steps or 59 cents per hour while performing the additional duties. Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Flage and carried unanimously to approve a temporary two step increase to Peggy Nord to compensate for the additional job duties from July 14, 2015 thru January 13, 2016.

Information was reviewed from Integrity Employee Benefits regarding being designated the consultant/administrator and agent of record for Red Lake County's ancillary benefit insurance plans (Life, Dental, LTD, STD, AD&D). Integrity will represent the county to the various insurance carriers and act on the county's behalf to obtain requests for proposals, as RFP's are required every 5 years. Current plan administrator is Ochs Agency. Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Sorensen and carried unanimously to approve Integrity Employee Benefits as the new benefits administrator for Red Lake County effective as of January 1, 2016 and to provide all services as presented in the consultant proposal. Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Flage and unanimously carried to approve the expenditures for the period as follows:

Vendor	Amount
Cardmember Services	\$ 3,145.32
Insight Technologies	\$10,243.00

Inter County Nursing	\$ 5,347.05
Red Lake County Coop	\$ 8,031.31
Rogers Two Way Radio	\$ 2,454.00
Tri County Corrections	\$50,089.00
University of North Dakota	\$ 2,035.50
52 Payments less than \$2,000	\$17,887.42
Final Total	\$99,232.60

The motion includes the following additional bills: \$55.70 to Dacotah Paper; \$134.95 to Ecolab;

\$32.56 to Haugen Hardware; \$100.76 to Marco; \$1,503.77 to MCCC; \$138.15 to Kelly Rogalla; \$490.00 to Tyler Technologies.

Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Flage and carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held June 23, 2015 as presented.

Myron Jesme and Orville Knott of the Red Lake Watershed District met with the board to present the 2014 annual report and to provide a review of the several completed and current watershed projects. The St Joseph Church erosion control/hill stabilization project in 2014 was the last major project completed in the county. The Watershed offered both technical assistance and cost share to complete the project. There are no local county projects scheduled for 2015. Knott reported that the RLWD is currently reviewing rules and regulations for land tiling with the document to be finalized in August 2015. Jesme informed that the local SWCD's and the state offices of Board of Soil & Water Resources will be the enforcement authorities for implementing the buffer strip legislation adopted during the recent state session.

The following Commissioner/Committee reports were shared:

Commissioner	Meeting/Report
Simpson	None.
Flage	SWCD discussing the Buffer Strip law, runoff control structures and other items.

Sorensen Reviewed applications for the HR position; County Corrections with Commissioner Weiss and reviewed existing contracts, inspection reports, and budget; NW Mental Health Center meeting discussing car lease program, budget, and board member retreat session.

Lerohl NWRDC in Fosston with Commissioner Weiss reviewing budget, Aging grants, Arts program, and toured a pump factory.

Weiss Reviewed application for the vacant HR Director position; Corrections; NWRDC; Area Agency on Aging discussing Elder-care Grant, agency logo and Chore Services Grant.

Chairman Weiss reported that applications to replace former HR Director Angie Lundeen were reviewed. The committee suggests re-hiring Lundeen as HR Director with a \$10,000.00 salary increase for 32 hours per week and to assume payroll duties. Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Lerohl and carried unanimously to approve as presented.

Commissioner Lerohl reported that Attorney Lacoursiere has prepared the documents necessary to complete the transfer of the South Park. Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Flage and carried by unanimous vote to transfer the South Park from the City of Oklee to Red Lake County, and then transfer from Red Lake County to the Red Lake County Agricultural Society (County Fair Board).

The board acknowledged correspondence from Hoffman, Philipp, & Knutson regarding the 2014 county audit.

There, being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until July 28, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

Attest:
Bob Schmitz, County Auditor

Ron Weiss, Chair,
Board of Commissioners
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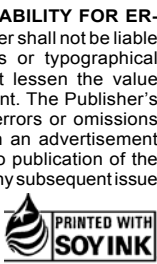
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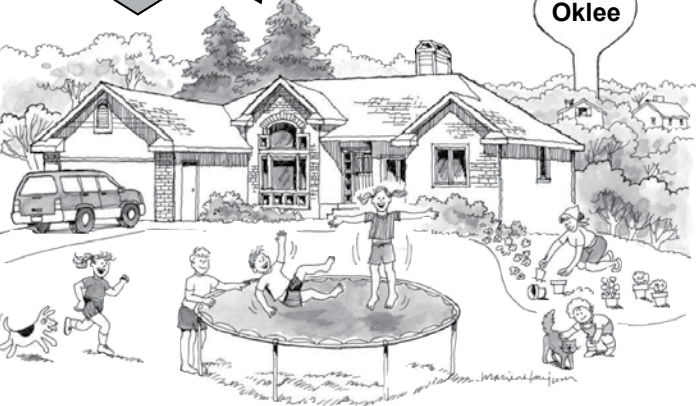
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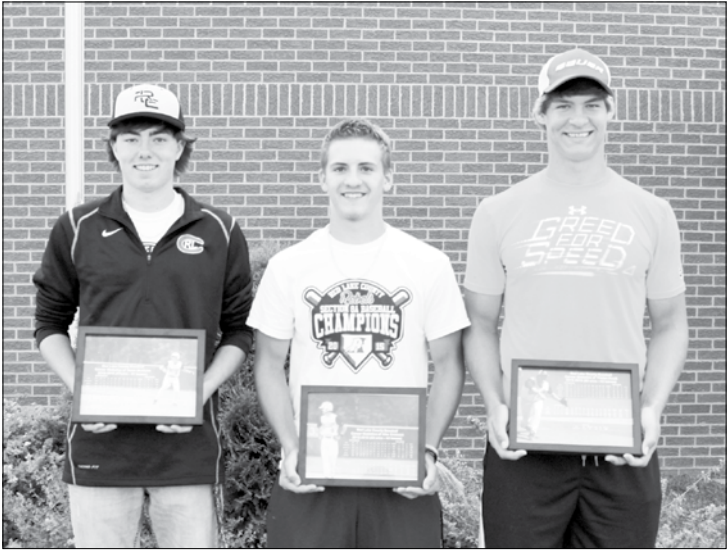


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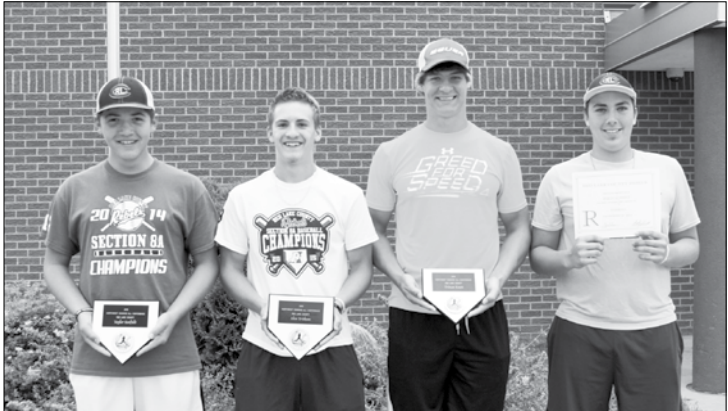
The RLC baseball team held their 2015 season awards and here are the award winners



L to R: Josh Casavan Most Improved Bailey Schmitz, Hustle Award Defensive MVP, Tristan Knott Offensive MVP.



3 seniors were recognized with a plaque with their career stats from Coach Chris Nelson. L to R Devin McGlynn, Alex Erickson, Tristan Knott.



Northwest Diamond Conference Award winners L to R: Taylor Kenfield, Alex Erickson, Tristan Knott All-Conference Bailey Schmitz Honorable Mention.



2015 Minnesota State Baseball All-Tournament Team and Minnesota State High School Baseball Coaches Association Tristan Knott.

RSVP honors Senior Volunteers



These dedicated Volunteers were awarded very well deserved recognition at our Banquet August 5th at UMC. Left to right in the photo: Teresa Nelson of Argyle - Over the Rainbow Award for going over and above what's asked! Donna Heirass of Twin Valley received the Good Witch Award; always empowering and looking out for others. Pauline Olson of Hallock, the Emerald City Award, rich in volunteer hours and placements. Eldon Johnson of Hallock also received the Emerald City Award, rich in volunteer hours and placements. Irene Hemphill of Fosston, Tornado Award, stirring things up and making things happen. Clayton Haugen of Oklee received the Hot Air Balloon award, going above and beyond for others. Congratulations to all!

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Fertile.

The award ceremony was next and six Volunteers were awarded the President's Volunteer Service Award by Director Tammy Frohlich

Rebel Football Underway

The 2015 Rebel Football season started on August 10th. This will be the 8th season of Rebel Football, consisting of the Red Lake Falls and Red Lake County Central School districts.

The 2015 Rebels return 7 starters on each side of the ball. The team has been working hard, getting into shape, and preparing for their August 22nd opener with Pine River-Backus. This game will be held at 11:00 AM in Oklee. The Tigers were 6-4 last season and return many players so it will be a tough task for the Rebels.

Brian Remick returns for his 16th season as head coach for Red Lake County. Steve Philipp, Trevor Page and Seth Schmitz will be assisting for

the varsity and junior varsity teams.

Junior High football will start on August 19th. Jason Kenfield and Kory Baril will be the junior high coaches. The 5th-6th grade teams will start August 27th under the direction of Bryan Bjerklie and Marshall Mickelson.

Some important dates for Rebel Football this year will include Friday, September 18th in Plummer. This game with Mahanomen will be the annual Parent's Night as well as Tackle Cancer Night in which donations will be accepted for cancer research.

Homecoming will be held in Red Lake Falls on Thursday, October 8th at 7:30 PM.

Sports Schedules

Red Lake Rebels Football

Varsity

Sat, Aug. 22: Pine River Backus at Oklee 11 a.m.

Fri, Aug. 28: Walker-H-A at Walker 7:00 p.m.

Fri, Sept. 4: Fosston at RLF 7:00 p.m.

Fri, Sept. 11: West Polk County away 7:00 p.m.

Junior Varsity

Tue, Aug. 25: Fertile-Beltrami at Fertile 5:00 p.m.

Tue, Sept. 8: Polk County West at RLF 5:30 p.m.

Mon, Sept. 14: Mahanomen at Mahanomen 5:00 p.m.

Junior High
Mon, Aug. 24: Practice Starts.

Mon, Sept. 8: Polk County West - 1 game at RLF 4:30 p.m.

Thu, Sept. 10: Ada-Borup at Ada 4:30/5:30 p.m.

Elementary

Sat, Sept. 12: Erskine 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Sat, Sept. 19: Middle River 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Sat, Sept. 26: Halstad 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Sat, Oct. 3: Fertile 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

RLCC Mustang Volleyball

Varsity

Tue, Sept. 1: Cass Lake-Bena at Oklee 5:00 p.m.

Thu, Sept. 3: Fosston at Oklee 5:00 p.m.

Tue, Sept. 8: Win-E-Mac at Erskine 5:00 p.m.

Thu, Sept. 10: Stephen/Argyle at Plummer 5:00 p.m.

Sat, Sept. 12: Ada Tournament at Ada TBD

Mon, Sept. 14: Goodridge-Grygla-Gatzke at Oklee 5:00 p.m.

Thu, Sept. 17: East Grand Forks at EGF 5:00 p.m.

Tue, Sept. 22: Sacred Heart at Plummer 5:00 p.m.

Thu, Sept. 24: Crookston at Plummer 5:00 p.m.

Statepoint Crossword Theme: Tech Gadgets

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- Had, with thou
 - Exclamation of disgust
 - Fit of shivering
 - American writer Jong
 - Beauty treatment site
 - "No guts, no ____"
 - ____ in, for a doctor
 - "C'____ la vie!"
 - *A portable one is great for camping
 - eBay participant
 - *Power provider
 - *A smart one syncs everything you write
 - *Pretty hot and tempting, in a text
 - Public health org.
 - Bluish green
 - ____ talk
 - ZZ Top hit
 - Lady Gaga's 2010 dress material
 - Lowest Hindu caste
40. Tons
41. "Walk the Dog" device, pl.
43. Civil wrong
44. Done to some documents
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48. Interruption in continuity
50. Medieval domain
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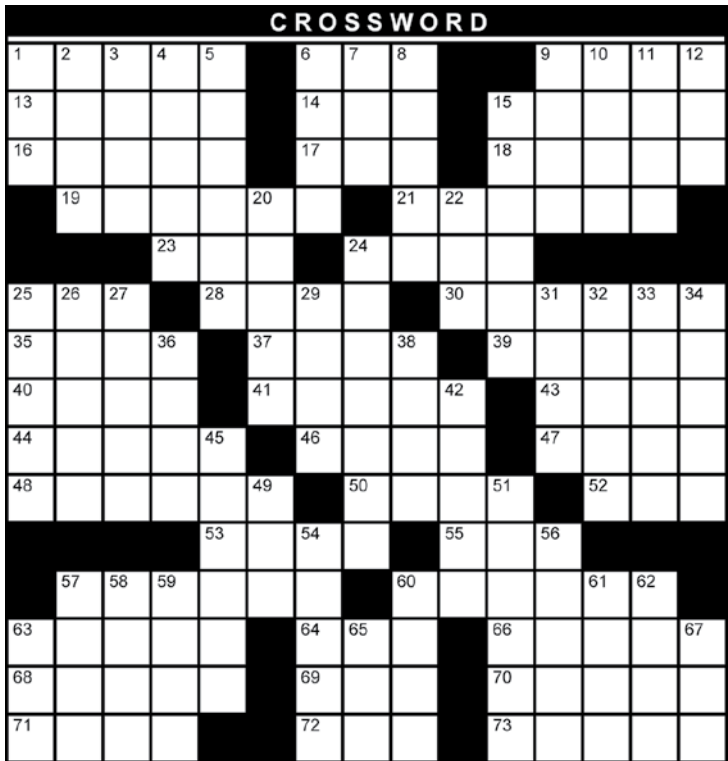
74. Working shoelaces

- DOWN
- "For ____ a jolly ..."
 - Circle parts
 - Awful
 - Create a sculpture
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 - *____-friendly
 - *Directional helper
 - Appear like a chick
 - Winglike
 - "It's time!" signal
 - Impulse
 - One who eyes another
 - Costing nothing
 - Public ____, rappers
 - As opposed to mishap
 - It's often sudden death
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 - Indian metropolis
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