

Oklee Precipitation

By Einar Kvasager

	Rain	Snow
Feb. 20		0.25
Feb. 21		2.75
Feb. 22		Trace
Total in.	0.00	3.00

Oklee Herald

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Wednesday, February 27, 2019



The Oklee Volunteer Firemen were brought up to the stage to thank them for their service to the community and their wives were asked to join them because without their support and help this event would not be possible. Everyone had a great time and it was again a great successful fundraiser for the Oklee Volunteer Fire Department.

Snowfall Comparison	2017-18	2018-19
Oct.	3.00	7.00
Nov.	9.25	7.7.0
Dec.	8.75	12.00
Jan.	6.375	9.30
Feb.	16.25	18.50
Mar.	5.75	
Apr.	2.5	
Total	51.88	54.50

Calendar of Events

Wed, Feb. 27:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

Thu, Feb. 28:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.

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

Sat, Mar. 2:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Tue, Mar. 12:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards.

Wed, Mar. 13:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

Thu, Mar. 14:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.

Fri, Mar. 15:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.

Sat, Mar. 16:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!

Sun, Mar. 17:
-Worship at the church of your choice.

Mon, Mar. 18:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

Tue, Mar. 19:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards.

Wed, Mar. 20:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.

Year in Review....

July 25: Security State Bank held their Customer Appreciation Day on July 12th and many people from around the area came to enjoy the beautiful evening and the Appreciation dinner.

Red Lake County Rebels won Roseau Varsity Boy's Basketball tournament July 10. RLC beat Northern Freeze 46-25, Roseau 48-39, and Warroad for the championship 42-31.

This week in American History. On July 17, 1980, Robert Asp debuted his replica Viking ship Hjemkomst in the Duluth Harbor. Fulfilling a lifelong dream, Asp would later sail his ship from the Great Lakes to the harbor of Bergen, Norway. The ship has since been installed in the Heritage Hjemkomst Interpretive Center in Moorhead.

Nasty will be nice and Fosston will be ogre-the-moon when the Fosston Community Children's Theater presents their production of Shrek The Musical JR. beginning July 27. The family-friendly musical comedy follows the adventures of an ogre named Shrek who sets off on a quest to save a princess from a dragon.

We were treated with a tenth of an inch of rain on Sunday night. Grateful though we are, we needed an inch. We will take whatever we get though, it would help the crops if we got some more rain.

August 1: Del, Cindy Determan and their son Jess, with his children Emma and Elizabeth and Macy, daughter of Brad Determan accepted the Farm Family Award from the University of Minnesota on July 24th.

A traveling exhibit about the Fur Trade in our area will be featured in the City of Oklee's Historical Museum on the main floor as well as in 14 others in the northwest corner of the state during the upcoming months. A regional group, Minnesota's Historic Northwest, made up of about 20 county historical societies and other historical and cultural organizations and museums, has been working with the Minnesota State Historical Society for nearly three years to prepare for this program.

A public hearing was to open the floor to comments regarding the vacancy left by Anthony Flage's resignation. Auditor Bob Schmitz explained the rules regarding a vacancy. If it is less than one year before an election, the board can appoint a commissioner, if it is within 90 days of an election, they cannot appoint a commissioner and they would have a vacancy until the election was completed. And if the board could not make a decision then a special election would have to be held. There were a few people in attendance for the public hearing. Al Remick was appointed after the public hearing to fill the position.

August 8: City of Oklee added a dumping station to the Omar Sundrud Park just across the bridge north of Oklee. There

is also a small boat landing for kayak's and canoes.

Class of 1953 got together for their 65th class reunion at Milo Sandeen's home in Oklee. Attending were: Shirley and Darrow Lundeen (Oklee), Doreen Charest (Cottage Grove), Milo Sandeen (Oklee), Leila Medrow (Oak Creek, WI) George Spong (Oklee), Lucille Christenson (Oklee), and Ray Swenson (Oklee).

The Red Lake County Rebels Boys Basketball team completed a very successful summer by winning another tournament championship. The team beat Fisher-Climax 51-42 in the semifinals and then beat Clearbrook-Gonvick in the championship game 49-45 on Friday, July 27th in Red Lake Falls.

No rain again. Trees are losing their leaves and grass is drying up. One good thing is that it saves mowing time, the grass quit growing but the weeds are rampant. We need rain. I saw that at St. Cloud they got 5 inches, and had flooded streets, this past week.

August 15: At the RSVP Awards luncheon two of Oklee's Senior Volunteers were honors. Eleanor Christianson (who was unable to attend) received the American Bandstand Award for 27 years of RSVP service and Irene Rosten received the Making the Scene Award for good action in the first year of service.

Motorists on Highway 92 between Brooks and Trail will encounter detours, lane closures and delays as construction begins on Monday, August 13. The project includes culvert work, resurfacing 19 miles of pavement, and construction of a combined by-pass and right turn lane.

Emma Howard, age 6 had a pull of 14'9", and McKenna Gordon, age 5 with a pull of 10'2", were the winners in the age 5 - 6 age group for the Pedal Tractor Pull held during Market Day in Oklee. In the 10-13 age group were Ashlyn Nelson and Kehan Nelson. In the age 7-9 group were Jake Howard with a full pull (27) and Jack Bartelt with a pull of 24'8".

In the afternoon at Market Day there was Old Fashioned games for all ages. Here is two teams trying the best in the three legged race combined with a spoon holding a marshmallow with out dropping it.

George Olson of Oklee participates every year in the plowing event and he enjoys restoring McCormick tractors. He has quite the collection of tractors.

No rain yet. It is DRY. Many farmers are going full bore in the fields getting their wheat crops off the fields. Today the wind came up and the oppressive heat is stifling. The roads are dusty and no car that travels on the side roads can get away from being dirty. It is August and it hasn't rained here in weeks.

Watch for more Year in Review next week...



Kurt Sundquist and Issac Magnell were the helpers for Magician Nick who performed the Houdini handcuff trick. For more information on the magician, his website is www.imaginick.com. More photos and story next week.

Linder to serve on Minnesota Farmers Union



Steve Linder of Oklee has been elected to the executive committee of Minnesota Farmers Union (MFU).

The board of Directors of MFU, made up on county presidents, met on Feb. 16th in St. Paul to discuss organizational updates, the legislative session and elect the executive committee.

The MFU executive committee consists of the state president, state vice president, state secretary and five directors representing five regions

of the state.

Serving on the committee for 2019-2020 are: Anne Schwgerl, Browns Valley, state secretary; Carol Anderson, Foley, chair, District 4; Ted Winter, Fulda, vice chair, District 3; Steve Linder, Oklee, District 1; Joshua VanDerPol, Clara City, District 2; Linda Larson, Rosemount, District 5.

The executive committee will serve alongside Gary Wertish of Renville and Vice President Bryan Kalbunde of Waubun.

"I look forward to working with these excellent family farm advocates over the nest year," said Wertish.

Security State Bank in Oklee welcomes new employees and building changes

Many changes at Security State Bank and Agency have occurred over the past year starting with new tellers, some tellers leaving or retiring, and this year already has brought more changes. Anthony Holthusen, who came to Security State Bank 10 years ago, has moved on to a new position which moved Wyatt Vettleson in to the position of Executive Vice President of Security State bank.

With this change, a new gal, Jenna Schommer was hired as the new insurance agent for the Agency. She is from McIntosh



Jenna Schommer

and went to school at Win-E-Mac, graduating in 2011. Her parents are Gary and Rebecca Schommer and she has two siblings, Marea and Donelle. She is also engaged to Nick Drellack.

Jenna started in October of 2018. She is enjoying meeting all the new people and she can help them out with their insurance needs. Some of her duties are setting up new customers for auto and home insurance. She also will be assisting with auto and personal loans and is always willing to answer customers questions.

This is Jenna's first job in the banking/insurance area and is learning new things which she enjoys. She said she is thankful to work in a small community and getting the chance to get to know everyone.

The other new face at Security State Bank is Becky Olson. She is married to Tyronne Olson and they have two children, Korby and Henry. Becky also started in October and she is enjoying her new job at Security State Bank and has been learning all the different duties required of tellers. Becky is ready to assist you if you need to open accounts with the bank,

with Bonds and online banking. This is her first job in the Banking services and enjoys working close to home and the added flexibility in this job.



Becky Olson

In addition to the personnel changes at Security State Bank, everyone has been noting the addition that is being worked on as weather permits. This expansion will include new offices and a larger handicap accessible bathroom. There is also going to be some remodeling to the teller area to make the bank more modern and up to date.

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Linda Molitor
Wed, Feb. 27: 7:00 p.m. Confirmation.
Sun, Mar. 3: 9:00 a.m. Zion. 9:00 a.m. Salem SS. 10:15 a.m. Zion SS. 10:30 a.m. Salem.
Mon, Mar. 4: 7:00 p.m. Salem WELCA.
Tue, Mar. 5: 9:00 a.m. Quilting at Zion. 7:00 p.m. Zion WELCA.
Wed, Mar. 6: Ash Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. at Zion.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF OKLEE, GRYGLA & GOODRIDGE
Fr. Adam Hamness
Sun, Mar. 3: 7:30 a.m. Confessions 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Francis Xavier, Oklee; 10:15 a.m. St. Clement Parish, Grygla; 12:00 p.m. St. Ann Parish, Goodridge.

BROOKS - RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bob Schreiner
Sat, Mar. 2: 5:30 p.m. RLF
Sun, Mar. 3: 8:00 a.m. Brooks. 10:00 a.m. RLF.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sun, Mar. 3: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseth
Wed, Feb. 27: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School.
Sat, Mar. 2: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, Mar. 3: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. SS; 8:30 a.m. SS Oak Park. 9:45 a.m. Oak Park. 10:00 a.m. SS at Nazareth. 11:00 a.m. Nazareth.
Tue, Mar. 5: 6:30 p.m. Lent Service at St. Petri.
Wed, Mar. 6: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School. 6:00 p.m. Soup & Sandwich at Oak Park. 7:00 Ash Wednesday at Oak Park.
Thu, Mar. 7: 5:00 p.m. Lent Service at Mt. Olive.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith Pastor Kristen Ostercamp
Wed, Feb. 27: 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study at Faith.
Sun, Mar. 3: 8:30am Faith Worship, 9:45 SS; 9:45 a.m. Bethany Worship, 10:30 a.m. SS; 9:45 Ekelund SS, 11:00am Ekelund Worship.
Mon, Mar. 4: 9:00 a.m. Mission Monday.
Tue, Mar. 5: 6:00 p.m. Faith WELCA.
Wed, Mar. 6: 12:30 p.m. Release Time. Ash Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. at Ekelund.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Feb. 27: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Fri, Mar. 1: 8:30 a.m. Friday School.
Sat, Mar. 2: 7:00 a.m. Father & Son Breakfast.
Sun, Mar. 3: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, Mar. 5: 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer meeting. 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions. 10:00 a.m. Ladies Quilting. 6:30 p.m. Bible Study.
Wed, Mar. 6: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, Feb. 27: 6:15 p.m. 7 & 8 grade confirmation at Lund.
Sun, Mar. 3: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 p.m. Bethany.
Wed, Mar. 6: 5:00 p.m. 7 & 8 grade confirmation at Lund. Note time change. 6:00 p.m. Soup and sandwich. 7:00 p.m. Lenter Service at at Lund.
IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, Mar. 3: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Immanuel. 10:15 a.m. SS at Immanuel. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer.

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. Online 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

Oklee Senior Site Dining

March 4 - 8
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, hamburger soup, and dessert.

Tuesday: Mushroom & Swiss w/bun, macaroni salad, peas, and dessert.

Wednesday: Taco on fried bread with all the trimmings, and dessert.

Thursday: Spaghetti, tossed salad, garlic toast, and dessert.

Friday: Grilled chicken breast, hash browns, carrots, and dessert.

and renew materials all from their home computers.

Last week's winners of the Book Blizzard cap, scarf or mug were Jan Kennedy and Bev Philion. This week wraps up the Winter Reading Program for adults, but there's still time to stop by the library and register to win a prize.

New in adult nonfiction: "Antarctica's Lost Aviator" by Jeff Maynard, the epic adventure to explore the last frontier on earth; and "The Small Guide to Anxiety" by Gary Small, M.D., solutions for panic attacks, phobias, obsessive thinking, compulsive behavior, insomnia, intense self-doubt, social anxiety, digestion issues, tech anxiety and medication abuse.

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NOTICE TO CHESTER TOWNSHIP

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Chester Township, County of Polk, State of Minnesota, that the Annual Township meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2019. The Annual Meeting will commence at 4:00 p.m. to conduct all necessary business prescribed by law.

The Annual Meeting will be held at the following location: Chester Town Hall. In case of inclement weather the meeting may be postponed to March 19, 2019 times remaining the same.

Pam O'Neill,
Clerk of Chester Township

Notice of Equality Annual Meeting

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Equality Township, County of Red Lake, State of Minnesota that the Annual Town meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2019. In case of inclement weather, the meeting may be postponed until the third Tuesday, March 19, 2019. The annual meeting will commence at 7:00 p.m. to conduct all necessary business prescribed by law in the town hall.

Janet Halverson
Equality Township Clerk
O49-50C



Sudoku Solution

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

Notice of Garnes Township Annual Meeting and Election of Officers and Board of Canvass Meeting

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Garnes Township, County of Red Lake, State of Minnesota, that the Annual Election of Town Officers and Annual Township Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2019. In case of inclement weather, the meeting and election may be postponed until the third Tuesday in March.

The Election Poll Hours will be open from 5:00p.m to 8:00p.m., at which time the voters will elect:

One-Supervisor for a three year term
One-Treasurer for a two year term

The Annual Meeting will commence at 8:00p.m. to conduct all necessary business prescribed by law.

The Annual Election and Meeting will be held at the following location: Garnes Townhall

The Board of Canvass will meet on March 12, 2019, after the Annual Meeting to certify the election results.

Diane Kolstoe, Clerk of Garnes
Garnes Township Board of Re-Organization will meet after the Board of Canvass on March 12, 2019.

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Oklee Centennial Cookbook Recipe Corner - From page 118

Pasta Salad with Salami & Olives

Jeanine Metzдорff

2 cups dried Gerneli Pasta
1/2 cup pitted Kalamata Olives (quartered lengthwise)
3 oz thinly sliced salami (diced)
1/2 small red onion, finely chopped
1 large handful fresh basil leaves
1 crown of fresh broccoli, cut up into bite size pieces
(Blanch broccoli for 1-2 mins in boiling water, then dry on towel)

Dressing:

4 Tbsp extra virgin olive oil
pinch of sugar
juice 1/2 lemon
2 tsp dried oregano
1 garlic clove, crushed
salt & ground black pepper

Cook pasta according to directions, meanwhile make the dressing for the pasta. Put ingredients in large bowl and whisk together. Drain pasta thoroughly and add it to the bowl of dressing & toss well to mix. Leave the dressed pasta to cool, stirring occasionally. When the pasta is cold, add the remaining ingredients and toss well to mix again.



Tri-Valley Public Transportation

T.H.E. Bus is available for anyone. There are no age or income guidelines. However, children under the age of four must be accompanied by an adult and children under the age of one must be secured in an infant seat.

Curb-to-curb services is available, allowing those with special needs with more convenient method of transportation. All buses are handicapped accessible and lift-equipped and drivers certified.

To reserve a seat, please call one business day prior to the scheduled trip - 1-800-201-3432.

The new schedule started December 2016.

For Polk, Red Lake and Clearwater county stops:
Every Monday - Grand Forks.

Every 2nd Tuesday - Mahnomen.

Every 4th Tuesday - Thief River Falls

Every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesday - Fargo/Moorhead.

Every 2nd & 4th Friday - Bemidji.

Deadline: Friday's at noon!

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RLCC Menus

March 4 - 8

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Monday: Breakfast: Ham & cheese croissant, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Quesadilla, lettuce salad, cottage cheese, fresh vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Pancakes w/syrup, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Macaroni hotdish, vegetables, breadsticks, yogurt, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Pollack buttery mashed potatoes, vegetables, Uncrustables, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: S'mores, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken strips, fried rice, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Cheesy pizza, lettuce salad, cottage cheese, carrots & celery sticks, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Monday: Breakfast: Waffles, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Pepperoni calzone, salad, yogurt, PB sandwich, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Apple turnover, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Cheeseburger, vegetable medley, butter bread, chocolate chip cookie, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Coffee cake, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Cheesy French bread, salad, cottage cheese, Go-Gurt, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast with Dads: Egg, cheese & sausage biscuit, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Ham patty w/bun, Sun Chips, baked beans, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Egg wrap, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Vegetable soup, grilled cheese or PB sandwich, veggies bar, fruit, and milk.

School Schedules

Thu, Feb. 28

TBD Basketball: Girls Var/JV Section Play-in Round TBA vs. TBA @ TBA

Friday, March 1

5:00pm Basketball: Boys C Game vs. Climax Shelly @ Fisher High School

6:00pm Basketball: Boys Var/JV Game vs. Climax Shelly @ Fisher High School

Saturday, March 2

TBD Basketball: Girls Var/JV Section Quarters TBA vs. TBA @ Ralph Engelstad Arena - TRF

9:15am Speech: Varsity Meet TBA vs. Walker-Hackensack-Akeley High School

Monday, March 4

7:00pm Basketball: Boys Var/JV Section Pig-tail TBA vs. TBA @ TBA

Tuesday, March 5

TBD Basketball: Girls Var/JV Section Semis TBA vs. TBA @ Ralph Engelstad Arena - TRF

Thursday, March 7

TBD Basketball: Boys Var/JV Section Play-in Round TBA vs. TBA @ TBA

Friday, March 8

7:00pm Basketball: Girls Var/JV Section Finals TBA vs. TBA @ Ralph Engelstad Arena - TRF

Saturday, March 9

TBD Basketball: Boys Var/JV Section Quarters TBA vs. TBA @ Ralph Engelstad Arena - TRF
9:00am Speech: Varsity Meet TBA vs. Detroit Lakes @ Detroit Lakes High School



The RLCC January Junior and Senior High Students of the Months with the nominating teachers: Ms. Jessie Hamrum, Kya Morinville, Marie Johnson, and Mrs. Patty Mickelson.

RLCC Students of the Month

By Jeremy Kruchowski and Isaiah Aquino

Red Lake County Central High School recently recognized two students who were selected as Students of the Month for January. They were Marie Johnson and Kya Morinville.

Mrs. Patty Mickelson nominated Marie Johnson as the senior high Student of the Month for January at RLCC. Mrs. Mickelson said Johnson participates in many activities including music and has taken on new challenges every year, trying new things even when it is not the most comfortable position to be in. Mickelson said, "Marie works hard in both

school and extra-curricular, even though sometimes it's not for a grade or a score, but just to improve herself." Mickelson also commented that Johnson "gives thought to how to voice an opinion before she speaks."

Johnson is in 12th grade, 18 years old and her parents are Jeff and Pam Johnson along with one sibling Seth Johnson. In school she is involved in band, Knowledge Bowl, Minnesota Honor Society, and basketball. In her free time she likes to spend time with family, cruise around on the gravel roads, and take pictures.

RLCC teacher Ms. Jessie Hamrum nominated seventh

grader Kya Morinville for the junior high Student of the Month. Hamrum said Morinville is kind to everyone, greets people politely and makes sure to tell everyone to have a good day. Hamrum also added that Morinville works hard in class and participates in other activities.

Morinville is 13 and in seventh grade. Her family includes her dad Nick, her mom Stephanie and her sister Taya. She is involved in three school activities: basketball, volleyball and track. Things she likes to do for fun are playing with her cat, snowmobiling, being at the farm and riding horse.

Jenna Pahlen joins 1,000 point Club

By Jeremy Kruchowski

Jenna Pahlen, a junior at Red Lake County Central High School, was the 12th member of the girls' basketball program to join the 1,000 Point Club. She scored her 1,000th point in the Mustangs game against the Goodridge-Grygla-Gatzke Chargers on Friday, February 15. She is the daughter of Steve Pahlen and Stacy Pahlen.

Other members in the 1,000 Point Club (Career Points) for Girls Basketball include Diane Fisher, 1980 – 1,353 pts; Jody Pahlen, 1985 – 1,796 pts; Sara Radniecki, 1991 – 1,084 pts; Angie Chervestad, 1998 – 1,369; Michelle Halvorson, 2003 – 1,029 pts; Courtney Halvorson, 2007 – 1,239 pts; Brittany Gustafson, 2007 – 1,472 pts; Kayla Pelletier, 2009 – 1,022 pts; Faith Kruchowski, 2009 – 1,700 pts; Brianna Spong, 2011 – 1,075 pts; Michaela Casavan, 2012 – 2,388 pts; and Jenna Pahlen 2019 – 1000 pts and counting.

Since Pahlen is a junior she still has a chance to add on to her 1,000 points the rest of this season and also next year.



Jenna Pahlen of the RLCC Mustangs scored her 1000th point against the GGG Chargers on February 15th. Pahlen is the 12th member of the Mustang 1000 Point Club



Jenna Pahlen (Mustangs #33) shooting a jump shot in the Mustangs versus Chargers game.

RLCC Community Ed News

By: Isaiah Aquino

Red Lake County Central Community Education is sponsoring the following events.

Basic Yoga Classes will start Thursday, February 21st and will go until April 4th. There

will be six sessions and the cost will be \$60. Each session will be held in the RLCC Elementary Library from 4-5 PM. For more information or questions, contact Marilyn Fisher at (218) 465-4222.

Craft Day is going to be held Saturday, March 9th in the RLCC High School Home

Ec room starting at 9 AM. Bring unfinished projects to work on and an item to share for the potluck.

Open Gym in Oklee is held every Saturday from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. Sixth grade and under must be accompanied by an adult.

RLCC falls to Fosston

By Eric Gieseke

The Red Lake County Central Mustangs played against the Fosston Greyhounds Thursday, February 14 at Plummer. The Mustangs lost with a final score of 45-47.

Leading the Mustangs in points was Jenna Pahlen with 14, also adding 10 rebounds and three steals. Kia Bachand had eight points with 10 rebounds.

RLCC defeats

Goodridge-Grygla

By Eric Gieseke

The Red Lake County Central Mustangs beat the Goodridge-Grygla Chargers Friday, February 15 in Goodridge. The Mustangs won 55-40.

Jenna Pahlen led the Mustangs in points with 27. She grabbed nine rebounds and had three steals. Kia Bachand had nine points and 10 rebounds. Pahlen scored her 1000th point of her career.

Mustangs lose

to the Bears

By Eric Gieseke

The Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears defeated the Red Lake County Central Mustangs February 18 in Clearbrook. The final score was 69-60.

Jenna Pahlen scored 30 points along with nine rebounds. Kia Bachand had 15 points and Sarah Christensen added nine.

RLCC takes down

Mahnomen-Waubun

By Eric Gieseke

The Red Lake County Central Mustangs defeated the Mahnomen-Waubun Thunderbirds February 19 in Plummer. The final score was 65-60.

Jenna Pahlen scored 30 points along with 14 rebounds, five assists and five blocks. Cari Bachand scored 11 points, Kia Bachand scored eight points and grabbed seven rebounds. Sarah Christensen had eight points, and Calyssa Eskeli had six points along with 10 assists.

Rebels Boys

Basketball Wins

Against Falcons

By Abigail Walton

On Monday, February 19th, the Red Lake County Rebels Boys Varsity Basketball won against the Fertile-Beltrami Falcons with a score of 74-66. In the first half of the game, the Rebels had a score of 37 and the Falcons 24. In the second half of the game, the Rebels added 37 points and the Falcons added 42.

Rebels had 20 rebounds and 11 steals. Derek Peterson scored 22 points. Eric Gieseke made three out of four free throw shots, made nine out of ten three point shots, and scored 18 points. Isaiah Olson scored 17 points, had nine rebounds, and made four steals. Ben Cardinal scored six points. Brandon Wiskow got five steals and scored six points. Adrien Verbout scored three points and Dawson Rystad two points.

Falcons grabbed 30 rebounds and made 9 steals. Nolan Pinske scored 15 points, had eight rebounds and three steals. Dylan Peace scored 14 points and had 8 rebounds. Cort Christianson scored 11 points, Addison McCollum ten points, Andrew Wadsworth 10

points, Michael Stahaug four points, and Grant Wilson two points.

Red Lake County

Boys defeat

the Freeze

By Kia Bachand

The Red Lake County Rebels boys' varsity defeated the Northern Freeze in Red Lake Falls on February 14th. The score at halftime was 30-27, Rebels leading, with the final score being 57-50. The Rebels' had 29 rebounds, 13 assists, and seven steals. The Freeze had 21 rebounds, 14 assists, and eight steals.

Highlights for the Rebels were Isiah Olson with 21 points and seven rebounds, Derek Peterson with 17 points, Eric Gieseke with 14 points, Ben Cardinal with three points and five assists, and Brandon Wiskow with two points.

Scoring for the Freeze were Keaton Klegstad with 12 points, Zach Buck with 12 points, Jaaks Spilde with nine points, Jackson Spilde with seven points, Gunner Kolland with six points, Stephen Murray with two points, and Weston Bring with two points.

Rebels soar

over Eagles

By: Phillip Sorenson

The Red Lake County Rebels defeated the Sacred Heart Eagles 51-48. The Rebels played Sacred Heart in Red Lake Falls on February 15th, 2019. The Rebels had scored 27 points in the first half and scored 24 more points in the second half. The Rebels also had 29 rebounds.

The Rebels top scorers were Derek Peterson with 12 points and Ben Cardinal with 11 points and four steals. Eric Gieseke had nine points, Isiah Olson had eight points, seven rebounds, and three blocks; and Brandon Wiskow eight points.

The top scorers for the Eagles was John Fontaine with 24 points, eight rebounds, and two blocks. Others included Brenden Bethke with 12 points and Evan Szczepanski with seven points, four steals, and seven rebounds.

Rebels top the

Chargers 54-39

The Red Lake County Rebels hosted a boys' basketball game Thursday, February 21 in Plummer against the Goodridge-Grygla Chargers. The Rebels were victorious over the Chargers, 54-39. The Rebels pulled down 41 rebounds to the Chargers' 24.

The leading scorer for RLC was Derek Peterson with 15 points followed by Ben Cardinal with 10 points along with 10 rebounds and four assists. Also scoring 10 points was Eric Gieseke. Isiah Olson scored nine, grabbed 15 rebounds, blocked four shots, and had three steals. Brandon Wiskow added five points, Adrien Verbout three, and Dawson Rystad two.

Peyton Verbout led the Chargers with 10 points. Jake Tharaldson put in nine points and pulled down seven rebounds. Other scorers for the Chargers were Kaleb Sjulestad eight points, Dylan Wold six, Riely Manderud and Hudson McMillin each with two, and Jordan Horachek and Payton Gradstrand each had one.



The Red Lake County Speech team had a meet in East Grand Forks on February 15. Danny Guillemette earned first in poetry and Jayden Iverson earned fourth in Poetry.

Triple “A” Award Winner: Marie Johnson



Marie Johnson is RLCC’s Triple “A” (Academic, Arts and Athletics) Award winner. She is holding her certificate along with her parents Jeff and Pam Johnson.

By Abigail Walton
This year's Triple 'A' award was given to Marie Johnson from the Red Lake County Central High School. The three A's in Triple "A" stand for Academics, Arts and Athletics. The program's purpose is to recognize and honor seniors who have excelled in the classroom, on the athletic field, and in the fine arts. To be eligible for this award a student must be a senior at the time of nomination and have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher at the date of nomination. They must participate in League-sponsored athletics and fine arts activities. They also must comply with the MSHL's Student Code of Conduct.
Johnson is a senior who has been in Online Collage Courses since her sophomore high school year. She plans on graduating from Northland Community and Technical Collage in May with her Associates of Arts degree around the time she graduates from high school. She has participated in band and attended a solo contest in

her sophomore year where she received an excellent rating. Johnson was chosen by her director, Mrs. Patty Mickelson, to attend the Honor's Band at Northland Community and Technical Collage because of her participation in band and good grades.
Johnson has played varsity level basketball since her freshman year in high school. Johnson says she has improved skills such as how to be a team player not only on the court to her teammates, but also off the court and demonstrate leadership. This year she was a team captain on the basketball team. Johnson says that being a captain has really taught her how to be a leader and how to be there for her team.
“Not only has being involved in arts, athletics and academics made me a better musician, student or athlete, but it has made me a better person. I strongly believe that being involved in high school activities can shape how a person develops and grows outside of

high school. In order to sound good in music, you have to work together with a group of people. In real life, you have to work together with other people to reach common goals. Basketball has also taught me teamwork, but it has also taught that in order to get something done you have to work hard. In academics, I have to make sure that all of my homework is in on time, which has taught me to have good time management,” said Johnson in reference to how the arts, athletics, and academics has helped her develop as a person.
The Triple “A” Award Recognition Ceremony will be held during the Boys’ State Basketball Tournament in March. The top two award finishers from each region will be invited to the banquet. League officials will announce the four Triple “A” Award recipients at the banquet. Award recipients, a girl and a boy from both a Class A and Class AA schools, will receive a four-year scholarship.

Who’s Dat?



Who’s Dat
This week’s is of a former Oklee resident.

Last weeks photo two persons I have lost the information on. If you know who they are, please call 796-5181 or email me.
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.
If you email a photo, please scan at 300 dpi (high quality) if you can. You can email to okleeherald@gmail.com.
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Or stop by the office and I will scan your photo while you wait.



Bonny’s Bits...

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I know I have not been in my office lately. I hope it hasn't been too much of an inconvenience for you. I should be in the office now on a more regular basis. The reason I have been gone so erratically is because I have been doing some medical testing and hopefully the problem has now been taken care of. I am doing fine.
The weather sure hasn't help much either. I'm know we all have been battling snow and having to shovel or snowblow our way out of our driveways. The city of Oklee has mountains of snow all over and everyone really needs to be careful if they are backing out of driveways.
Our oldest daughter who lives in Wisconsin recently went to Hawaii for 10 days. And while she was gone, Eau Claire WI got 20 inches of snow. This Sunday she texted me, they just got another 11.5 inches. The snow is so deep

in her back yard, her dog can walk right over the fence to the neighbors.
Some more from my email on the human body:
It is a fact that people who dream more often and more vividly, on an average have a higher Intelligence Quotient.
Less than one third of the human race has 20-20 vision. This means that two out of three people cannot see perfectly.
The fastest growing nail is on the middle finger.
The tooth is the only part of the human body that can't repair itself.
Your eyes are always the same size from birth but your nose and ears never stop growing.
By 60 years of age, 60% of men and 40% of women will snore.
Have a good week and don't let the weather get you down.

MEET THE KINDERGARTEN OF RED LAKE COUNTY CENTRAL



Name: Vanessa Majeres
Parent(s): Greg & Sylvia
What do your parent(s) do for a living? Dad: Works.
Mom: Works.
Sibling(s): Ethan, Nicholas, Shawna
Pet(s): Kitty that live outside
Favorite movie: Frozen
Favorite food: Pancakes
Favorite school activity: Play with toys
Favorite school lunch: Beans
Favorite color: Purple
Favorite toy: a bear (teddy bear)



Name: Odin Vasend
Parent(s): Ray & Dawn
What do your parent(s) do for a living? Dad: Makes city busses. Mom: Works at Digi-Key.
Sibling(s): Leif
Pet(s): Had two guinea pigs
Favorite movie: Home Alone
Favorite food: Corn
Favorite school activity: Gym
Favorite school lunch: Ice cream
Favorite color: Red, Black & Teal
Favorite toy: Rubik's Cube

Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteer Iona Berry

Today (Sunday) greeted everyone with strong wind from the North. Luckily, the wind subsided later on. However, it sounds like we will be favored for stronger wind tonight. It is lucky we are soon to welcome March. Will it come in like a storm?
The Firemen's party Saturday night was a great success. I didn't stay too long, but I stayed long enough to enjoy the music and the delicious meal. I saw people from neighboring towns here too. We are so fortunate to have the Firemen and it is a great way to show them we appreciate having them to rely on if a fire happens.
I'm sure many of the area people have left for warmer weather. However, it hasn't been in many of the Southern area this winter either. We don't have rain that produces land slides, and homes that

are not built for cold weather. Of course, they will be having nicer weather very soon.
Someone asked me if I had fallen in Don's year. No, I did not fall. I was going to walk to a shed to close the door which was open. I took one look and the snow was too high to go there. I decided I would go to his garage which was closer than going back to my car. I took one step in the snow and my foot went too far down. I couldn't raise it up. I decided to crawl over to the garage which was about 10 feet away. It took 5 minutes and I was on my feet again. I had my snowsuit on so I was well covered.

Dates to Remember
Feb. 28: Bingo at 12:30 p.m.
Mar. 1: 1st day of March.
Mar. 15: Birthday meal.
Mar. 21: Site Council meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Words of Wisdom
Resist anything described as quaint.
What good is speed if it's taking you in the wrong direction.

Joke Time
A college student took a part-time job delivering pizza. On his first day, he had to deliver to a reknowned skinfint. "What's the usual tip?" growled the customer.
"Well," said the student, "this is my first delivery, but the other guys said that if I got a quarter out of you, I'd be doing great."
"That so?" grunted the man. "In that case, here's five dollars."
"Thank you, I'll put it in my college fund."
"Oh, what are you studying?"
"Applied psychology."

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

Mother Nature was angry on Sunday. She wound up her winds and piled the snow we already had into different drifts and blocked roads and other entrances. Frankly I am really disgusted with her right now. I think she should chill her temper and then forget about it. She seems to wreak chaos every time she rears her ugly side these days. Didn't she get any discipline as a child? Wasn't she taught that she should hold her temper and talk things out? I guess not. Regardless, I am tired of her tantrums. Is anyone else with me on this?
On Wednesday the Red Hats met at Cozy, and five die hard gals came out in the snowy day to eat and visit. The quarter pot was won by Mary again, so it was donated back for the next month. Alice Jobe, Wilma Arlt, Anna DeHate, Elinor Ol-

son, Mary Schindler and Barb Novak were the die hards to attend. Due to the weather we visited and then disbursed. Letty Hair also came after the lunch and we visited with her for a while. It seems the next meeting should be March 13th at the Cozy.
When I brought Mary home after the Red Hats I got stuck in her yard. I haven't been stuck for a few years, but this time I made up for lost time. I was hung up totally. It took us, my husband Jerome and I, till Thursday evening to get out. Important information to my readers. I bought a Subaru car and didn't check to see if there were tow hooks on it. Even though there is all wheel drive on it, when you are really stuck you need tow equipment, and installed. Subaru doesn't include that on the sale you

need to buy that extra.
We needed to go to Moorhead to get the towing piece. Hence car stuck an entire day.
Mass was called off on Sunday. Good thing too because the handicapped area and driveway at the church was full of snow and not plowed. I don't know who is in charge of this but some people got stuck two weeks ago letting their riders off, and it should be taken care of before people are going to use it. Maybe this was an oversight by the council. It should be brought up and someone who is responsible hired to take care of it. Just a suggestion for future meetings.
Enjoy your week and keep warm. Stay safe too. If it is snowing, blowing, and really cold, stay home. It's better than a flu shot. Keeps those germs from attacking you.

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

Sunday Roger Skjervén visited Stoney Skjervén and Billy Peterson at Oakland Park Nursing home.
Friday, the 15th, RLCC Mustangs beat Goodridge by quite a margin. Jenna Pahlen scored her 1000th point for the season toward the end of the game. Her older sister Marisha came from Kansas to see her achieve her goal. How exciting! She is the daughter of Steve Pahlen and granddaughter of Randy and Jeanine Pahlen.
Those who came to wish Mel Hesse a Happy Birthday on Sunday were: Ray Dahl, Clarence & Diane Dahl, Brenda and Kelly Knutson, all from Middle River, Sharon, Amber, Landen and Jaxen Larson, Neil, Linda Mattison and Loretta Hess of Thief River Falls. Also Mary Hesse, Chuck Simpson, Pat and Joanie Simpson, Dean, Kristie and McKenna Hesse, Ricky Ullrich, and Kevin Malwitz.
Tuesday, Mel and Peggy H, Brenda and Barb went to celebrate Doris Malwitz's birthday at the Care Center.
The annual Vigstol Fish Camp was held February 14 - 17. The event was hosted by Steve and Denise Vigstol at Squaw Lake, MN. Attending

were Neil Vigstol, sons Scott and Rick, Shari Hanger and Tracy and Rocco Quattro. And Anne Anderson, Dusty and Kelly Vigstol, Eldon, Karen, Karl, Woody and Jeff Vigstol, Ray Vigstol, Dick Vigstol, Mkie and Carmen Vigstol and Dawson O'Brien, Russell Vigstol, David and Reid V., Tim, Kelly and Boone V., Lindsay V., Matt and daughter Haley and Kirk Anderson, Steve, Denise and Adam Vigstol, Maribeth Miller, and Vigstol family friends, Bill and Bailey and Allissa Vieberg.
Most of the crew enjoyed ice fishing. Everyone had fun visiting and hanging out. Steve and Denise served a delicious meal Saturday evening. Eldon and Karl put on a Sunday morning feast. An awesome time was had by all.
Plummer Ladies Auxiliary met Monday night at the Legion. An Appreciation Dinner is planned for March 30th, a meatball dinner will be served.
On February 16th, the Plummer Snowmobile Club had their Safari. It was around 20 degrees - nice weather.

There were sixty-nine sleds: Jackson Larson won the egg carrying contest, Scott Morinville won the sled guess of 69. Afterwards at the Legion, there were raffles and auction items with Jennifer Vogle auctioneering. Pulled pork and chili was served from the "Bite Me Grill." They had a very enjoyable afternoon. They put on around 30 miles in all.
Wednesday, Six Red Hats got together at the Cozy. The special was lasagna dinner and salad, cake with lemon filling for dessert. Mary Schindler won the drawing.
On Thursday morning, I went to the school to talk to the kids about "Respect for the Flag." I gave 10 presentations in all. I got to see my new pen pal Jett in 4th grade. Also in 2nd grade, Mrs. Nelson asked be to say the pledge to the Flag with her students. That as nice. They also recited a "Student Pledge" after that. I was impressed. It was a full morning.
Have a great week and stay warm!

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