



| Oklee Precipitation<br>By Einar Kvasager |      |      |
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|                                          | Rain | Snow |
| Jan. 18                                  |      | 5.50 |
| Jan. 19                                  |      | 2.50 |
| Jan. 20                                  |      | 0.50 |
| Total in.                                | 0.00 | 8.50 |

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## Goodridge-Grygla 500 USXC Snowmobile Race Comes To Goodridge Next Month

The weekend of February 7th -9th will be a busy and action-packed weekend that many have, once again, been busy planning and gearing up for and YOU can be a part of it all! The United States X-Country (USXC) Snowmobile Racing presents the Goodridge-Grygla 500 taking place February 8-9, 2020. With 500 miles of ditch, river, woods and cross-country, the winner will be named the best cross-country racer in the world, and it's all happening right here!

With 17 specific classes, multiple age groups, all skill levels and over 50 entries so far, all USXC classes will run plus new additional classes for the first time racer. There will be many more entries to come as racers have until the night before to sign up. New this year is the 286 Snow Series, which is a kids snow cross for ages 4-17 on 120's up to 200 cc sleds. For more information or to enter, please call Chad Blessum at 701-278-0072. There will also be a Vintage Snowmobile Show on Saturday. Please call Wyatt Anderson at 218-689-4788.

USXC now has the detailed map for the routes of the race. Pictured is the Saturday (Day 1) loop, which is 125 miles that the racers will do twice; a fuel stop will be east of the Smiley Bridge this day. The Sunday (Day 2) loop is also 125 miles that will be completed twice and runs north to Grygla with a fuel stop at Grande Corner; this stop also provides a lot of space for spectators!

There are lots of activities being planned by local sportsman's clubs, including an autograph session with the

racers on Friday, February 7th, at the Goodridge Lion's Hall from 5-7pm.

Nicole Kiesow, coordinator of the big event, said there will be open pits so folks can see the racers work and check out their impressive trailers. The pits are located south of the old DW's in the field, which is also where the start and finish line will be.

Race Check-in will be at the Goodridge Lion's Hall on Friday, February 7th, from 3-7pm with the autograph session being held from 5-7pm.

Saturday's race begins at 9am in Goodridge. Food will be available each day by Goodridge High School groups as a fundraising activity. After the race is completed, there will be a band Saturday night at the Goodridge Municipal Liquor Store.

Sunday's race also begins at 9am in Goodridge. There will be an awards ceremony at the end of the day at the Goodridge Lion's Hall. All are welcome to attend.

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Spotters and other volunteers for this big event are still needed. Please contact Nicole Kiesow at 218-686-7642 if you are willing to help. There will be a volunteer trailer at the start/finish line for anyone who has questions during the race. Volunteer duties include, but are not limited to, spotting on the track, monitoring fuel stops, helping at the starting/finish line, and marking/sweeping the trails for the safety of the riders. The Goodridge and Grygla Fire Departments will also be assisting at the fuel stops for the safety of the racers, along with local EMT's and First Responders there for any medical emergencies should one arise.

The Goodridge-Grygla 500 USXC Snowmobile Race will be broadcast live each day on KTRF for those who'd like to tune in! Clothing and hats will also be for sale the weekend of the event.

Register online at [www.usxcracing.com](http://www.usxcracing.com). Contact Kyrsten Zimpel at 218-779-5268 or [kyrsten@usxcracing.com](mailto:kyrsten@usxcracing.com)

**Maps of the race routes for Saturday and Sunday are on page 6.**



## 53rd annual Moonlighters Sno Safari was held on January 25th

With perfect weather the 53rd Annual Oklee Moonlighters Snowmobile Safari was held on January 25th. Due to two storms that came through the area leaving more than sufficient snow and the mild 20 degree temperatures, the riders couldn't have asked for better conditions for a Safari.

A perfect day for a Safari ride around the area for everyone in the family.

It was hard to get an accurate count of sleds but the closest estimate was around 50 sleds were lined up outside TJ's Tavern.

The riders gathered at TJ's Tavern in Oklee before heading out for the trail ride. They left at 1 p.m. and were back before 6 p.m.

Following the ride, there were drawings for door prizes and at 8 p.m. the band "Odd Man In" played at TJ's for a

night of music and fun.

**Rider's Prizes Safari 2020**  
Sled count of 47. Winners tied: Joel Kvasager & Logan Ness

\$100 Bass Pro gift card from CHS Ag Service-Oklee: Ole Bruggeman, Carson Reese, Caleb Novak

\$50 RV Sports Gift Card From Oklee Moonlighters: Jennifer Kvasager

\$50 Hubert's Gift Card from Oklee Moonlighters: Matt Kolstoe

\$50 L & M Gift Card From Oklee Moonlighters: Mike Cormican

Polaris Jacket From Titan In Crookston: Grayson Rystad

\$50 Gift Certificate From Knott Gravel: Brady Spence

\$25 Cenex Gift Card From Northland Grain-Oklee: Tom Morinville

\$25 Gift Certificate To Any Oklee Business From Security State Bank: Knute Knutson, Duwayne Parsley

\$25 Gift Card To D & R Grocery From D & R Grocery: Dustin Peterson

\$25 Gift Card To Goodridge Liquor Store From Goodridge Liquor Store: Dan Peterson

\$20 Gift Card To Shorty's From Luncheon Harvesting: Stacy Tadych & Chad Parsley

\$25 Gift Card To Cenex From Brooks Cenex: Rosie Skallet

Sweatshirt From Shorty's In Gully: Steve Seeger

Torch Kit From Red Lake County Insurance In Red Lake Falls: Ben Linder

All Prizes Safari 2020

Long Sleeve Shirts From Oklee Moonlighters: Katie Pendleton, Rosie Bruggeman

\$25 Gift Card To Salon 209 From Salon 209: Taylor Klasen, Caleb Novak

T-Shirts From Oklee Moonlighters: Tracy Lee, Alexis Berberich

Hats From Oklee Moonlighters: Stacy Tadych, Mike Wagner

Stocking Hats From Oklee Moonlighters: Chaslin Magner, Dylan Lundeen, Shelly Flatgard

Hats From Carol's Cozy: Roger Asselin, Easton Kuz, Brady Spence, Nathan Knott

Baseball Hats From Oklee Lumber: Hattie Lee, Tyler Nelson, Matt Kolstoe

Stocking Hats From Oklee Lumber: Jamie Flatgard, Peyton Kuz, Dan Sebenaler

Pairs Of Gloves From Oklee Lumber: Rylan Lundeen, Duwayne Parsley, Chad Lundeen

Framed World Map From Oklee Quilting: Logan Ness

Vase From Oklee Quilting: Carson Reese

Ratchet Strap Set From Titan Machinery In Winger: Dustin Neuschwander

Flashlight From Titan Machinery In Winger: Dan Peterson

Screwdriver Set From Titan Machinery In Winger: Alex Peterson

Cup And Bag From Red Lake County Insurance: Carter Reese

## 2019 Year in Review...

May 1, 2019

Mr. Randy Huie from Red Lake County Central High School was selected as the Minnesota State Student Council Advisor of the Year at the Minnesota State Student Council Convention and Banquet held April 6-8 in Medford, MN.

Rhonda Vettleson is the new Driver's Education instructor for Red Lake County Central. Vettleson became a certified driving instructor in January 2019. She took five online classes through St. Cloud State University. After finishing those classes she had to do a road test with the head of driver's education in Alexandria.

### Calendar of Events

Wed, Jan. 29:

-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.  
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. - Bridge.

-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

Thu, Jan. 30:

-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.  
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. - Bingo.

Fri, Jan. 31:

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

Sat, Feb. 1:

-Support your local business - Shop Locally!

Sun, Feb. 2:

-Worship at the church of your choice.

Mon, Feb. 3:

-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

Tue, Feb. 4:

-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

Wed, Feb. 5:

-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. 6:

-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.

-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. - Bingo.

Fri, Feb. 7:

-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.

-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.

Red Lake County Central had 11 members from the band go to the Instrumental Contest Wednesday, April 17 at East Grand Forks High School. The 2019 instrumental competitors were either two points away from the Superior Rating or received the Superior Rating.

Hippity, Hoppity, the Easter Bunny found it's way to Oklee on April 14th and the Easter Egg Hunt.

The weather is spring like and should stay around. Fields are drying up and ditches are emptying their load of water to the rivers, which have gone down some but are still quite high, but not really any flooding except for maybe a few fields right on the rivers.

May 8, 2019

The Salem Sunday school were pictured with bags they decorated as part of one of our Sunday school lessons "Jesus Feeds 5,000". They decorated the bags and with the help of the congregation, were able to fill the bags with needed items for people that may need a helping hand. The bags were brought to Inter County Community Council in Oklee to disperse as needed.

March Students of the Month recipients Bryn Vettleson and Adriel Bakken were pictured with the teachers who nominated them, Ms. Jessie Hamrum and Mrs. Patty Mickelson.

The Red Lake County Rebels went to Karlstad to play the Northern Freeze on Thursday, April 25. The Rebels came out on top 12-1. The Rebels scored three runs in the second inning and both teams scored a run in the third inning. In the fourth inning the Rebels added two more runs and scored six more in the fifth inning.

The Red Lake County Central Mustangs softball team fell short in a close game against the Fertile/Beltrami Falcons with a score of 4-5. They played Thursday, April 25 in Fertile.

We are now in May and the snow has melted!!! The farmers are still wondering when they can get in the field. It has been a cold winter and now a cold, wet spring. It doesn't sound

like it will be very warm this coming week either.

The Plummer American Legion Auxiliary met and voted for Citizenship award and Scholarship award. Sydnie Gunderson won for the Scholarship award and Sarah Gunderson won Citizenship.

May 15, 2019

Red Lake County Central Graduation will be held Friday, May 24, 2019 at the High School in Oklee. Speakers will be the top two students of the Class of 2019. They include Andrew Fish, son of Darin Fish and Sally Thompson; and Marie Johnson, daughter of Jeff and Pam Johnson.

Eli Magnell, age 11, shot his first turkey on May 5th hunting with his dad Isaac in East Polk County.

RLCC Wrestlers that achieved a 3.0 GPA or higher received a Spotlight on Scholarship Certificate (Back) Gunnar Sandeen, Zoe Russillo, (Front) George Duden, Damon Ferguson, and Tristyn Ferguson.

Red Lake County Fair Board put on a fund raiser for the Baja Race and Demolition on Sunday at the Plummer Hall. They served spaghetti, tossed salad, garlic toast, lemonade and coffee.

Jerome & Barb Novak went to St. George, Utah for a visit to their daughter's home and to attend their Grandson's graduation.

Immanuel WELCA held their Mother-Daughter Tea on Sunday, May 5th. Kelly Dodson led the program with "Treasures" as the theme, reminding us that we are more precious than gems, gold or any earthly item to God.

May 22, 2019

David R. Shetterly wrote a wonderful story about his uncle William Howard Shetterly. He died in 1943 in Sicily before David was born in 1947. As a young guy he heard stories about Uncle Howard and his WWII service in the Army Air Force, but never with much detail.

April 27th was the RLCC 2019 Junior-Senior prom. The juniors decorated the prom for

the theme "Gold All Over the Ground." Prom attendees from RLCC's senior class were: Philip Sorenson, Christian Baker, Isaac Eskeli, Nick Lill, Hannah Riendeau, Justin Nemic, Sydnie Gunderson, Tom Nelson, Sarah Christensen, Connor Lambert, Adrien Verbout, Alex Peterson, Austin Jensen, Julia Bernstein, Grace Gieseke, Daphney Koralewski, Tasha Manning, Lacey Pendleton, and Dawson Rystad.

The Mustangs softball team played West Marshall at Warren on Friday, May 10th. The Mustangs would fall to the Fusion 4-0.

Rebels 4x800 team set the new RLC Rebels' team record with a time of 9:37.88 on May 2. Team members were: Brenden Larson, Brock Tvedt, Brody Moen, and Blane Schmitz.

For RLCC's April Students of the Month, Abigail Walton and Jonathon Roue, were nominated by Mr. Bryan Paskvan.

This weekend we had cold weather but the promised rain held off. That was a good thing for those farmers who are trying to get crops in. Some are done with all their seeding, others are still working on it.

May 29, 2019

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The riders in the Sno Safari had an enjoyable ride and stopped at the warming house for some cocoa and treats.



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## Church news

### OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH

**Zion and Salem**  
**Pastor Linda Molitor**  
**Wed, Jan. 29:** 6:30 p.m. 8th Confirmation, 7:30 p.m. 9th Confirmation. 6 p.m. Chime Choir at Zion.  
**Sun, Feb. 2:** 9:00 a.m. Zion. 9:00 a.m. SS at Salem. 10:00 a.m. SS at Zion. 10:30 a.m. Salem.  
**Tue, Feb. 4:** 9 a.m. Quilting at Zion.  
**Wed, Feb. 5:** 6:30 p.m. 8th Confirmation, 7:30 p.m. 9th Confirmation. 6 p.m. Chime Choir at Zion.

### CATHOLIC PARISHES OF OKLEE, GRYGLA & GOODRIDGE

**Fr. Adam Hamness**  
**Sun, Feb. 2:** 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, Feb. 1:** 5:30 p.m. RLF  
**Sun, Feb. 2:** 8:00 a.m. Brooks. 10:00 a.m. RLF.

### IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA

**Pastor Jonathan Dodson**  
**Sun, Feb. 2:** 9:00 a.m. Worship at Immanuel. 10:15 a.m. SS at Immanuel. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer.

### GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA

**Bethany-Ekelund-Faith Pastor Kristen Ostercamp**  
**Wed, Jan. 29:** 12:30 p.m. Release Time.  
**Sun, Feb. 2:** 8:30 a.m. Ekelund, 9:45 a.m. SS at Ekelund; 9:45 a.m. Faith, 11 a.m. SS at Faith; 11:00 a.m. Bethany, 9:45 a.m. SS at Bethany.  
**Mon, Feb. 3:** 9:00 a.m. Quilting Mission at Faith.  
**Wed, Feb. 5:** 12:30 p.m. Release Time.

### Oklee Senior Site Dining

**February 3 - 7**  
 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:** BBQ on bun, American fries, peas, and dessert.

**Tuesday:** Chicken strip, tossed salad, cottage cheese, toast, and dessert.

**Wednesday:** 6 pc. Shrimp, hash browns, carrots, bread, and dessert.

**Thursday:** Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, corn, garlic toast, and dessert.

**Friday:** Chicken noodle hot-dish, vegetable medley, toast, and dessert.

### CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH

**Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri Pastor Jeff Merseth**  
**Wed, Jan. 29:** 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School.  
**Sat, Feb. 1:** 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.  
**Sun, Feb. 2:** 8:00 a.m. Worship at St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. Sunday School; 8:00 a.m. Nazareth Sunday School, Brunch 9:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. Worship at Nazareth; 9:45 a.m. Oak Park SS, 11:00 a.m. Oak Park.  
**Wed, Feb. 5:** 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School.

### NEW JOURNEY CHURCH Josiah Hoagland, Pastor Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor

www.newjourneyfosston.com  
**Wed, Jan. 29:** 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 6:30 p.m. AWA-NA.  
**Fri, Jan. 31:** 8:30 a.m. Friday School.  
**Sun, Feb. 2:** 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School.  
**Tue, Feb. 4:** 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions. 10:00 a.m. Quilting. 6:30 p.m. Bible Study.  
**Wed, Feb. 5:** 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 6:30 p.m. AWA-NA.

### GULLY-TRAIL PARISH

**Bethany \* Lund Sand Valley Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister**  
**Wed, Jan. 29:** 6:15 p.m. 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> gr. Confirmation.  
**Sun, Feb. 2:** 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley worship, annual meeting & potluck.  
**Wed, Feb. 5:** 6:15 p.m. 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> gr. Confirmation.

### BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston

**Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor**  
**Sun, Feb. 2:** 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

### Oklee Historical Society needs your pop cans!

The Oklee Historical Society is raising funds by collecting aluminum cans. Please bring them to the recycling bin set up near the ice skating rink and fair buildings in Oklee. The money raised will be used for supplies needed to build displays not only on the main floor of City Hall, but to expand the museum area to the upstairs so that full room displays can be set up.

Carpeting is now needed to finish the transformation of a museum area upstairs. All the laminate flooring has been installed and it is beautiful. Thank you to all who donate their pop cans.

10 percent of all money raised by the Historical Society is being set aside in the hopes of raising enough funds for an elevator to be installed so that everyone will have access to the museum.

Your continued support in the aluminum can drive is greatly appreciated by the Oklee Historical Society.

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part of producing a healthy baby. Therefore, it is important to apply for WIC early in your pregnancy. We need no proof of pregnancy.

All potential clients must contact the WIC Program to schedule an appointment.

The following is the schedule of WIC Clinics for the month of February.

**Thursday, February 6:** Red Lake Falls Community Center (City Bldg.)

**Monday, February 10 to Fri, Feb. 14:** Thief River Falls Redeemer Lutheran Church

**Tuesday, February 25:** Grygla Grace Lutheran Church

For further information concerning the WIC program, call or write WIC Quin, PO Box 248, Newfolden, MN 56738, phone 1-800-223-1591, or e-mail at quinchs@wiktel.com.

North Valley Home Health will offer immunizations, dental varnishing & blood lead testing at the Newfolden and Warren clinics from 9 to 11 am. Arrangements should be made prior to clinics by contacting North Valley Public Health. For more information contact North Valley Public Health at 218-745-5154 or 1-800-950-6986.

## Oklee Centennial Cookbook Recipe Corner - From page 523

### Raised Doughnuts Eunice Bourque

1 package active dry yeast  
 1/4 cup warm water  
 1 egg  
 2 Tbsp sugar  
 1 tsp salt  
 1/3 cup butter or margarine  
 3/4 cup milk, scalded  
 3-1/2 to 4 cups flour

Soften yeast in warm water. In mixing bowl, combine egg, sugar, salt, butter, and milk. Cool to lukewarm. Add yeast. Gradually add flour to form stiff dough. Knead on floured surface until smooth and satiny - 3 to 5 minutes. Place in greased bowl, turning dough to grease all sides. Cover and let rise for about an hour in a warm place, until doubled. Roll out dough on floured surface to a thickness of 1/2 inch. Cut with a 3-1/2 inch floured doughnut cutter. Place on ungreased cookie sheets. Let rise again for about 30 minutes, until doubled. Fry in deep fat about 375 degrees for two to three minutes on each side, until golden brown. Drain on absorbent paper. While hot, roll in sugar or glaze.

**Glaze:** Blend together well and drizzle over doughnuts. 1 cup confectioner's sugar, 3 Tbsp milk and 1 Tbsp softened butter



## Now Taking Tree Orders for Spring 2020

Red Lake County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) is taking tree orders now for springs' tree planting season. Anyone interested in purchasing trees from the Red Lake County SWCD should have their order in by February 7, 2020. Tree order forms are available at our office, on our website [www.redlakecounty.org](http://www.redlakecounty.org) on the front page or we can mail you a form. The SWCD office is located in the basement of the MN Wheat Grower's Building south of Red Lake Falls.

If you are interested in placing a tree order, for springs' tree planting season, please call the Red Lake County SWCD office at (218) 253-2593.

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### Sudoku Solution

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

### Oklee Area

#### Veterans' Memorial

Recently a donation was received for the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial from Barb and Cliff Melby, Oklee. The Melby's made a contribution in memory of Leslie Wilde, Thief River Falls, who was known to many in the Oklee area. Mr. Wilde served in the US Army from 1970 - 1974 with the majority of that time being served in Vietnam. Following that commitment he was a member of the Army Reserve from 1974 - 1976.

Donations are used for perpetual care at the Memorial including flag replacement, lawn care and flower beautification. Those donations to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial may be sent to Security State Bank, Box 69, Oklee, MN 56742, Attn: Lori Melby. All questions should be directed to Mary Lynn Bachand at marylbachand@gmail.com.

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

### 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/r/f](http://www.nwrlib.org/r/f) htm at any time, where they can create their own patron accounts to browse, request and renew materials all from their home computers.

The winner of the Winter Reading Program "Book Blizzard" coffee mug last week was Linda Carroll.

Book Blizzard is half over, but adult patrons have all of February to visit the library and register for prizes.

New titles of interest: "The Adventurous Eaters Club" by Misha & Vicki Collins, "mastering the art of family mealtime;" and "Successful Aging" by Daniel J. Levitin, author of "This is Your Brain on Music;" a neuroscientist explores the power and potential of our lives." Recent studies show that our decision-making

skills improve as we age and that our happiness levels peak at age eighty-two. Using a rigorous analysis of neuro-scientific research, Levitin challenges many of the beliefs that surround aging, including our assumptions about memory loss and our focus on life span instead of health span, and provides a practical and realistic plan for what you can do to make the most of your seventies, eighties, and nineties today, no matter how old you are.

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# MUSTANG STAMPEDE

## RLCC Menus

### February 3 - 7 Oklee

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

**Tuesday: Breakfast:** Cereal, toast, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Rice hotdish, breadsticks, string cheese, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

**Wednesday: Breakfast:** French toast w/syrup, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, rice pilaf, vegetables, Un-Crustable, fruit, and milk.

**Thursday: Breakfast:** Cereal, toast, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Corn dog, macaroni & cheese, peas, fruit, and milk.

**Friday: Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Cold subs, chips, carrots & celery, fruit, and milk.

### Plummer

**Monday: Breakfast:** Egg wrap, hot oatmeal, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Mini corn dogs, macaroni & cheese, salad, tomatoes, strawberry short cake, fruit, and milk.

**Tuesday: Breakfast:** Pancakes, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Soft shell taco (hamburger, tomatoes, cheese, lettuce), taco sauce, refried beans, yogurt, fruit, and milk.

**Wednesday: Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Tomato soup, crackers, grilled cheese or PB sandwich, mini carrots, cookie, fruit, and milk.

**Thursday: Breakfast:** Egg omelet, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, dinner roll, fruit, and milk.

**Friday: Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, baby bakes, salad, tomatoes, bread, fruit, and milk.

## Mustang Wrestling Schedule

Feb. 1: Tournament TBD  
Fertile-Beltrami @ Fertile-Beltrami High School

Feb. 8: Dual 11:00AM  
@ Blackduck High School

Feb. 15: Section - TBD  
Thief River Falls @ Ralph Engelstad Arena - TRF

Feb. 21: Section TBD  
Crookston @ Crookston High School

## Basketball Boys Var/JV Schedule

Jan. 30: 6:00PM Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears @ C-G High School

Jan. 31: 6:00PM Warren/Alvarado/Oslo @ W-A-O

Feb. 3: 6:00PM Mahnomen/Waubun @ Mahnomen

Feb. 6: 6:00PM Fosston @ Fosston

Feb. 11: 6:00PM Northern Freeze @ Red Lake Falls

Feb. 14: 6:00PM Sacred Heart @ Sacred Heart High

Feb. 18: 6:00PM Fertile-Beltrami @ Red Lake Falls

Feb. 21: 6:00PM Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears @ Oklee

Feb. 24: 6:00PM Win-E-Mac @ Oklee Sections

Pigtail 2/28/2020 TBD TBA

## Basketball Girls Var/JV Schedule

Jan. 30: 6:00PM Red Lake Falls @ Plummer School

Feb. 4: 6:00PM Kelliher/Northome Oklee School

Feb. 6: 6:00PM Blackduck Public @ Oklee School

Feb. 7: 6:00PM Sacred Heart High @ Plummer School

Feb. 11: 6:00PM Fertile-Beltrami @ Plummer School

Feb. 13: 6:00PM Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears @ C-G High School

Feb. 14: 6:00PM Goodridge/Grygla-Gatzke @ Oklee School

Feb. 18: 6:00PM Mahnomen/Waubun @ Waubun

Wednesday, January 29, 2020



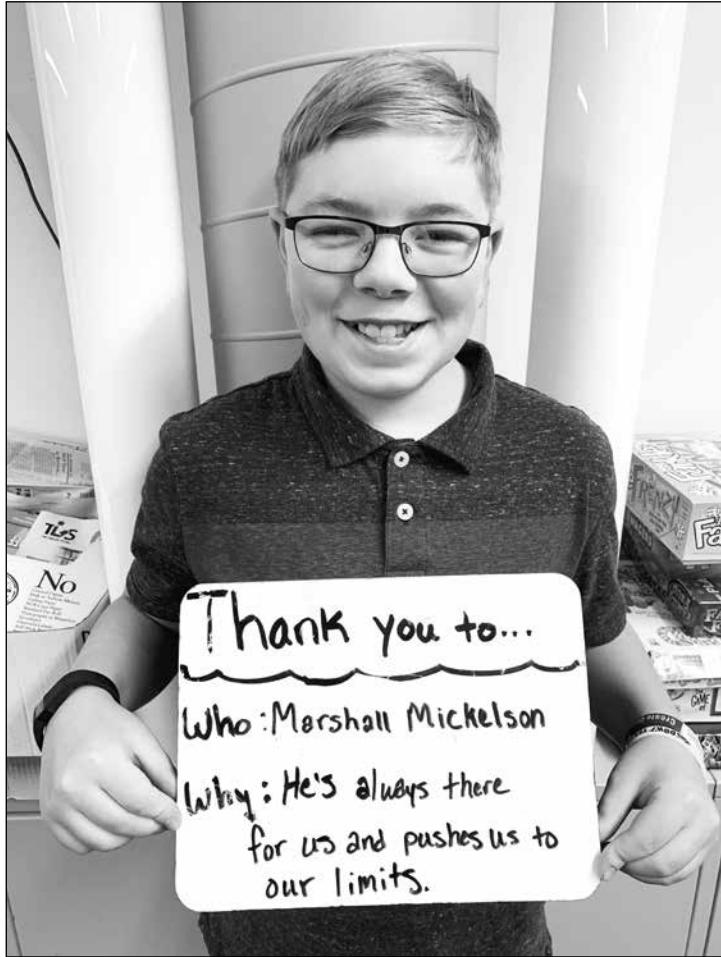
Sophomore Remi Rathack thanking Mrs. Aakhus for "Thank a Coach Week" in Minnesota.



Junior Elijah Rathack thanking Mr. Paskavan for "Thank a Coach Week" in Minnesota.



Junior Janae Olson thanking Mrs. Lundeen for "Thank a Coach Week" in Minnesota.



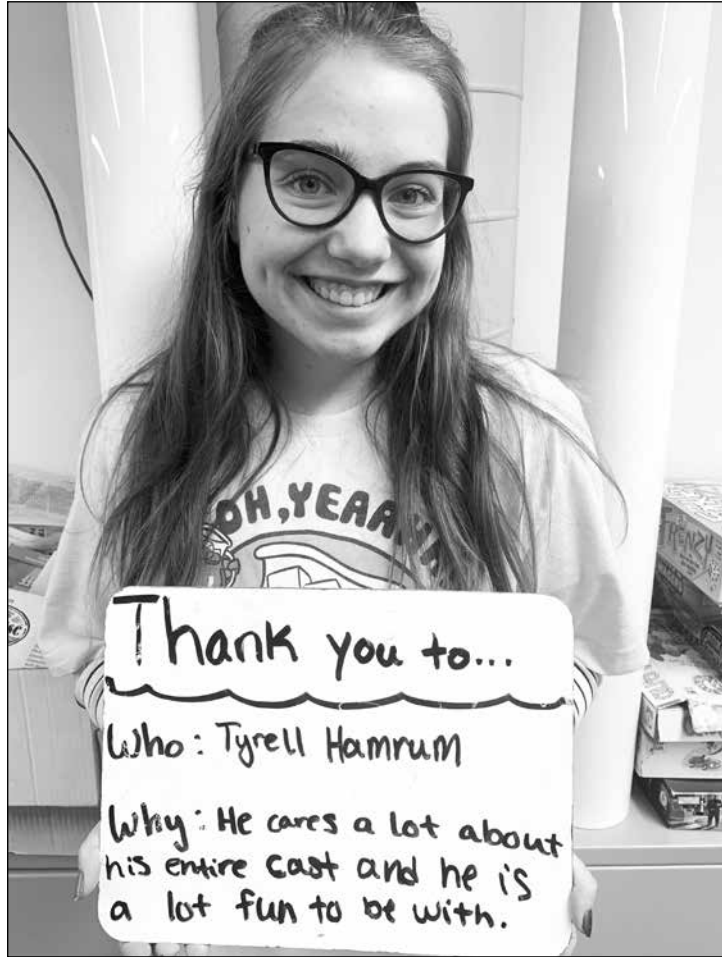
## Thank a Coach Week

By: Karena Melby

In recognition of Thank a Coach/Advisor Week, we honor and support the thousands of coaches and advisors across Minnesota that make an integral, positive and lifelong impact on our students. The impact of coaches and advisors is an asset to our education-based profession, students, school districts and local communities. Thank you, coaches and advisors, for all you do!

Left: 7<sup>th</sup> grade Reuban Osborn thanking Mr. Mickelson for "Thank a Coach Week" in Minnesota.

Right: Junior Emily Kolstoe thanking Mr. Hamrum for "Thank a Coach Week" in Minnesota.



### Girls Basketball team beats

#### Goodridge-Grygla

By: Adriel Bakken

The Red Lake County Central Girls' basketball team played the Goodridge-Grygla Chargers on January 13th in Grygla. They won 60-44.

Jenna Paulen scored twenty-six points, thirteen rebounds, six blocks, and four steals. Kia Bachand scored twenty-four points, one block, six assists, and seven rebounds. Calysa Eskeli had five rebounds, one assist, one steal, four blocks, and six points.

### Girls Basketball Game

By: Adriel Bakken

The Red Lake County Central Girls' basketball team played Laporte in Plummer on January 21st. They won 94-14. Kia Bachand had five rebounds, six assists, three steals, and nineteen points. Jenna Paulen had three rebounds, two assists, fourteen steals, and twenty-five points. Cari Bachand had one rebound, five assists, one steal, and fourteen points. Katelyn Suchy had five rebounds, two assists, one steal, and ten points.

### RLC Rebels

#### Basketball

By: Bella Russillo

RLC Rebels beat Goodridge-Grygla with the score of 58-38 on the 20th. Derek Peterson made 18 points and 3 assists, Eric Gieseke made 5 points and 5 assists, and Trent Goulet made 2 points.

### Important February dates for ECFFE

By: Zachary Benson

**February 4th:** School Readiness 4-5 year olds.

**February 5th:** School Readiness 3 ½- 4 year old class.

**February 6th:** School Readiness 4-5 year olds. ECFFE Infant/Toddler night 6:00-7:00 PM.

**February 11th:** School Readiness 4-5 year olds.

**February 12th:** No class (3-5 year old Preschool Screening) at Oklee site: 8:00-10:00 PM.

**February 13th:** School Readiness 4-5 year olds.

**February 14th:** No School.

**February 17th:** No School.

**February 18th:** School Readiness 4-5 year olds.

**February 19th:** School Readiness 3 ½- 4 year old class.

**February 20th:** School Readiness 4-5 year olds. EFCE Family Fun Night: 6:00-7:00 PM.

**February 25th:** School Readiness 4-5 year olds.

**February 26th:** School Readiness 3 ½- 4 year old class.

**February 27th:** School Readiness 4-5 year olds.

### Important dates for

#### ECFFE coming up

By: Zachary Benson

**Thursday, February 6th:** Infant/Toddler Class #3: "Music Night": Oklee site 6:00 -7:00 PM

There will be different musical instruments being played and they will also be able to take those home. The night will end with a marching parade.

**Thursday, February 20th:** 6:00 -7:00 PM: Plummer Site ECFFE Family Fun Night: 0-5 year olds and families: "BOOK BINGO" will also be played that night until 7:00 PM. ECFFE staff encourages all to come and play for books. If you would like to donate gently used books for "BOOK BINGO" everyone is welcome.

### RLC Rebels

#### Basketball

By: Bella Russillo

RLC Rebels beat Crookston with the score 81-64 on the 16th. Derek Peterson made 20 points and 5 assists, Eric Gieseke made 17 points and 4 assists, Trent Goulet made 8 points and 1 assist, Jake Duden made 8 points, and Carter Williams made 7 points and 1 assist.

## Rebels Strong Start Isn't Enough Against KCC

By: Zachary Benson

The Rebels traveled to Lancaster on January 21st to face a tough Bearcat team. The Rebels came out hot and were winning 16-9 early in

the first half. The shooting of the Rebels would get ice cold and the Bearcats would get red hot throughout the whole rest of the game. The Rebels ended up losing 62-50 and were

outscored 41-27 in the second half. The leading scorers for the Rebels were Derek Peterson with 15 points and Eric Gieseke with 13 points. The Rebels are now 11-4 on the season.



Rebels Basketball huddling during their game in Lancaster on January 21<sup>st</sup>.

## MEET THE KINDERGARTEN OF RED LAKE COUNTY CENTRAL



Name: Oliver Svendsen  
Parent(s): Lori Gulseth and Dad  
What do your parent(s) do for a living? Mom works at Walmart. My dad...I don't know. He stays home.  
Sibling(s): Lucille, Arlo, Everett, Jesse, Victor, Walter.

Pet(s): Maggie (dog), Shadow & Max (cats)  
What do you want to be when you grow up? Cop.  
Favorite movie: Star Wars  
Favorite food: Watermelon  
Favorite school activity: Play  
Favorite color: Red  
Favorite toy: Hot Wheels.  
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Name: Alexis Baumann  
Parent(s): Chris and Andi  
What do your parent(s) do for a living? My dad works at a building. My mom works at a girls house.  
Sibling(s): I have a sister and her name is Roxie.  
Pet(s): A cat named Tipper, 3 dogs.  
What do you want to be when



you grow up? Unicorn.  
Favorite movie: Little Einsteins  
Favorite food: Ice Cream  
Favorite school activity: iPads.  
Favorite color: Pink & Purple.  
Favorite toy: Microphone











Why did the Turkeys cross the road?  
Nobody knows....but they took their time doing it.



Wednesday on Polk County Road 6, a large group of turkeys was in the process of crossing the road near the Lost River bridge. When they saw a car coming they turned around and went the way the came. Go figure!



Adult male turkeys are called toms and females are called hens. ... A group of turkeys is called a rafter or a flock. The wild turkey is one of only two birds native to North America that has been regularly domesticated, and domestic wild turkeys are raised all over the world.

4-H Ice Fishing Trip to Lake of the Woods

An ice fishing adventure can teach patience, respect, and value. It's a shared tradition that mixes fun and fishing! A group of (20) 4-H youth and adults participated in a one-day ice fishing trip to "Ballard's Resort" at Lake of the Woods on Sunday, January 19, 2020. The Red Lake County 4-H Leader's Council contributed three-fourths of the cost and the member one-fourth.

The resort guides brought the group out in heated bombardiers and then to their fish houses. The six houses were heated and all set-up for the participants. The guides helped throughout the day. They would check in with each house to make sure that everything was going all right. For some, this was their first experience at ice fishing. The fish were biting!

At the end of the day, the guides picked up everyone and brought them back to the resort. They cleaned and packaged the



95 fish that the group caught for the day. Everyone had a great time and went home with fish!

**Year in Review...**  
**Continued from page 1.**  
Graduation was held Friday, May 24, 2019 at the High School in Oklee. The ceremony began at 5:30 p.m. Twenty-five seniors received their diplomas and now are following their path to their future.

Flowers were planted around Oklee this week including 420 red and white petunias at the Oklee Area Veterans Memorial! Volunteers with the Oklee Garden Club planted during a break in the weather. Working on this project were Barb Melby, Phyllis Melby, Linda McCloskeyRose Skallet and Mary Lynn Bachand.

Bonnie Borene is retiring from CHS Northland Grain and a party is planned to help her celebrate.

Twenty-one of Mrs. Patty Mickelson's music students who had competed at vocal or instrumental contests during this school year gave a special performance at RLCC's Music Night: Jayden Iverson, Leilah VanDam, Izzy Plante, Lilly Hanson, Emily Kolstoe, Noah Hanson, George Duden, Taya Morinville, AJ Jones, Bella Russillo, Katelyn Suchy, Phillip Sorenson, Karena Melby, Janae Olson, Adriel Bakken, Marie Johnson, Thomas Benson, Brody Moen, Brock Tvedt, Sidney Olson, and Abby Walton.

On May 5th, family – neighbors – friends gathered at the Al Ste. Marie farm for an evening of ditch cleaning. The group adopted Co. Rd. 12 between Hwy. 92 at Terrebonne, north 3 miles to Co. Rd. 1 in memory of Jeannette Ste. Marie, who was seen by many walking that road from Spring to Fall. The group plans on cleaning the ditch twice a year. Burger Brats and Beverages served after.

This was a busy Holiday Weekend. All the graduations and parties were in full swing. The rain didn't help the guests but they didn't mind with all the food and good visiting that went on. On Friday night the skies opened up to really heavy rain for some and the driving in that weather was hard. The visibility was scant to say the least.

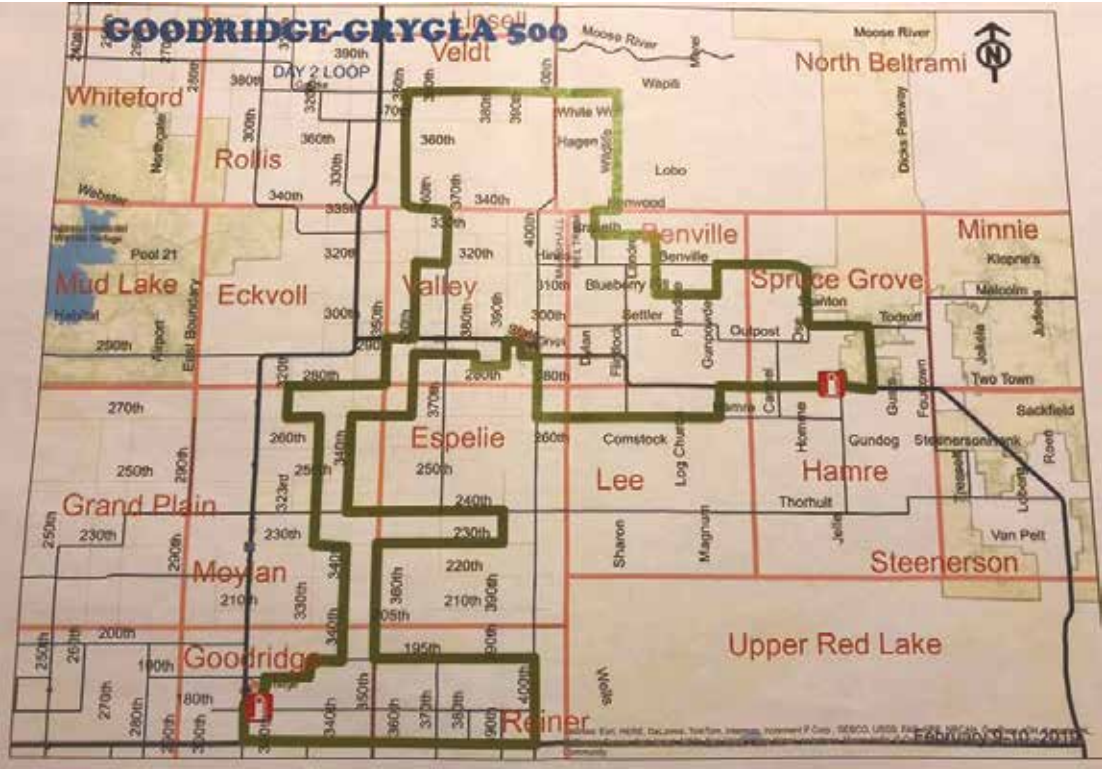
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| FLIES   | ABA     | TOTER  |
| LEND    | LAY     | SNORE  |

Goodridge Grygla 500 maps



Saturday, February 8th, loop. Maps courtesy of Nicole Kiesow



Sunday, February 9th, loop. Maps courtesy of Nicole Kiesow

What Happened to Aanon (Onin) Nese?

With the advent of the new Agderlag celebrations in Fargo, they expect to get requests from Norwegian-Americans and Norwegians asking for assistance in making connections with relatives. Sure enough they have had an email from Vidar Lande in Norway asking if there is anyway to find out what happened to a long lost relative. (Vidar Lande visited Oklee a few years ago.)

This is an unusual request because his relative Aanon (Onin) Nese went missing between 1920-1930. Aanon came to Minnesota to live with the Skomdal (Skomedahl) family around 1901-1902 and disappeared sometime between 1920-1930.

Some of you may remember Gunder Skomdal who was the last surviving owner of the Skomdal farm (turkey, chickens), just north of Oklee. (First house on the road leading to the Zion Cemetery). Gunder did not know what happened to Aanon.

If anyone has any information or heard rumors about Aanon's disappearance, please contact the Oklee Herald Office so we can pass on the information.



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