

Oklee Precipitation By Einar Kvasager

	Rain	Snow
Feb. 8		Trace
Feb. 9		0.25
Feb. 10		Trace
Feb. 11		Trace
Feb. 12		1.00
Total in.	0.00	1.25

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2019 Year in Review...

August 7, 2019

Two youth from Red Lake County developed critical leadership skills during week-long experience. 43 Minnesota youth, including Sidney Olson and Tanisha Srnsky attended the 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) experience in Washington, DC June 22-29, 2019.

The RLCC White team won the Consolation Championship at the Cadets World Series. They lost their 1st game to Red Lake Falls, but then beat Clearbrook/Gonvick, Fertile/Beltrami, Win-E-Mac, and then beat Red Lake Falls to win the Consolation.

The Red Lake County Rebels Boys' basketball team ended the summer with a tournament in Red Lake Falls and a final tournament in Perham.

After a weekend of hot & humid weather, that brought scattered showers & thunderstorms, most of us didn't receive enough rain and some of us didn't get any. But at least the storms were not nasty and cause damage to the crops that are almost ready to harvest.

August 14, 2019

During the 4-H Awards Program, Chris & Valerie Shulstad presented to the audience the new Emerging Leaders for Red Lake County, Ben & Mikayla Tabert. The Emerging Leadership Program has its roots in the King Agassiz Program, first adopted by the Red River Valley Winter Shows [RRVWS] in 1961. County Kings were those individuals identified to represent counties at the RRVWS. That title was later changed (1994) to Agassiz Leaders.

On August 4th, Humbleberry Farms held their Annual Elberta Peach Day when everyone who ordered can pick up their lugs of peaches. In addition to the peaches, they have a quonset filled with all kinds of wonderful items for sale from local artisans.

Oklee Market Day had something for everyone. There were local food vendors and Pickleball Tournaments, Corn Hole Tournament, a Mini-Carnival for kids of all ages by the school and down town there were old fashioned games for all ages and a sandpile dig for kids. A Chalk Art Contest decorated the streets of Oklee.

The Oklee High School Class of 1969 held their 50th Reunion on August 3rd in Oklee. Many of the classmates were in attendance. Attending were: Stanley Solheim, Tom Sweno, Delmer Nesland, Steve Radniecki, Bob Melby, Gary Weberg, Gary LaCousiere, Loren Vetteson, Bryan Paradis, Bob Reinbold, Bob Berberich, Connie (Tasa) Carlson, Renee (Champagne) Radniecki, Joy (Chervestad) Johnson, Becky (Melby) Svarren, Mary (Boucher) Walseth, Marilyn (Lefebvre) Stonehouse, and Bob Hruby.

The weather has been very nice, if not a little cool, most will take it over the hot, hot days of August. It is good working outside weather too!

August 21, 2019

The Hero Hustle 5K volunteers were: Bobbi DuChamp, Kim Olson, Tracy Hamm, Sylvia Majeres, Bobbie Olson, and Jill Chervestad.

The winners (Heroes) of the 5K were: 12 & under - Eli Nelson (24:24 and Ashlyn Nelson (24:50); 13-18 - Caden Lee (32:41) and Shawna Majeres (29:20); 19-29 - none; 30-39 - no men and Brittania Nahlen (25:51); 40-49 - Quentin Pahlen (25:40 and Michelle Bakken (29:36); 50-59 - Larry (Snook) Olson (43:14 and Holly Spong (30:25); and 60 and over - Bob Melby (46:11 and Mary Jo Mugaas (31:06).

Last Thursday on the way to Thief River Falls, on the Casino road it started raining and soon could no longer see as the rain was coming down so hard until about 4 miles from Thief River

Polk County DFL Caucus Will Be February 25th



Polk County DFL members and volunteers preparing for the upcoming Polk County caucus on February 25th.

The Polk County DFL directors and volunteers gathered at the Crookston Library on February 8 to plan the DFL caucuses for Polk County. The

DFL caucuses will be held on February 25, 2020 at 7:00 P.M., with registration beginning at 6:30 P.M. While Minnesota

will have a primary to select the Democratic presidential candidate on March 3, the caucuses allow voters to meet other

Democrats, propose amendments to the party platform, to present resolutions, and to become a delegate to the state

and national convention. Information and the list of caucus sites, is also available at www.polkcountycldf.org.

Firemen's Blizzard Bonanza Feb. 29th



Tim Eggebraaten

This annual event is very well attended and I'm sure everyone is making their plans once again to attend this fun evening of great food and en-

tertainment. Along with that is many raffles for a variety of meats, guns and possible other items.

Entertainment this year will start with the famous Detroit Lakes retired police officer Tim Eggebraaten, who will once again be the emcee for this fun

event. He is a great entertainer and everyone enjoys his wit and music.

During the evening there will be other entertainment by the Linebenders. They performed in Oklee on February 24, 2014..

The Linebenders have been

performing from coast to coast since 2001 and features a cast of characters you might recognize from TV, Radio, Film and right next door. Come ready to laugh and enjoy a fun night out with The Linebenders! - the improv professionals.

The meal is a Fish Fry, tick-



Falls when it stopped abruptly and the highway was perfect.

August 28, 2019

Tri-Valley Opportunity Council was "On The Go" this summer, and on August 15th, they stopped in Brooks, Oklee, Red Lake Falls to visit with people in those areas and to let them know about all the programs they offer for people. There are many programs that senior citizens can use to make their lives easier.

A book/author program was scheduled for Thursday, September 26 at 6:00 pm at the RLF Library, when writer & author Christopher Ingraham will talk about his new book "If You Lived Here You'd Be Home By Now: Why We Traded the Commuting Life for a Little House on the Prairie."

The 2019 Rebel football season started on August 12th. This year 60 players have reported in grades 7th-12th. The breakdown of players include 10 seniors, 11 juniors, 7 sophomores, 6 8th graders and 16 7th graders.

This morning began with bright sun shining. It didn't take too long before clouds appeared and the sun disappeared. Now this afternoon it is trying to show a little sunshine again.

Our Redeemer Church in Plummer celebrated their 100th year anniversary on Sunday with a dinner that was catered and bars that were donated. There was a good turnout of around 100 people. It was an enjoyable day for everyone.

Thursday, the combines were going east of Hwy 59 between Brooks and Plummer. There were three in one field.

CSAH 53 & 22 in Oklee to be redone

On February 11, 2020, the Red Lake County Commissioners met with John Dudycha, Anthony Flage, and Ron Weiss present.

Nick Knott, County Treasurer presented the financial report on the bonds and other savings items. Most are doing very well, but the US Treasury bond interest rate has fallen to 1.48%.

Knott also asked for permission to purchase 3 new computers due to Windows 7 no longer being supported, which could cause security concerns. Weiss made a motion for the Treasurer's office to spend up to \$4,000, seconded by Dudycha. Carried.

Tanya Hanson from the Red Lake County Soil Water Conservation District requesting two shoreland permits to be approved for Enbridge to complete maintenance in the Oklee area. Dudycha made the motion, Weiss seconded, carried.

Eric Hove, County Highway Engineer came with five items for the board.

First he said that the annual allotment of State Aid is up \$200,000. with the balance at \$13.2 million. This money is meant to be used for project in the 5 year plan that was approved at a earlier meeting. It is important to show that we are using the funds, Hove said.

The City of Oklee project is scheduled for 2021 on CSAH 53 & 22 (the county roads that go through Oklee). Hove met Monday, February 9th, with the City of Oklee and a six page agreement will be signed about who's responsible for each part of the project.

The City of Oklee will have their attorney look over the contract. Hove explained that the County will be responsible for 100% of the road, sidewalk, basic streetlights, and drainage of the road. If Oklee wants fancy lighting, has to replace sewer, or other items, that will be their expense. The lighting will be turned over to the City of Oklee after it is completed and they will be responsible for maintenance of the streetlights.

Hove stated he need an approval for the agreement he just spoke about, the County Attorney has looked it over and the projected cost is expected to be between 1 to 2 million which will come out of the State Aid monies. Dudycha made a motion, Weiss seconded, carried.

Hove expects to be opening bids this time next year for the Oklee project.

Next Hove presented to bids for an Engineering Contract for the Oklee Project. The County Roads Committee went through both bids and recommends WSB. They are a Minnesota company based out of the Metro area with offices in Fargo and Brainerd. Once the contract is approved, survey, public outreach, and design can be with the goal of opening bids this time next year. The contract fee is to not exceed \$266,790 and if at any time the county is not satisfied with their work, we have the right to discontinue services. This is also budgeted for and eligible for state aid construction funding. Weiss made a motion, seconded by Dudycha, carried.

The fourth item on Hove's agenda was a proposed 2020 equipment purchase. Hove would like to replace unit #28 (1995 Chevrolet pickup) with a Chevrolet Equinox. Hove has gotten a quote from Thiberts matching the State Bid price and they have offered a trade in value of the 1995 pickup. Final price with taxes and licensing would be \$26,485.44. A motion from Weiss was made, Dudycha seconded for the purchase of the Equinox.

Last on his agenda was the replacement of overhead doors and one opener on the Red Lake Falls shop. The current doors are very old and not well insulated. They received two quotes and the low quote is from Northern Garage Door from Bemidji for \$17,820. The new doors will be insulated to R26 and will help reduce heating costs. This project was also included in the budget approved by the board for 2020. A question was asked about warranty. Hove said he didn't know for sure, but if there isn't, he will not award the job and will come back to the board. A motion was made by Dudycha, seconded by Weiss, carried.

The minutes were approved and the expenditures were looked over an approved. Committee reports were given by Weiss - NW Regional Development, Area on Aging, and Correction.

Dudycha had attended the same meetings as Weiss and had nothing in addition to report, except to have Mary Ann Lambert approved for a board. Flage reported on his AMC meeting and read a card of thanks from Jean Plante for the watch she received for her 30 years of service. Meeting was adjourned.

ets sold separately at various business's around town, the price is \$15.00. Only 350 meal tickets are for sale, so if you want to partake in the meal, purchase them soon.

This year you can purchase raffle tickets separately which includes some pretty nice prizes is also available at local business and costs \$5.00. Prizes include: 1st) Legacy Pointer 12 gauge Over-Under; 2nd) Samsung 50" Smart TV; 3rd \$75 Oklee Lumber certificate; 4th) \$75 D&R grocery certificate; and 5th) \$75 Red lake County Coop certificate. Only 600 tickets have been printed for this raffle. Drawing will be held at the Oklee Community Hall at 10 p.m.

Photo left: Linebenders enjoying a pre-show meal in 2014! Gotta love rural Minnesota hospitality and their delicious cheesy potatoes. — with J.J. Gordon, Tim Larson, Natalie Deutsch and Jacob Hartje.

Calendar of Events

Wed, Feb. 19:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. - Bridge/Cards.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
Thu, Feb. 20:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. - Bingo.
Fri, Feb. 21:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
Sat, Feb. 22:
-Support your local business - Shop Locally!
Sun, Feb. 23:
-Worship at the church of your choice.
Mon, Feb. 24:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
Tue, Feb. 25:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
Wed, Feb. 26:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. - Bridge/Cards.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
Thu, Feb. 27:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. - Bingo.
Fri, Feb. 28:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
Sat, Feb. 29: Leap Year
-Support your local business - Shop Locally!
Sun, March 1:
-Worship at the church of your choice.
Mon, March 2:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
Tue, March 3:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
Wed, March 4:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. - Bridge/Cards.

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Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Linda Molitor
Wed, Feb. 19: 6:30 p.m. 8th Confirmation, 7:30 p.m. 9th Confirmation. 6 p.m. Chime Choir at Zion.
Thu, Feb. 20: 7:00 p.m. Bible Study at Zion.
Sun, Feb. 23: 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. 25: 9 a.m. Quilting at Zion.
Wed, Feb. 26: 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service at Salem.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF OKLEE, GRYGLA & GOODRIDGE
Fr. Adam Hamness
Sun, Feb. 23: 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. 22: 5:30 p.m. RLF
Sun, Feb. 23: 8:00 a.m. Brooks. 10:00 a.m. RLF.

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, Feb. 23: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer. 9:15 a.m. SS at Immanuel. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith
Pastor Kristen Ostercamp
Wed, Feb. 19: 12:30 p.m. Release Time. 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study at Faith.
Sun, Feb. 23: 10:00 a.m. Youth Sunday - Joint Services at Ekelund. No SS - Sunday Schools sing. Dinner to follow. Joint meeting of the Church Councils.
Mon, Feb. 24: 9:00 a.m. Quilting Mission at Faith.
Wed, Feb. 26: 12:30 p.m. Release Time. 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship at Bethany.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive - Nazareth
Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed, Feb. 19: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School. 7:00 p.m. Oak Park Ladies Aid.
Sat, Feb. 22: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, Feb. 23: 8:00 a.m. Worship at St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. Sunday School; 8:45 a.m. Nazareth Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Worship at Nazareth; 9:45 a.m. Oak Park SS, 11:00 a.m. Oak Park.
Tue, Feb. 25: 6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday at St. Petri.
Wed, Feb. 26: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School. Nazareth - 6:00 p.m. Soup/Sandwich. Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.
Thu, Feb. 27: 5:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday at Mt. Olive.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Feb. 19: 9:30 a.m. Christian Women's Club. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 6:30 p.m. AWANA.
Fri, Feb. 21: Friday School
Sun, Feb. 23: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, Feb. 25: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions. 10:00 a.m. Quilting.
Wed, Feb. 26: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 6:30 p.m. AWANA.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, Feb. 19: 6:15 p.m. 7th & 8th gr. Confirmation.
Sun, Feb. 23: 9:00 a.m. Lund, 10:30 a.m. Bethany.
Wed, Feb. 26: Lund - 6:00 p.m. Soup/bread supper, 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday service.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sun, Feb. 23: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

Sudoku Solution

8	2	9	3	1	6	7	5	4
6	5	1	8	4	7	9	2	3
4	7	3	9	5	2	1	6	8
1	4	2	6	7	9	8	3	5
9	6	5	4	8	3	2	1	7
3	8	7	1	2	5	4	9	6
7	9	4	5	6	1	3	8	2
5	1	8	2	3	4	6	7	9
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Plans and proposals may be procured by purchase from the Red Lake County Highway Department, 204 7th Street Southeast, Red Lake Falls, MN 56750.

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Bids must be accompanied by a cashier's check or bidder's bond made payable to the Red Lake County Treasurer in the amount of at least 5% of the total bid.

The Red Lake County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept any bid or reject any or all bids, waive irregularities, and award the contract in the best interest of Red Lake County.

Robert Schmitz - Red Lake County Auditor

Operation Round Up® Grant Applications due Friday, Feb. 28th

Organizations involved in community projects and charities are encouraged to apply for funds from Operation Round Up at this time. Completed grant applications are due in the Red Lake Electric Cooperative (RLEC) office by Friday, February 28th.

Operation Round Up is a program adopted by RLEC headquartered in Red Lake Falls. Members choosing to "round up" their monthly electric bill payment provide funds for this effort. Today 96% of RLEC members now choose to contribute pennies each month to enhance their communities.

Funds will be donated primarily to nonprofit organizations to help fund specific projects or programs. Since the program began in 1993, \$562,816 has been granted to community organizations and charities. Money is donated for the betterment of the community within the outside service area boundaries of RLEC.

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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NW Historic Minnesota Update

About every four months, the display in the Oklee Community Center gets changed out. This is a project sponsored by the NW Historic Minnesota Group which is comprised of members of local museums in NW Minnesota.

This project is all about the Fur Trade and the history of

the area and people involved.

There is a brochure on the side of the display that lists all the other museums involved.

This particular display talks about the Changing International Borders.

Crossword Solution

LABOR	RIM	BALI
ANIME	ERA	RELIC
TORAH	SAC	ENEMY
EARHART	AUSTEN	
	ANA	RUSE
CUT	GIRO	ANEMIA
UTAH	TASK	TRAMP
RICO	ANTRA	SCAG
ICING	DRIE	TOGA
EATERS	USAF	NOR
	AHEM	CIA
CHANEL	FIGURES	
JOUST	BRA	URIAH
OKRAS	OUT	RUSSO
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MUSTANG STAMPEDE

RLCC Menus



February 24 - 28

Oklee

Monday: Breakfast: Apple fritter, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** BBQ's w/bun, baked beans, chips, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Waffle w/syrup, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken strips, au gratin potatoes, vegetable, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Fish w/tarter sauce, mashed potatoes w/butter, vegetable, cookie, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Taco in a bag or soft shell, Spanish rice, refried beans, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Tomato soup, grilled cheese, crackers, carrots & celery, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Monday: Breakfast: Egg patty, sausage, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Pork rib, au gratin potatoes, broccoli, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Waffles, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** K-2: Hamburger w/bun, cheese & pickles; 3-6: Subs; All: Sun chips, corn, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Coffee cake, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** K-2: Subs; 3-6: Hamburger w/bun, cheese & pickles; All: Hash browns, baked beans, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Diced chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, tea roll, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hot dog w/bun, salad bar, gingerbread, fruit, and milk.



Mustang Wrestling Schedule

Feb. 21: Section TBD
Crookston @ Crookston High School

Basketball Boys Var/JV Schedule

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

Feb. 24: 6:00PM Win-E-Mac @ Oklee
Sections
Pigtail 2/28/2020 TBD

TBA
Play-in Round 3/5/2020
TBD TBA
Quarters 3/7/2020 TBD

TBA
Semis 3/9/2020 TBD TBA
Section 3/13/2020 TBD
TBA

Basketball Girls Var/JV Schedule

Sections
Pigtail 2/24/2020 TBD
TBA

Play-in Round 2/27/2020
TBD TBA
Quarters 2/29/2020 TBD
TBA Ralph Arena - TRF

Semis 3/2/2020 TBD TBA
Ralph Arena - TRF
Section 3/6/2020 TBD
TBA, TBA Ralph Arena - TRF

Wednesday, February 19, 2020



The RLC Boys' Basketball team pictured with coaches celebrating Coach Philion's 600 wins!

Rebels take care of Freeze in OT

By: Zach Benson

The Rebels faced off against the Northern Freeze on February 11th in Red Lake Falls. Both teams shot exceptionally well from the field right away. The Rebels led 31-27 at the half.

The Freeze came out hot however and managed to force the game into overtime. The Rebels would outscore the freeze 12-7 however and go on to win 69-64.

The leading scorers for the Rebels were Derek Peterson

with 22 points and fellow guard Eric Gieseke with 18 points. The Rebels advance to 18-4 with that win.

Dean Hesse, RLCC Bus Driver

By: Zachary Benson

The bus driver interview this week is about Mr. Dean Hesse.

Dean is from the Plummer area. He is one of the head bus drivers at RLCC and has been there for many years. The thing he enjoys most about his job is when children respect him and the other bus drivers.

He is married with 2 chil-

dren and enjoys working with his cattle and horses on his farm.

RLCC Mustangs Basketball Game

By: Bella Russillo

The RLCC Mustangs Basketball team won against Fertile with a score of 65-44 on the 11th.

Jenna Phalen made 25 points and 3 assists, Kia Bachand made 19 points and 2 assists, Cari Bachand made 7 points and 3 assists, and Sidney Olson made 6 points.



Sidney Olson pictured with Jim Weinzierl, Executive Secretary of MSHSL Region 8A during the AAA banquet.

AAA Award

By: Karena Melby

The AAA Award stands for arts, athletics, and academics. To qualify for this award, the student must be in at least one sport and one art their senior year, as well as hold a 3.25

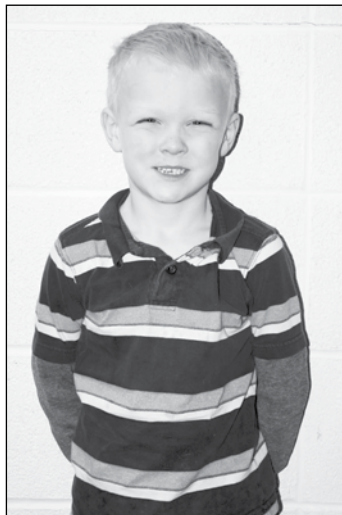
GPA or above.

This year's AAA Award has been presented to Sidney Olson. Sidney participates in softball and trap. She is also in choir and has done solo/ensemble contests as well.



Kia Bachand with a jump shot against Sacred Heart on Feb. 7.

MEET THE KINDERGARTEN OF RED LAKE COUNTY CENTRAL



Name: Noah Kruchowski
Parents: Jesse & Sarah Kruchowski

What do your parent(s) do for a living: clean the house and mop the floor
Siblings: Jack, Rueben, Gretta, Stella
Pet(s): Dog named Jacke-bye?

What do you want to be when you grow up: Farmer
Favorite Movie: Monster Trucks
Favorite Food: Spaghetti
Favorite school activity: Work
Favorite color: Red, Blue & Green
Favorite toy: Combine



Name: Braylee Lundeen
Parents: Chad & Mary Lundeen

What do your parent(s) do for a living: They go somewhere
Siblings: Rylan, Dylan
Pet(s): Cat
What do you want to be when you grow up: Farmer
Favorite Movie: Frozen
Favorite Food: Hot dogs
Favorite school activity: Gym
Favorite color: Pink
Favorite toy: Dolls



Name: Ruben Aquino
Parents: Kristen and Ruben

What do your parent(s) do for a living: I don't know
Siblings: Isaiah, Ky, Max, Kalina
Pet(s): No
What do you want to be when you grow up: Fireman
Favorite Movie: I don't know
Favorite Food: Fries
Favorite school activity: Play
Favorite color: Red
Favorite toy: Play gun

RLCC Mustangs Basketball Game

By: Bella Russillo

The RLCC Mustangs Basketball team won against Sacred Heart with a score of 75-52 on the 7th. Kia Bachand made

22 points and 4 assists, Cari Bachand made 18 points and 4 assists, Jenna Phalen made 12 points and 3 assists, and Marissa Thomas made 9 points and 1 assist.

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 until 5:00 p.m., and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. On-line patrons are reminded that they can visit www.nwrlib.org/rlf.htm at any time, where they can create their own patron accounts to browse, request and renew materials all from their home computers.

The winner of the Winter Reading Program "Book Blizzard" coffee mug last week was Joy Schmidt. Only a couple more weeks of winter....adult reading program, that is! Stop by your wonderful community library and register to win. Drawings for 3 red zip-front "book blizzard" hoodies will

take place on February 29, which will conclude this year's program.

The second of the Winter Concert Series: Strings takes place next Tuesday, February 25 at 6:00 pm when jazz guitarist Briand Morrison, son of artist George Morrison, will perform a concert. As a special feature, Briand will include a visual presentation on his father's art, into which he will incorporate his musical talent. George Morrison (1919 - April 17, 2000) was an American landscape painter and sculptor of Ojibwe ancestry. He is well known for wood collage sculptures and for his landscape paintings. This will be a unique event, free of charge and open to the public, as are all Minnesota Library Legacy programs.

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The Red Lake County Rebels 7th Grade team played Clearbrook-Gonvick on Monday, February 10th at RLCC High School in Oklee. The score was 52-30 RLC.



January's Student of the Month with their nominating teacher, from left to right: Mr. Johanneck, Ryan Tvedt (JH nominee), Zach Howard (SH nominee), and Mr. Baril.

Students of the Month
By: Karena Melby
Junior High January student of the month is Ryan Tvedt and Senior High is Zach Howard. Mr. Kory Baril awarded Zach and Mr. Ray Johanneck awarded Ryan. Mr. Johanneck chose

Ryan for his kindness and politeness. He also says he always participates and never has a negative attitude. Mr. Baril chose Zach for his efforts in school and extracurriculars. He said that Zach is also someone who never complains.





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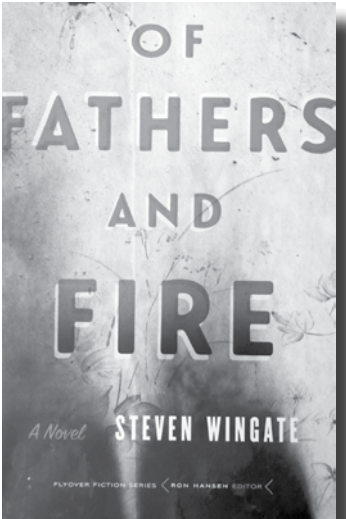
Writers & Writing by Michael Tidemann

Tidemann started his journalism career at the Bismarck Tribune in 1978 and began college teaching career as a graduate teaching assistant at the University of South Dakota in Vermillion in 1977. He has worked at newspapers in Iowa and the Dakotas and his work has appeared in Overdrive, Writer's Journal, the San Diego Union-Tribune and Snowmobile. (Michael Tidemann writes from Estherville, Iowa. His author page is amazon.com/author/michaeltidemann.)

Of Fathers and Fire succeeds on many levels

Magic realism is most convincing when it places ordinary characters in extraordinary situations. That's exactly what South Dakota State University associate professor Steven Wingate does in his novel *Of Fathers and Fire*. Tommy Sandor, disenchanted teenage son of a single mother, Connie, lives in 1980 Suborney, Colo., at the height of the Iran hostage crisis, but at the same time has a burning thirst within him for something more – a thirst that's quenched when the religious sect led by his biological father, Richard Thorpe, comes to Suborney. Tommy is at first unaware that Richard Thorpe is his father, but instead believes his mother's story that his father was a New York sax player and drug addict named Drake, whom Tommy emulates, even to the point of constantly playing a saxophone he found in the trunk of wrecked car in the junkyard where he works. As Thorpe struggles to find a way to tell Tommy that he's his father, Connie still lives the lie she told Tommy about Drake. As Tommy gradually

comes to know the truth about Thorpe who set the fire to his grandfather Gregory Holmquist's television store, killing Holmquist, he also learns that his mother and grandmother changed their names and fled from Thorpe. Tommy also learns how Thorpe, and his religious sect The Sons and Daughters of



Of Fathers and Fire
Steven Wingate
University of Nebraska Press
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Jesus and Mary, stalked Connie Sandor, formerly Jeanette Holmquist, from Nebraska to Bird City, Kan., and finally to Suborney. Like his father who can make rain, Tommy has a special power – the ability to make creeks and rivers rise and fall. Thorpe tells Tommy that, while he has a power, he has not yet learned to master it. “You were like a five-year-old driving a plane.” Connie, too, has her own power, but a destructive one – the power to make fire. In time, the powers of the three family members result in a tragedy that none of them can prevent. Wingate's novel is convincing, yet raises more questions than answers. Did Thorpe actually cause the fire with his own powers, or could Jeanette, or Connie, have had a hand in starting the fire that claimed her father? Where do Connie, Thorpe and Tommy go at the end of the novel? Does Connie ever find the religious redemption her son so fervently seeks for her? The book demands a sequel. (Michael Tidemann writes from Estherville, Iowa. His author page is amazon.com/author/michaeltidemann.)



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1. Cause for September celebration

6. Net holder

9. Island near Java

13. “Pokémon,” e.g.

14. *Alice Paul and Crystal Eastman wrote its first version in 1923, acr.

15. Archeologist’s find

16. Synagogue scroll

17. Bag in Paris

18. “Behind ___ Lines”

19. *Aviation pioneer

21. *She rebelled against sentimental novel

23. Nurses’ org.

24. Deceptive maneuver

25. Director’s cry

28. Snow and cycling helmet
- manufacturer

30. Low hemoglobin

35. Bryce Canyon state

37. Something to do

39. Lady’s Bella Notte date

40. Puerto ____

41. Bone hollow

43. Slang for heroin

44. Cake cover

46. ____ and drab

47. Roman robe

48. “Purple People ____,” pl.

50. Defender of skies, acr.

52. Easter lead-in

53. Attention-getting interjection

55. Pres. Truman’s 1947 creation, acr.

57. *She originated the little black dress

60. *”Hidden ____”

64. Knights’ feat of strength

65. *Mary Phelps Jacob patented the 1st modern one

67. Dickens’ Heep

68. Ladies’ fingers

69. Three strikes

70. Actress Rene

71. Crowd-sourced review platform

72. Lilliputian

73. Master of ceremonies

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1. Better than never?

2. a.k.a. midget buffalo

3. 100 cents in Ethiopia

4. D-Day beach

5. Move a picture

6. Breather

7. Investment option, acr.

8. Last European colony in China

9. Crooked

10. Sheltered, nautically

11. Trace or outline

12. Slippery surface

15. Feel indignant about something

20. Indian cuisine dip

22. *Sally Ride was 1st woman in space for this country

24. Speaker’s platform

25. *1st person to win two Nobel Prizes

26. Carthage’s ancient rival

27. Implied

29. *She developed philosophy of Objectivism

31. Formerly, formerly

32. *Home of Wesleyan College, first college chartered to grant degrees for women

33. Insect, post-metamorphosis

34. *Inventor of a newborn screening test

36. Use a whetstone

38. Caitlyn Jenner’s ex

42. Primitive calculators

45. Ulysses and Cary

49. Female

51. *Singular of #60 Across

54. Tennis-affected joint

56. Gold, to a chemist

57. Pepsi rival

58. Fling

59. Rush job notation

60. Inevitable occurrence

61. Reduced instruction set computer

62. Alleviate

63. Old Woman’s home

64. *Jennifer Lawrence played her in eponymous 2015 movie

66. Rivoli in Paris, e.g.

Bonny’s Bits... okleeherald@gmail.com

February is soon over and the warmth of March and April are soon here. March can be cold or warm, depends on the jet streams and lows/highs that come through. The old saying, if March comes in like a Lion it will go out as a Lamb...or the opposite...doesn't always come true, but it gives us hope that the winter is soon over.

The past week has been a struggle for many to keep their driveways open with all the drifting snow. One day the wind comes from the northwest, the next day from the south. So basically all we are doing is moving it from one side of the yard to the other. Will be nice to get those warm temps they are talking about, get some melting going on and lower the snowbank heights.

We are also entering into the Lenten season with Ash Wednesday on March 26th. That is also another sign of spring and Easter is going to be April 12th. Hopefully it will be nice by then. Last year Easter was on April 21st so this year is earlier. It is kind of confusing why Easter is celebrated on different days varying from March to April.

Easter is celebrated on the first Sunday after the Paschal full moon, the full moon after the spring equinox. Once the date of the full moon is set, it's easy to determine the date of Easter Sunday and other Easter holidays.

The date of Easter changes, because the Paschal full moon can fall on various days in different time zones. But because Easter falls on a Sunday after the March 21 spring equinox, it will always occur on a Sunday between March 22 and April 25. That's also why Easter and Christian holidays leading up to that day, such as Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday and Good Friday, are referred to as “moveable feasts.”

I like it better when it is later in the spring and it has warmed up some.

The Oklee Firemen's Blizzard Bonanza is coming up on February 29th. There are tickets for sale for the meal and the drawings around Oklee. It is nice to have them separate, because now persons can buy more chances for the prizes and still have a meal if they want or don't want.

Last weekend we went to Frazee to watch David Cote's youngest daughter dance in a competition. She has been dancing since she was just a little gal and is quite good. Afterwards, we stayed at David's and Saturday headed to Alexandria to meet up with our oldest daughter who has been trying to get up here for Christmas, since Christmas. Weather and work schedules haven't worked out so far.

So we decided to meet halfway between us, which is Alexandria. We went out to eat

at a great restaurant in Alex and then had our Christmas that evening. Sunday morning, we had breakfast, did a little shopping and headed home. It was good to get together as a family for Christmas even if it took us a month and a half to get it accomplished.

From my email: Funny Tweets by husbands about marriage.

• I don't understand how God can have Ten Commandments for the whole world, and my wife can have 152 just for our our house.

• My wife asked me what I wanted for dinner and then told me I was wrong.

• I've been married for about 45 pounds.

• Marriage is about finding that special someone to disagree with about the room temperature until you die.

• My wife probably tells me I never listen to her.

• My wife and I have been keeping an eye on our spending. From what we can see, we're very good at it.

• Marriage is essentially agreeing to share 50% of your ice cream forever.

Have a great week and enjoy the warm weekend we are supposed to have.

Annual 4-H Fruit/ Chocolate Fundraiser

The Red Lake County 4-H Families are holding their annual fruit sales (Apples, oranges, pears,

grapefruit, and pineapple). The fruit can be purchased as a half box, full box, or a mixed box. Also, included in this fundraiser are the smokey snack sticks, beef sticks, premium cut beef jerky, string cheese, boxed chocolates, and individual candy bars.

The 4-H Youth Development Program offers learning experiences in science, photography, agriculture, healthy living, civic engagement and much more. We have one-day events, year-long projects and everything in between. There are many ways to try 4-H.

Support your local 4-H Program by contacting a 4-H Family and/or the Red Lake County Extension Office at 218-253-2897. All orders for the fundraiser must be placed by Monday, February 24, 2020.



Oklee Centennial Cookbook

Recipe Corner - From page 423

Hermit Molasses Cookies

Mabel Seeger

Submitted by Janice (Paquin) Seeger

4 cups flour

2 tsp soda

1/2 tsp cloves

1 tsp salt

1 tsp ginger

1-1/2 cups shortening

2 cups sugar

3 eggs

1/2 cup molasses

1/2 cup walnuts, chopped

1 cup raisins, softened by boiling and draining

Sift flour, soda, cloves, salt and ginger. Cream the shortening and sugar. Add eggs and beat, then add dry ingredient mixture. Mix in molasses, nuts and raisins. Chill and then roll into a small long roll on a cookie sheet. It will flatten out when baking. Sprinkle with sugar on top and bake at 350° until done. Cut diagonally into bars when baked.

“This was one of Mabel's very favorites and she made them very often.”

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Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Oklee Herald Early Files

Eighty Years Ago February 15, 1940

The Oklee High School basketball team lost two games over the weekend to the two leading teams in the sub-district, McIntosh and Clearbrook. The Oklee Orioles will play their next game at home in a return game with Plummer.

Notice in the paper: Amateur boxing at the Plummer Hall February 17th starting at 8 p.m. Five bouts assured. No admission charged. Everybody welcomed.

A considerable number of people from Oklee and vicinity attended the Paul Bunyan Carnival at Bemidji last weekend and the ski meet at Terrebonne, Sunday.

Reminder to Taxpayers Notice: The last day for payment of personal property taxes for 1939 closes Feb. 29. After that date a penalty of 8 percent will be added to taxes not paid.

The electric train running between Goodridge and Thief River Falls made its last run on Tuesday.

The Gully Independents lost to Erskine here, 54-40 Tuesday and dropped a 42-26 decision at McIntosh Thursday.

Seventy Years Ago February 16, 1950

John L. Lewis and his striking coal miners became less remote to people of this area this week with the curtailment of rail services as a coal conserving measure. Soo Line has announced that ten trains in southern Minnesota and North Dakota will be discontinued and a larger number of other trains will be restricted. The order means that mail will arrive in Oklee only once daily.

Elmer Brekke of Oklee suffered a fractured bone and lacerations in his right foot when a shotgun he was carrying accidentally discharged.

One of the largest and most powerful Rotary snow plows ever built has just gone into service on the Soo Line. It will work to prevent accumulation of deep snow drifts on lines in Minnesota and North Dakota.

Most of the students who had the mumps are back in school now and as far as we can see there are no new cases coming up in the high school.

A double birthday party was held at the Harold Mickelson home last Thursday evening honoring Mrs. Mickelson and Mrs. Mable Hesness.

A son was born Sunday, Feb. 5th, to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Greenwald.

Sixty Years Ago February 18, 1960

Committee chairmen who will direct the various phases of the Golden Jubilee were named this week by General Chairman Tom Melby. The Steering committee, which has general supervision over all other committees includes, in addition to Tom Melby were Bill Seeger, Bernard Remick, Andy Nyquist, Orlo Melby, and O.M. Sundrud.

Erling and Gayle Lundeen had a joint birthday party on Sunday afternoon at the Merle Lundeen home.

The Dorcas Circle and friends and relatives had a house warming party for the Paul Rosten family February 4th. And Feb. 11, they went to the Dennis Brinkman home where they had a house warming party. The self-invited

guests served lunch and presented each with gifts.

Oklee finished their regular season play in high fashion last Tuesday by whipping the Goodridge Huskies, 65 - 43 on the local court.

A valentine party was held at the Little Oak school house on Friday afternoon given by the teacher, Mrs. Orland Rindahl and the pupils and attended by the mothers and other relatives.

Whisker Club now has more than 100 members listed for the Jubilee Celebration.

Fifty Years Ago February 19, 1970

Plummer names outstanding High School Students: Susan Hamrum, Martin Fallon, Jim Hage, and Daryl Wilkens. These students were featured in the volume, Outstanding American High School Students for 1970.

Airman Dean W. Hemly, son of Mrs. Agnes E. Hemly of Plummer, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Texas. He has been assigned to Sheppard AFB in Texas for training as a medical services specialist. He is a 1967 graduate of Plummer High School. Sale of the Oklee Laundry by the Erskine Sales Corporation to Emile Nadeau of Oklee was announced this week. The service was established in 1963 in a building formerly owned by the Oklee Cooperative Oil Association across the street from the Community Hall.

Airman Richard Mathson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mathson of Oklee, has graduated from Sheppard AFB, Texas from the U.S. Air Force aircraft mechanics course. He is being assigned to Loring AFB, Main for duty with the Strategic Air Command.

Sp/5 Richard Bluemke returned home from Vietnam where he has been stationed with the 585th Trans. Co. for the past year, receiving a Safe Driving award for having driven for 12,000 miles without an accident or traffic violation. Before being discharged from the Army he also received the Army Commendation Award.

Colleen Johnson celebrated her 9th birthday with supper guests, Mary Cyr, Cindy Champagne, Debbie Lillegard, Karen & Diane Hanson and Shelia Vetteson.

Forty Years Ago February 21, 1980

The Inter-County Community Council accepted the letter of resignation from Lowell Enerson at the November board meeting. Enerson resigned to accept the Executive Director position at the Koochiching-Itasca Community Action Council in Grand Rapids, MN.

The City of Oklee received a letter this week from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency regarding the possible sewer system project for Oklee.

At the Valentine and Birthday party held at the Senior Site, Mrs. Minnie Knutson and Mrs. Alexina celebrated their birthdays and Mr. K.B. Knutson played beautiful violin music before dinner. One of his selections was a Norwegian Valentine waltz.

Judy Schue, editor of the Oklee Herald, attended the Minnesota Newspaper Convention last weekend and found it real interesting.

Last Saturday at the District Wrestling Tournament, eight Oklee wrestlers reached the finals and will all advance to the Region Tournament in Bagley.

The Clearbrook Hornets girls basketball team split two games last week. They scored a convincing victory over Oklee and were soundly beaten by Fosston.

Thirty Years Ago February 21, 1990

Daniel Wayne Wright was born to Wanda and Gary Wright of Warroad on February 16th at the Roseau Hospital. Grandparents are Maynard and Shirley Peters and William Wright of Plummer.

The Oklee Seniors held a combination Valentine and birthday party on Wednesday. The Oklee Old Tymers, minus one, provided the music. K.B. Knutson was sick so Orlien Rindahl and Ruth Olson played together. King & Queen were Otto Bakken and Marie Collette who are also the oldest man and woman living in town.

David Anderson from Trail, speared a 20 ½ lb. Northern in a rural lake north of Gonvick.

Twenty Years Ago February 17, 2000

Two students at Northland Community College were awarded scholarships. Jennifer Olson, daughter of Allan and Danette Olson and Barbara Lundeen was the recipient of a Northern State Bank Scholarship, and Stephanie Olson, daughter of Leo and Debbie Olson of Oklee is the recipient of a Gene and Gretchen Beito Scholarship.

Saturday evening a group of birthday well-wishers came to help Mike Greenwald celebrate his 50th birthday anniversary. Jim Reinbold of Thune Insurance Network was named one of the top premium producers of 1999 at the American Agrisurance annual awards dinner in January 6th, 2000.

Bobbi Berberich and Chris DuChamp, together with their parents, Mark & Sue Berberich and Jim & Debbie DuChamp, announce their engagement and upcoming marriage.

The Red Lake County Central Mustang Girls Basketball team beat the WEM Patriots on February 10 with a score of 57-51.

Ten Years Ago February 17, 2010

Michaela Casvan, a sophomore at RLCC, shot her 1,000 point during the girl's basketball game against Win-E-Mac on February 5th.

Carl Larson celebrated his 96th birthday February 5th at Eddie & Sharon Larson's home with Don and Alma Stenberg, Pastor Bob Paulson and Margaret Johnson. Carl Larson passed away on February 11th at Oakland Park Communities in TRF.

On February 11th, RLC Sheriff's office received a 911 call from an individual who had been involved in a snowmobile crash and they were somewhere on the Lost River east of Oklee. The two drivers were riding on the river, when one got well ahead of the other driver. He turned around to find him and crashed into each other when they met each other in a sharp bend in the river, hitting head on. Both were transferred to First Care Hospital ER in TRF for non-life threatening injuries.

Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteer Iona Berry

This morning the temperature was cold. However, by noon it was rising fast. Right now it is 17 degrees above.

The past week has been many changes, hope March will come in warm. Spring is time for many unexpected changes.

There are many interesting things for sale at the Oklee Senior Craft Shop. All the items are handmade.

Do you have a baby shower coming up in your future? Well, there are some really cute homemade baby books/albums at the Craft Shop.

Do you have company coming over? There are some very nice table runners to decorate your dinner table or other areas in your home.

Do you have cold hands? If so, there are some really nice handmade very warm mittens to keep your fingers nice and toasty.

Stop by the Craft Shop - You may be surprised and find just

what you were looking for.

The Firemen's Blizzard Bonanza is February 29th. They will be serving a walleye fish, which almost everyone likes. There will be entertainment too. It is something to take in as the winter gets long and a little change is welcome.

The funeral of Gerald Cote will be Saturday, February 22 at St. Francis Xavier Church in Oklee at 11 a.m.

Dates to Remember

Feb. 20: Senior Site Council meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Feb. 21: Birthday Meal. If your birthday is in February, sign up for the meal and you may be lucky and win a meal.

Words of Wisdom

Humility is always the appropriate response.

Leave no loving word unspoken.

Joke Time

A lawyer was walking down the street when he saw an auto accident. He rushed over and started handing out business cards. "I saw the who thing," he said. "I'll take either side."

How is it you can't get a lawyer to defend you?" the judge asked the prisoner.

"Well, yer honor, it's like this. As soon as those lawyers found out I didn't steal the money, they wouldn't have anything to do with me."

When my 88-year-old mother was called for jury duty, she had to submit to questioning by the opposing lawyers.

"Have you ever dealt with an attorney?" asked the plaintiff's lawyer.

"Yes. I had an attorney write my living trust," she responded.

"And how did that turn out?" "I don't know," she said. "Ask me when I'm dead."

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

We are waiting for spring. It is cloudy today with a light smattering of snow on the ground from overnight. The temps seem moderate and we are having a very calm day. The wind last week was wild and wooly, so it is nice today.

Leroy and Joyce Christensen of Red Lake Falls went to Tempe and Mesa Arizona to visit with relatives and friends in that area that either live there or are wintering there. They visited mostly with Leroy's relatives, and friends they knew were there. It was Leroy's first trip on a plane, and he enjoyed it. They traveled with their daughter and son-in-law Brenda and Tim Gagner. They spent Super Bowl Sunday with Clarence and Dianne Gagner and other relatives. They spent a week taking in the sights and visiting. Leroy after returning home and enduring the blizzard warnings on Wednesday when Hwy 2 and Interstate 29 were closed down, commented that it would be nice to be back in Arizona. New experiences make for new thoughts on travel. Good to see you back.

On Saturday Walt Novak, Jerome Novak, Adam Reese Caleb Novak and Carter Reese went on the Plummer Snowmobile ride. This one is always fun and it includes lots of families. Women, older people and kids go on this ride. There were over 110 sleds in this ride. Prizes were awarded after the ride and everyone had a great time. Again the Plummer people worked together to have a successful event.

The corona virus is in the

news. As with any virus, if you feel sick, stay home. Do not spread your sickness among the population. That goes for any virus. Now though it is important to stay home so as not to spread whatever you have to your friends and associates. It is common sense, and cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze. It may prevent your family from catching it too.

Have a great week. We hope you stay healthy and are careful on the ice outside.

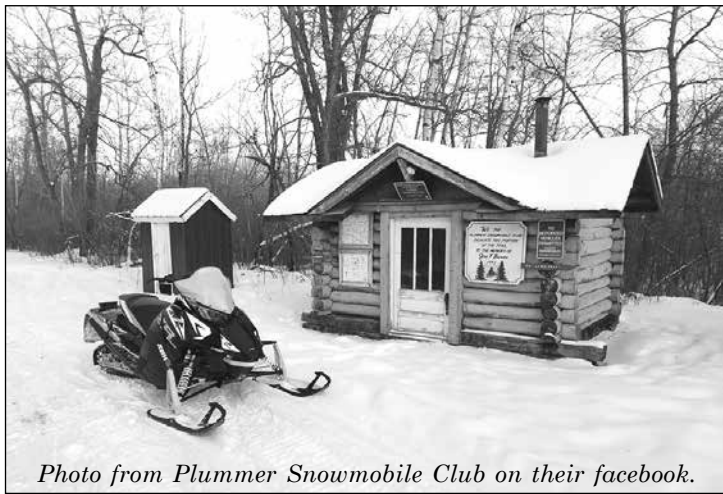


Photo from Plummer Snowmobile Club on their facebook.

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

The Plummer Volunteer Firemen met at the Fire Hall Wednesday evening for the monthly meeting.

A benefit for Gary Arlt was held Sunday, the 9th at the Plummer Legion. It was from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. They served scalloped potatoes and ham and macaroni salad and ham, roll, corn, coffee lemonade and bars. There was also a huge silent auction and a very large bake sale. The turnout was wonderful. People came from neighboring towns to support him. It was wonderful to see with all the baked items going and the auction items as well. Kristie Hesse and her helpers, Kelly and husband and many others that help with the benefit and cleaning up did a great job.

On Tuesday, Mike Kukowski, of Badger stopped on his way back from Winger to visit his Aunt Alice Jobe. He had gone to pick up a bale ring and a walk through chute for cattle that the Amish had made for him. Mike brought his dog, Pup Pup, his Irish Wolf hound. They enjoyed coffee and bars at Alice's and then said a quick hello to "Pup Pup" before they left for home. He stayed a whole hour. Mike said his cows will be calving next month.

Alice Jobe visited Anne Traxler Tuesday afternoon.

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This week's photo is of ????

Last week's photo was of Scott Spong and Steve Linder.

I am always in need of more photos - please send or bring some more of your great old photos. School days, church events, sports, etc.

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

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