

Oklee Precipitation
By Einar Kvasager

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Hero Hustle 5K - 1st place winners: 12 & Under: Men: Callen Carriere (34:07). Women: Alexa Chervestad (27:18). 12-29: Men: Owen Chervestad (21:15). Women: Kate Holmstrom (25:13). 30-49: Men: Greg Melin (45:58). Women: Andi Sherman (32:44). 50 & Up: Men: Dave Olson (30:21), Women: Holly Spang (29:51).

A beautiful day for Oklee's Market Day

Oklee Market Day was held on August 1st, 2020. Hand sanitizers were available at all the events through out the day and hand washing stations were near each event.



To start off the day, 15 painted rocks were hidden in the City of Oklee. As of when

this picture was taken in the afternoon, there were a few rocks still missing. The purpose was to find "Da Rock" to win prizes. The rocks spelled out "Oklee Market Day."

Hero Hustle 5K registration was at 8:00 a.m. with the race starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Oklee Veteran's Memorial Site. The 5K is promoting Organ Donation and all the funds raised will be going to "The Second Chance for Life Foundation" in Minneapolis, MN.

There were 14 men and 37

women this for a total of 51 participants. The first place winners each received a first place ribbon and everyone received a participation ribbon.

This year there was an option of a virtual 5K which was very successful.

The sponsors of the Hero Hustle 5K:

Gold: Oklee Lumber, Inc., Nelson & Nelson Construction LLC., Security State Bank & Agency, Essentia Health, and Oklee Quilting.

Silver: Larry Olson Transportation, Hayday Farms LLP, and Halle & Neson, Inc.

Bronze: TJ's Tavern, D & R Grocery, Oklee Locker LLC, Bobbie's Basement, Otter Tail Power Company, Paradis Mail Service, Oklee Ambulance Service, Oklee Volunteer Fire Department, Ryan's Backhoe Service, LLC, Sanitary Service & Recycling, Inc., and Red Lake County Cooperative, Inc.

The Quilt Show sponsored by Oklee Quilting Supply went virtual this year. There were a lot of beautiful quilts entered. The winners were picked and displayed in the window of Oklee Quilting Supply, Inc., featured as a banner. The winners were: Lois Boehrnsen, McIntosh and Florence Tvedt, Plummer. Thank you to all the quilters for entering.

Crafters and Vendors were be set up in the Oklee Community Hall this year from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There was pretty jewelry, coasters, and other fun items at Jodi's Country Side Creations booth. Jodi is originally from Oklee and is the sister of Gelene Lundeen, who had the Norwex booth at the hall along with her husband Vincent with delicious baked goods and jellies.

Also there was two gals who do beautiful handmade cards, Jessie Hamrum and Natalie Hamrum. Tri Valley Opportunity Council had a booth set up with lots of information and promotional items, and the best smelling booth, called Inga & Elvie, was selling lots of soaps and candles made by Elaine Burslie & Jessica Shimp. They are from Mentor, MN.



Jodi's County Side Creations was at the Oklee Market Day with many unique and beautiful pieces of jewelry and other items. She is from the Goodridge area.



Bridget Erlandson from Oklee is a Thirty-One dealer and had a nice display of bags of all shapes and sizes at the Oklee Market Day.



Jessie Hamrum and Natalie Hamrum had many beautiful handmade cards for sale at the Oklee Market Day on August 1st.

Calendar of Events

Wed, August 12:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered - Call to order.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
Thu, August 13:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered - Call to order.
Fri, August 14:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered - Call to order.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
Sat, August 15:
-Support your local business - Shop Locally!
Sun, August 16:
-Worship at the church - check inside for church times and places.
Mon, August 17:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered - Call to order.
Tue, August 18:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered - Call to order.
Wed, August 19:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered - Call to order.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

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Essentia Health announced visitation policy changes for senior care communities

Maintaining the health, wellness and safety of our senior care residents is our top priority. Early on in the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions were put in place to protect our most vulnerable population. As we continue through the COVID-19 pandemic, Essentia Health has made some changes to our visitor policy in our senior care communities.

Essentia Health is following strict guidelines from the Minnesota Department of Health as well as Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services to limit the potential transmission of COVID-19 in our facilities.

Effective immediately, Essentia Health Living Center and Prairie Pines Community are offering scheduled, supervised outdoor visits with residents. These visits are open to family members, friends and community clergy. The facilities have each determined a schedule for visiting hours. Please, do not arrive for an outdoor visit without an appointment.

At Essentia Health Living Center, outdoor visitation will be offered by appointment only between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00

p.m. Monday through Friday. Visitors should call Marilyn at 218-435-7650 or Renee at 218-435-7669 to schedule visits.

At Prairie Pines Community, outdoor visits will be offered by appointment only between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. seven days a week. Please call 218-435-1337 to schedule a visit.

When you arrive for your scheduled visit, you will go through a health screening with questions and a temperature check. Masks are required during the visit. All visits will require social distancing of six feet between the visitor and resident. Due to the risk of exposure, holding hands, hugging, kissing or other physical contact is NOT allowed.

If an outdoor visit is not an option for a resident, window visits may be arranged.

We are committed to safeguarding the health and wellness of residents and preventing the spread of illness. The visitation policy is being evaluated on a routine basis and subject to change at any time.

For the most up-to-date information, please visit EssentiaHealth.org.

Covid-19 numbers continue to rise...

Daily Inter-County Nursing Service

Covid-19 updates: August 9th & 10th:

There are no new laboratory confirmed cases in Red Lake County or Pennington County.

August 8th:

There is one new laboratory confirmed case in Red Lake County, the individual is in their 30's and is recovering at home.

There are 2 new laboratory confirmed cases in Pennington County. One individual is in their 60's and the other is in their 70's. One individual has been hospitalized and the other is recovering at home.

August 7th:

There are no new laboratory confirmed cases in Red Lake County or Pennington County.

August 6th:

There is one new laboratory confirmed case in Red Lake County, the individual is in their 80's and is hospitalized.

There are no new laboratory confirmed cases in Pennington County.

August 5th:

There is one new laboratory confirmed case in Red Lake County, the individual is in their 50's and is hospitalized.

There are no new laboratory confirmed cases in

Pennington County.

August 4th:

There is one new laboratory confirmed case in Pennington County, the individual is in their 20's, recovering at home.

There are no new laboratory confirmed cases in Red Lake County.

August 3rd:

There is one new laboratory confirmed case in Red Lake County, the individual is in their 60's.

There is one new new laboratory confirmed case in Pennington County, the individual is in their 50's.

We are seeing an increase in cases in our area, please continue to practice physical distancing, wear a face covering and wash hands often to help slow the spread.

The choices that individuals make, will impact the community as a whole and our recommendations remain the same to slow the spread of COVID-19. Practice good hand hygiene, practice social distancing, don't gather in large groups, wear a mask and get tested if you are sick.

Be mindful of what is occurring in our community as you make decisions on being out and about and interacting with others.

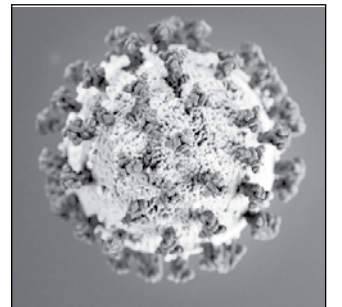
Please continue to do social distancing and when out in public, mask up.

An Alumni Softball took place at 4:00 p.m. at the field on the east end of town. Last years game had lots of players and a good sized crowd watching and cheering on their favorite team or player.

In the evening there was entertainment sponsored by the Oklee Volunteer Fire Department called, "Fun Pianos! The Dueling Piano Show." The show was held outside under the tent erected on the corner of 2nd and Main between the Oklee Community Center and TJ's Tavern of Oklee. Presale tickets were sold at area business for \$25 a ticket and there were a limited amount of tickets due to the CDC guidelines because of the Covid-19 pandemic.

And all day long there was delicious food being served a variety of locations throughout the City of Oklee.

Hope everyone had a great time and more news to follow.



Statistics (8-10-2020):

- 61,516 Positive Tests
- 1,172,118 Complete Tests
- 54,364 Patients Who No Longer Need Isolation
- 1,660 Total Deaths
- As of this printing - Total Confirmed Cases in surrounding Counties:
 - Pennington County: 74
71 recovered cases
2 active case
5 hospitalized
1 death
 - Red Lake County: 24
20 recovered cases
4 active case
5 hospitalized
 - Polk County: 154
119 recovered
3 deaths
 - Marshall County: 29
 - Clearwater County: 14
 - Beltrami County: 241

For the most updated information on COVID-19, see the following websites:

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH

Zion and Salem
Pastor Linda Molitor
Sun, Aug. 16: 10:00 a.m.
 Parish Outdoor Service at Parsonage – front lawn. Communion.

Sermons are on GVTEL Channel 35 (10 am Sunday & 2 pm Tuesday), also on Facebook or YouTube.

CDC safety guidelines for COVID-19 will be followed.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF OKLEE, GRYGLA & GOODRIDGE

Fr. Adam Hamness
 The Catholic Parishes of Oklee, Grgyla, and Goodridge are open at 25% seating capacity for Masses at the regular service times. Mask required and distance themselves from others while inside the church.
 Go to: <http://www.oggcatholic.org/> for service times.

BROOKS – RED LAKE FALLS

CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bob Schreiner
Brooks – Red Lake Falls
Catholic Parish
Fr. Bob Schreiner
Sundays: 8:00 am - Brooks 10:00 am – Red Lake Falls Noon - St. Anthony Cemetery – Terrebonne Mass

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH

Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, Aug. 9: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Immanuel. 7:00 p.m. Worship at Ebenezer.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH

Bethany-Ekelund-Faith
Pastor Kristen Ostercamp
 No services until further notice - Please check out their Facebook page.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH

Mt. Olive – Nazareth
Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseth
Sat, Aug. 15: Mt Olive: 9:00 a.m.

Sun, Aug. 16: St. Petri: 8:00 a.m. Oak Park: 9:45 a.m. Nazareth: 11:00 a.m.

Find services and past sermons at www.facebook.com/clearwaterlutheranparish

Wed, Aug. 19: Oak Park Ladies Aid.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH

Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor

www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Aug. 12: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

Sun, Aug. 16: 9:30 a.m. Worship.

Tues, Aug. 18: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions. 10:00 a.m. Quilting. 6:30 p.m.

Wed, Aug. 19: 9:30 a.m. Christian Women's Club. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH

Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister

Sun, Aug. 16: 9:00 a.m. Lund, 10:30 a.m. Bethany.

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BETHEL ASSEMBLY

Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
 Radio service continues at 8AM on 96.7

We are opening for services at 25% capacity at 10AM starting May 31st.

We will continue to be on Facebook Live as well, Sunday at 10AM.

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF MINNESOTA
 COUNTY OF RED LAKE
 DISTRICT COURT
 NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Court File No.:
 In Re: Estate of
 Georgene M. Corbett,
 Decedent.

NOTICE OF AND ORDER FOR HEARING ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION OF INSTACY, DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, FORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on September 2nd, 2020 at 2:00 p.m., a no-appearance hearing will be held in this Court at Red Lake County Courthouse, 124 Main Avenue NW, Red Lake Falls, Minnesota 56750, on a petition for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of decedent's heirs, and for the appointment of Grant Corbett, whose address is 33 Salem Lane, Evanston, IL 60203, as personal representative of the decedent's estate in an unsupervised administration.

Any objections to the petition must be raised at the hearing or filed with the Court prior to the hearing. If the petition is proper and no objections are filed or raised, the personal representative will be appointed with the full power to administer the decedent's estate, including the power to collect all assets; to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes, and expenses; to sell real and personal property; and to do all necessary acts for the decedent's estate.

Notice is further given that, subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the decedent's estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the Court within four (4) months after the date of this notice or the claims will be barred.

BY THE COURT
 Dated:
 Judge of District Court
 Dated:
 Court Administrator
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 ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER
 020-21C

Oklee Senior Site Dining

August 17 - 21

No congregate meals served.

If you are over the age of 60 and you want a meal delivered to your home, call Jo Lambert at 796-4527 or Oklee Cafe 796-5666 to order a meal. A \$5.00 per meal donation is suggested.

Mon: Fish, French fries, green beans, and dessert.

Tue: BBQ chicken, hash browns, peas, bread, and dessert.

Wed: Meatloaf, boiled red potatoes, corn, bread, and dessert.

Thu: Fried ham sandwich, bean soup, and dessert.

Fri: Tator tot hotdish, cole-slaw, bread, and dessert.

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Red Lake County Commissioners Minutes

RED LAKE COUNTY Regular Meeting Held July 14, 2020

Pursuant to adjournment of its last meeting the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners held its regular board meeting on July 14, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. All Board Members were present. Chairman Remick called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Environmental Officer Curt Casavan was present to update on the Septic Grant Funding and answer questions about operation of the program. Casavan mentioned that 2020 has seen a big demand for assistance for the grant dollars. Presently the current grant is used up with individuals on a waiting list. The funding is on a first-come, first-serve basis. More funding will be available when the new grant cycle begins in September.

Casavan also reported that he has not heard any additional information regarding the grant funding for the Transfer Station for the county landfill that the MN Pollution Control Agency is strongly suggesting. Casavan contacted the state and left messages but due to staffing changes has not received a return reply. The board will be updated as information becomes available.

County Engineer Hove met with the County Board to request approval of a quote to extract and stockpile aggregate at the Oklee Pit site. The Highway Department has depleted the remaining gravel stockpile at the Oklee pit that was completed in 2015, so to prepare for a future gravel crush, Hove has solicited quotes to remove 50,000 Cubic Yards of material from below the water level. The material will sit until next year when the County would pursue a separate gravel crushing contract. Quotes were received for \$89,000.00 from Triple D Construction and \$172,000.00 from Wright Construction. Hove recommends approval of the low quote from Triple D. Commissioner Weiss moved, seconded by Dudycha and carried unanimously to approve the quote submitted from Triple D Construction as presented.

Hove provided an update on the Oklee Sidewalk Project. Presently the city sidewalks do not meet ADA requirements. The project survey and three (3) design alternatives have been prepared for the project. Due to COVID-19 Hove utilized a website and mailers in lieu of a public input meeting to gather input from the local community. Seventy percent of the public comments supported the Bronze Alternative and is also supported by the Oklee City Council. Hove asked that the County Board allow him to proceed as he would like to move the project into the next phase of design for construction in 2021. The board concurred. The project will be funded by 100% State Aid Highway dollars.

Hove reported that work will begin Monday, July 20th on the CSAH 13 Bridge Project (Schirrick Bridge) northwest of Red Lake Falls. Riley Brothers Construction of Morris, MN is the contractor. There was discussion on whether to re-open county facilities to the public. Sheriff Bernstein was present and reported that there are two

new COVID-19 cases in the county. Bernstein suggested, due to the new outbreaks, that the county continue to operate as it is currently following all the safety protocols as much as possible. Several employees suggested to continue with leaving county offices closed but a few employees felt that county buildings be re-opened to public. Commissioner Dudycha moved and seconded by Flage, to continue to keep county building locked and offer services "by appointment only". Voting aye: Commissioners Dudycha, Flage, Weiss and Remick. Voting nay: Commissioner Simpson. The motion carried.

There was additional discussion on how the county should handle employees after personal travel within and outside the state, when to quarantine and when an employee should be tested. The state is not requiring quarantine at this time if an individual travels throughout the states, however best judgement should be used. HR Director Lundeen commented that the Federal Government pays for COVID testing. Commissioner Dudycha moved, seconded by Weiss and carried unanimously to follow the recommended State CDC guidelines.

Sheriff Bernstein mentioned that each county is eligible for CARES Funding to assist counties with the additional operating costs due to the COVID pandemic. The CARES funding is federal dollars passed on to the state to distribute to each county, however a county must make application for the dollars. The grant agreement stipulates that a county must develop a plan on how to distribute the grant funding if requested by a business. Funding amounts to the Townships and Cities is pre-determined at the state level. The grant dollars can be used for any extra costs not currently budgeted for that is related to COVID-19 and any grant dollars not spent by December 15, 2020 must be returned to the state. Bernstein commented that the reporting process will be burdensome due to limited staffing. Administrative fees are an allowable expense against the grant. There was a suggestion to contact the NW Regional Development Commission for assistance to manage the funding and complete reporting documents. Bernstein recommended that the county submit the application for the grant dollars. The County Board concurred that the County Auditor submit the application for the county and contact the NW Regional Development for assistance in administering the CARES grant program.

County Assessor Michelle Nelson informed that the Department of Revenue (DOR) is recommending a revision of the County Abatement Policy that was adopted in year 2014. A copy of the proposed policy was distributed. Nelson informed that the updated policy was approved by the PT Compliance Officer at the DOR. Commissioner Simpson moved, seconded by Flage and carried by unanimous vote to approve the revised Tax Abatement Policy as presented.

Commissioner Dudycha moved and seconded by Flage and carried unanimously to approve the following expenditures for the period:

Vendor	Amount
Counties Providing Technology	\$ 4,212.00
Moore Engineering	21,646.10
Red Lake County Co-op	7,672.44
RJ Zavoral & Sons	322,165.40
University MN Extension Service	15,051.21
WSB & Associates, Inc	8,993.82
Ziegler Cat	12,903.12
54 Vendors less than \$2,000	18,757.83
TOTAL	\$411,399.92

The motion included the following additional bills: \$240.00 to Dwight Huot; \$900.00 to Office of MNIT; \$3,859.50 to ReadTech; \$180.00 per diem to Al Remick; \$13.80 expenses and \$160.00 per diem to Ron Weiss.

Auditor Schmitz presented a request from Veterans Service Officer Kurt Ellefson for the "Operational Enhancement Grant Program" requesting funding in amount of \$7,500.00 through the MN Department of Veteran Affairs. The grant funds must be used to provide outreach services to the county's veterans.

Commissioner Simpson moved, seconded by Dudycha and carried by unanimous vote to approve Resolution No. 07-01-20 "CVSO Operational Enhancement Grant" for FY 2020/2021 as presented.

Chair Remick was authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the county.

The following Commissioner/Committee reports were shared:
 Commissioner Meeting/Report Simpson: -None.
 Dudycha: -Tri County Corrections.

Weiss: -Tri county Corrections.
 -Regional Development discussing the audit, phone service agreement, loan fund, and unemployment costs for budget.

Flage: -Inter County Nursing discussing financials and COVID-19.

Remick: -NW Mental Health discussing cost cutting measures.

-SWCD reviewing erosion control projects.

-NW Regional Emergency Services.

Commissioner Dudycha moved and seconded by Weiss to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held on June 22, 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

Auditor Schmitz reviewed the assessed values of properties on the tax forfeited sale list. The properties will be offered for sale by public auction on August 7, 2020. Schmitz recommended that two property values be decreased due to the dilapidated condition of the properties. Commissioner Dudycha moved, seconded by Flage to decrease the values to \$300.00 on Parcel #15-2529-000 in the 1965 Addition, City of Oklee, and to \$8,000.00 on Parcel #17-3076-000 in Kretschmar's Addition, City of Red Lake Falls. The motion was carried by unanimous vote.

There being no further business the regular board meeting was adjourned to July 28, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

Attest:
 Robert Schmitz, County Auditor

Al Remick, Chair,
 Board of Commissioners
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There were 51 entries in the Hero's Hustle 5K Run/Walk, and at the registration area at the Veteran's Park they received their instructions and were thanked for their donations which will be given to Second Chance for Life, a donation service for people needing hearts, lungs, etc.



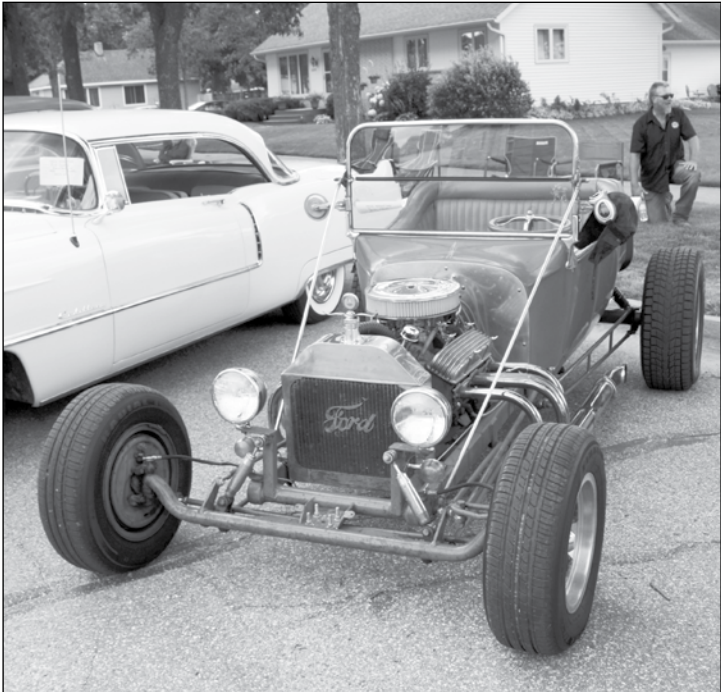
The adults were pretty good at Kick the Shoe and some when very high, and some went quite a way down the street at Oklee's Market Day on August 1st.



Toss the Egg game was held first with the youngest, then the teens, then adults and final game in a mixed age group finished off the eggs.



This gal was working hard blending in the different shades of colors in the hair on her creation.



This orange 1922 Ford Bucket was one of the unique cars at the show and is owned by Jason Sparks from Arvilla, ND.

STAY SAFE MN

Keep it up, Minnesota!

- 1

Wash your hands
- 2

Get tested when sick
- 3

Stay 6 feet from others

4

Wear a mask

5

Stay home when able

Continue to follow safe practices.

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Red Lake County Sheriff's Report

News Release 08-07-20

On the afternoon of 07/31/20, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed on Hwy. #32 south of Red Lake Falls. The vehicle was located and Alexis K. Sauck (23) of Fargo was cited for speeding.

In the early morning hours of 08/02/20, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a call about some unruly campers at Voyageur's View. Red Lake County Deputies responded and were able to remove the campers without any arrests. Derek Michael Juhl (29) of Moorhead and Thomas James McGlynn (29) of Red Lake Falls were both cited for misdemeanor disorderly conduct.

In the early morning hours of 08/02/20, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a request from the Grand Forks Police Department to assist in locating an individual to check on their welfare. The Grand Forks Police Department had reason to believe that person may have went to Red Lake Falls. A Red Lake County deputy located the individual, Nolan Charles Bushee (20) of Grand Forks, at a residence in Red Lake Falls. Mr. Bushee was cited for misdemeanor minor consumption, but he was okay and he was released to his mother.

On the evening of 08/02/20, Voyageur's View reported someone was driving recklessly in their campground. A Red Lake County deputy responded and located the suspect. A 17-year-old juvenile male from Grand Forks, ND was cited for misdemeanor underage drinking and driving. He was turned over to his parents and they removed him from the campground.

On the afternoon of 08/04/20, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of cattle on the roadway, in the area of Hwy. #2, west of Marcoux Corner. A Red Lake County deputy responded and herded the cattle back into their pasture. The owner of the cattle

was also notified.

On the afternoon of 08/05/20, Todd David Haase (48) of Thief River Falls came into the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office and posted bond to satisfy an outstanding misdemeanor warrant from Pennington County. \$100 cash was collected and Mr. Haase was given a date to appear in Court in Thief River Falls later this month.

On the afternoon of 08/05/20 the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of a tuber having anxiety issues on the Red Lake River. The tuber was on the shore, but was stranded along the river. Law Enforcement responded, located the tuber and notified the Voyageur's View Staff so they could assist the tuber safely off of the river.

On the afternoon of 08/05/20, the Pennington County Sheriff's Office reported they had arrested Hailey Michelle Sheridan (28) of Thief River Falls. Red Lake County also held an active gross misdemeanor warrant for her arrest. Ms. Sheridan appeared in Court in Thief River Falls on 08/06/20. The Court ordered Ms. Sheridan pay \$600 cash bail in order to be released. Bail was also ordered in her Pennington County file. She is currently at the Pennington County Jail.

On the evening of 08/05/20, the Douglas County Sheriff's Office reported they had Brandon Daniyel Deontay Johnson (23) of Greenwald, MN in their jail. Red Lake County held an active misdemeanor warrant for his arrest. Mr. Johnson posted the \$100 cash bond to satisfy the warrant and he was released from custody. He will appear in Court in Red Lake Falls on 08/19/20.

On 08/06/20, Timothy Robert Freeman (31) of Red Lake Falls posted \$100 cash bail at the Pennington County Sheriff's Office to satisfy a misdemeanor warrant held by Red Lake County. Mr. Freeman will make his next court appearance in Red Lake Falls on 09/16/20.

Mitch Bernstein 08/07/20

Minnesota County Cropland Rental Rates Available

Average, Median, Ten Percent Lowest Average Rents and Ten Percent Highest Average Rents are listed by county in the recently released publication titled "Cropland Rental Rates for Minnesota Counties." The rental rates come from rents paid by farmers who participate in Adult Farm Management programs across Minnesota. This publication provides a historical perspective on rental rates paid by a group of Minnesota farmers and trends in those rental rates over the past five years. This information is meant as a guide and starting point. The information and data is not meant to establish, determine, set, fix, or even hint at what actual rents should be. It is simply a reporting of historical land rental rates in Minnesota.

Historical rental data is included for years 2015 through 2019. Weighted average rental rates are listed by county for each year. The 2019 data also includes the median cash rent and the 10th and 90th percentile range, explained under "data results". There is really no way to statistically project future rental rates. Keep in mind the numbers listed are weighted averages. That means there are rents both above and below the numbers listed. Again, these numbers are merely a starting point.

Also included is the 2019 county rental data gathered by the USDA National Ag Statistical Service (NASS) in cooperation with the Minnesota

Department of Agriculture. The USDA/NASS data is collected by mail-out survey and the 2020 results should be available in September 2020. This document will be updated to include the new NASS numbers at that time.

The land rental data shown in the publication is extracted from FINBIN, a database of farm record summaries of over 2,000 Minnesota farms. The farmers participate in the Minnesota State College Farm Business Management program as well as the Southwestern Minnesota Farm Business Management Association. The rental rates are based on analysis of the financial records of participating farmers and represent the actual rents paid for the years listed.

To compile this report, rental rates are extracted for cash rented land. All row crop acres, small grain acres, canning crop acres, etc. are included in the data analysis. Not included in the analysis are acres allocated to pasture, aftermath grazing, hay and haylage acres, CRP acres, fallow, and prevented planted acres. Data is organized by county. Counties with a minimum of 10 farms with cash rented acreage are included. If a given county does not have rent data listed for 2015-2019, there were not enough farms reporting data.

The publication can be found at:

<https://www.cffm.umn.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/>

MN-Land-Rental-Rates-2019-final-7-15-20.pdf

Regional numbers indicate the total percentage change in land rental rates for the last five years from 2015 through 2019 and the last column is the change from 2018 to 2019. 2 of the 8 regions had increased in the last five years, and one region had increased from 2018 to 2019. Minnesota as a whole declined by 7.5 percent over five years and declined 0.4 percent from 2018 to 2019.

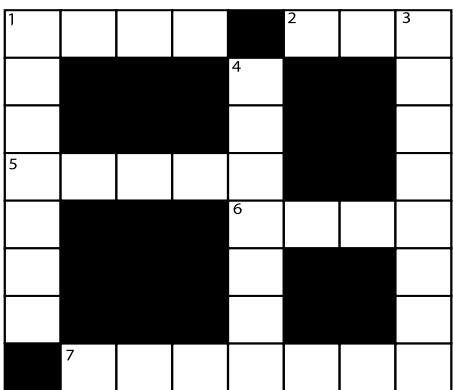
Red Lake Falls Library

The theme of the Summer Reading Program, which has programming for all ages, is "Dig Deeper: Read, Investigate, Discover."

The library is a great place to "Dig Deeper: Read, Investigate, Discover" on many subjects, viewpoints and kinds of resources, whether paper or electronic, and available to everyone without discrimination or cost.

Last weeks' prize winners for the Dig Deeper SRP were Jacob Cater, Aidan Hovland, Logan Hovland, Hudson Shulstad, and Amelia Warne. Watch next week's paper for final prize winners and \$50 cash card grand prize winner.

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. Floating navigation marker
2. The ocean
3. Poison
4. One of the heaviest known bony fishes
5. Nourishment
6. Food
7. Using rod and reel

DOWN

1. Riding on a ship
2. Steering clear of
3. Avoiding
4. Sunfish
5. Boating
6. Toxin
7. Fishing

Answers:
Across: 1. Buoy 2. Sea 3. Avoiding 4. Sunfish 5. Boating 6. Toxin 7. Fishing
Down: 1. Riding on a ship 2. Steering clear of 3. Avoiding 4. Sunfish 5. Boating 6. Toxin 7. Fishing

THIS DAY IN...



HISTORY

- 1977: THE SPACE PROBE VOYAGER 2 IS LAUNCHED. IT IS STILL IN USE AND IS NOW MORE THAN 7 BILLION MILES FROM EARTH.
- 1998: IRAN AND IRAQ AGREE TO A CEASEFIRE AFTER NEARLY EIGHT YEARS OF WAR.
- 2014: A MONTH'S WORTH OF RAIN FALLS IN A SINGLE DAY IN JAPAN'S HIROSHIMA PREFECTURE.

New Word

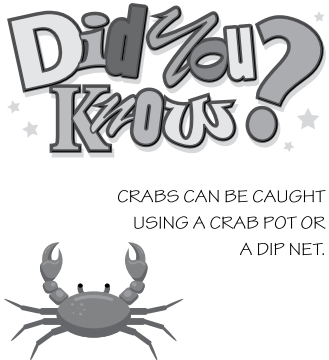
PORT
the left side of a boat that is facing forward



ANCIENT EGYPTIANS MADE THE FIRST OF THESE ITEMS, WHICH WERE BUILT BY SEWING PLANKS WITH STRAPS AND STUFFING GRASS AND REEDS IN BETWEEN.

ANSWER: SHIPS

How they SAY that in...
ENGLISH: Fish
SPANISH: Pescar
ITALIAN: Pescare
FRENCH: Pêcher
GERMAN: Angeln



ANSWER: DOCK CLEAN AND LINE

Oklee Herald Early Files

Eighty Years Ago August 8, 1940

After a weeks' vacation, the Oklee Aces baseball team is going back into action next Sunday when they play Beltrami of the Red River Valley league.

The Equality-Garnes baseball team lost to Fosston 7 – 4 at Trail last Sunday when the Fosston team pulled for home after they had their bats in the seventh inning.

The REA project, designated as Minnesota R9075A1 Red Lake was released for construction as of August 1st. This project will serve members living in Red Lake, Pennington, Polk and Marshall Counties along a route approximately 238 miles in length.

A few binders are in the field and harvesting will be general in a few days.

A good crop of raspberries is reported this year.

Seventy Years Ago August 10, 1950

Bill Singer of Oklee this week announced his candidacy for the office of sheriff of Red Lake County. Incumbent Sheriff Noel Proulx is the only other candidate.

Plans to open a dry cleaning and laundry plant in Oklee were announced by Dewey Lambert at the regular meeting of the Oklee Commercial Club held at Berry's Café Monday night.

The buildings and equipment of the River Valley Creamery Association will be liquidated at an auction sale.

Rev. Lie conducted memorial services, July 30th, at the Nazareth Cemetery in commemoration of the 45th anniversary of the establishment.

Sixty Years Ago August 11, 1960

A potluck picnic was held on Sunday at the Geo. Reopelle home with many people from the area attending.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Tasa and family attended the wedding of Janet Johnson and Bennett Hamre held at the Dovre church at Winger Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Cote and family of Hibbing visited at the home of his mother, Mrs. Laura Cote and his brother Gerald Cote and family last week enroute home from a trip to Colorado and other western points.

Mrs. Louis Mandt and Carole and Mrs. Otto Magnell helped Mari Lynn Mandt celebrate her 2nd birthday at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Eisbrener and family of Thief River Falls visited at the Albert Aaknes home last Sunday. They came to wish Paulette a happy birthday.

Fifty Years Ago August 13, 1970

Manager Paul Cyr has announced that an invitational softball tournament will be held in Oklee on August 16th.

Red Lake and Polk County Conservation officials and guests visited two projects on Thursday evening. The area was purchased by the state of Minnesota for the conversion to wildlife habitat.

A son, Thomas Robert, was born Tuesday August 4th to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lindquist in St. John's Hospital – RLF.

Albert Toulouse returned home last Tuesday from North-

western Hospital where he had major surgery.

Jean Rustan entertained Pam Spong and Carol Walberg to a BBQ chicken supper Friday evening. They also were overnight guests of Jean.

Scaffolding was constructed last week on the west side of the old grade school building in Oklee in preparation for applying new siding. The old wall was of stucco which was breaking up and crumbling.

The Hollyhocks Homemakers Gals entertained their husbands Friday evening at a Cookout Dinner Party at the Don Larson.

Forty Years Ago August 14, 1980

The Oklee Co-op Oil Association held a special stockholders meeting on August 11 and held a vote to decide whether or not to liquidate the Co-op. There were 246 votes cast – 204 to liquidate and 42 not to liquidate.

Elaine's Beauty Salon will close August 14th for major remodeling.

More candidates for the Miss Brooks contest for the Blast To Brooks were Cammie Lizotte, Lisa Gagner, and Mary Strand.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hesse, Nancy and Vickie accompanied by Heidi Christian of Bloomington returned home last Tuesday evening from Estes Park CO, after attending Floyd's Army reunion.

Jeanne Lussier (Mrs. Ted Lussier), a 51 year old, mother of eight children, and a grandmother, graduated from Itasca Community College of Practical Nursing.

Burnell and Evelyn Myrum and Stacy and girlfriend of Pengilly, MN came up for the Hanson & Olson wedding and stopped over to visit at the Orlando Chervestad.

The Oklee Elevator softball team took top honors at the league playoffs on August 3rd. The playoffs were held in Oklee.

Thirty Years Ago August 15, 1990

Roger Asselin was a lucky winner of the Minnesota Lottery, winning \$5,000. He purchased the ticket at the Oklee Recreation and Dorothy Lambert was the clerk whom he bought his ticket from.

The Class of 1980 of Plummer High School had their 10 Class Reunion on July 14 & 15 with a banquet at Third Base

in Brooks on Saturday and a family picnic on Sunday.

Elizabeth Fore and Cathi Berberich were partners in a Caravan Medley dance routine which was part of a dance revue held August 1st in the Oklee School.

Twenty Years Ago August 10, 2000

Emerging Leadership Program for 2001 were Willard and Tammie Malwitz of rural Red Lake Falls. Willard and Tammie have strong ties to agriculture as they both grew up on dairy farms.

Mikayla Paradis was proud to announce the arrival of her new brother, Seth, born July 13 at First Care Hospital in Fosston.

Don Vatthauer, President of the Red Lake County Fair Board, presented a plaque to Clarence Gagner, who was the Master of Ceremonies of the Talent Show in this and past years.

Arlan Koskela had the misfortune of losing part of a finger on July 17th in a machinery accident. He is recovering nicely, but it is taking time and good neighbors Mark Lee, Eddy Eskeli, Don Fox and Goodwin Kvasager pitched in and took care of the baling and hauling for which the family is very grateful.

Lots of engagements were announced in the paper this week: Dana McGeary & Mike Flint, Jill Radniecki & Aaron Chervestad, Sarah and Jeremy Lee, Melissa Bruggeman & Duane Parley all announced the upcoming weddings.

Ten Years Ago August 11, 2010

A new business in Oklee will be helpful for those that don't have enough storage, Oklee Mini Storage was recently built on Main Street and is owned by Earl Swenson. There are 22 units in the building 12 small and 10 large.

At the Oklee Senior Site evening meal, the Sipper girls and Derosier girls performed traditional Norwegian dance.

David Bachand of Oklee was fishing on Lake Michigan on July 20th and caught a 26 lb. Brown Trout.

Saron Free Lutheran Church celebrated their 125th Anniversary on July 11th. They held special services and a meal was served afterwards. It was well attended and lots of stories and reminiscing was done by past and present members.

Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteers Jo Lambert & Bonny Cote

The Senior Site Craft Shop is going to be open by appointment. If you are looking for a gift, or just browsing to find a new treasure, call Jo Lambert at 218-796-4527, or if Bonny Cote is in the Oklee Herald office stop in. One of us will open the door for you. Please remember to wear your mask.

Speaking of masks, we are looking for donations of masks, we will give them to the people that need them. Do you need one or know someone that needs one?

Plan to join Sue Beaudoin for card making craft event for the Seniors (all materials provided, compliments of the Oklee Senior Site) on August 25th at 1:30pm in the Oklee Hall. There will be tables set up following guidelines (CDC) and please bring a mask (or we will provide one for you). Because of the regulations for groups to meet we are limiting the number to ten people. So, if you are interested there will be a sign-up sheet in the Senior Site office. The Site is open

Monday from 10am to 1pm, Tuesday 11am to 12:30pm, and Wed. 11am to 12:30pm, Thursday 11am to 12pm and Friday 10am to 1pm or check with Bonny Cote at the Oklee Herald Office. Please sign up by August 20th. I'm sure it will be a fun afternoon.

There may be some extra traffic in Oklee at the Oklee Quilting Supply, Inc. due to the Quilt Minnesota 14th Annual Shop Hop that is happening right now! This year it is running from July 31st to Aug 23rd with 57 shops participating throughout the state. Each year a new line of Minnesota fabric is designed specifically for the Shop Hop. Shop hoppers receive a Passport to take to each shop to have it stamped to be eligible for various prizes. Those who visit every shop are entered in a drawing to win an Alaskan Cruise.

Dates To Remember

Aug. 12: International Youth Day
Aug. 19: World Humanitarian Day

tarian Day

Aug. 21: Senior Citizen's Day

Aug. 25: Card Crafts at Oklee Hall 1:30 p.m. with Sue Beaudoin. Sign up by Aug. 20th in Senior Site.

Aug. 26: Women's Equality Day

Jokes

Sven and Ole were carpentering on a new house. Sven who was nailing down siding would reach into his nail pouch, pull out a nail and either toss it over his shoulder or nail it in. Ole, figuring this was worth looking into, asked, "Why are you throwing dose nails away?" Sven explained, "If I pull a nail out of my pouch and it's pointed TOWARD me, I throw it away 'cause it's defective. If it's pointed toward da HOUSE, den I nail it in!" Ole got completely upset and yelled, "You MORON!!! Da nails pointed toward you aren't defective! Dare for da OTHER side of da house!!!"

Plummer News By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

Renae Plante is working for the City helping to cut grass. She is from Brooks. She works one to two days a week. She is the Post Master at the Brooks and Plummer Post Offices.

Mary and D.J. Hesse's sons were recently deployed. Jesse, their youngest son is on the ship, "Reagan", and is in the Navy. Shawn, the oldest son is in the Air Force Reserves and in Qatar.

On Saturday, August 1st, there was a family gathering in the park for the Paradis family. Vern Paradis was buried at St. Vincent de Paul cemetery by Plummer. Vern will be remembered for his love of old cars. He had a blue and white convertible he drove in the 4th of July parade, at least a couple of times. Some of the family went to Tri River Museum and toured it.

Saturday evening, Karen Tvedt had Roger Harmoning, Kevin and Tiffany Tvedt over for supper.

Brandie DeHate returned home Friday night after being in National Guard duty at Fort Leonardwood, Missouri for a few weeks.

On Saturday, August 1st, my youngest brother Jack Ku-

kowski of Badger, was in the Badlands of North Dakota, and competed in Mountain Bike racing. He won first place in his age group. He is 60. Way to go, Jack!

Tony Bennet celebrated his 94th birthday recently. He was known for his song, "I Left My Heart in San Francisco." Italian singer, Andre Bocelli, who is blind, played the harmonica and did "Happy Birthday" to Tony. He also used a player piano. It was nice.

Katie Ladecki, who's training for the Olympics in swimming recently swam a lap in

the pool with a glass of chocolate milk on her head, and drank the milk when she got to the end. Isn't that something?

Thursday, August 6th, Anne Traxler celebrated her birthday with friends. Micki Duden, Karen Tvedt, and Alice went out to eat with Anne at Carol's Cozy in Brooks. They had roasted pork chop dinner and cheeseburger with choice of potato salad or macaroni salad. The dessert was blueberries and whipped topping. It was a very enjoyable outing.

Have a good week and stay safe!

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

The rain yesterday saved a few gardening dreams. The tomatoes got a much needed drink as did the flowers. It has been a nice summer for gardening. From some of the reports on food supplies we may need more gardening in the future. I guess every little bit helps. As a mother of four kids, I always had a garden, and they helped me in preparing the food that I was canning or freezing. It was a family endeavor to put up the vegetables. We even learned how to make beet wine which was very good and used for special times. Beans were always prolific, and they seemed to be the go to vegetable for mealtimes and the kids liked them. (I had convinced them that they were special beans because they were not like those in the store.) So I didn't have to fight with them to eat them. Carrots the same and sometimes the carrots were so big I had to really chop them to half them and then slice them up. Peas were the hardest thing to work with, too small and you needed so many to make a pint or quart that the garden would have to be an acre just for

peas. Corn was well loved by almost everybody. So it looks like the joys of gardening may come back into popularity in the future.

News has come that Scott Cote has died. He is the son of Maurice and Doreen Cote. You may have to check for the funeral arrangements. He grew up in the Terrebonne area on the family farm. May his soul rest in peace. Our sympathy and prayers are with the Cote family.

Some people are still hunkering down in their homes trying to stay away from the virus, and haven't seen their neighbors and friends for quite some time. I have a neighbor who occasionally brings baking that she makes to share with us. It is always welcome, and it is so good to see her. She is a breath of fresh air when she rings our doorbell. Maybe if a person would just share a goody or two with their neighbors and friends it would make their day too. Just a suggestion.

We hope you have a great week. Keep safe, and stay healthy. We need each and every one of you.

Plummer Reconstruction Project

Red Lake County and the City of Plummer are working to reconstruct the roadway, sidewalks, and sanitary sewer within and adjacent to Plummer along Minnesota Street (CSAH 52 & 126) and Central Ave (CSAH 124) in Plummer, Minnesota. These roads and infrastructure are aging and in need of repair or replacement. This project will address the poor road conditions in town, bring the sidewalks up to current American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Standards, and replace aging utilities.

Most Plummer residents will receive a project booklet in the mail with various design options and a survey to provide feedback to project designers. The materials are also available online at <https://moore-plummer.weebly.com/> or you can find a link on the Red Lake County website.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103D.911, notice is hereby given that the Board of Managers of the Red Lake Watershed District will hold a public hearing on the proposed 2021 General Fund Budget at 9:30 a.m., August 27, 2020, at the Red Lake Watershed District Office, 1000 Pennington Avenue South, Thief River Falls, MN 56701. The following is the 2021 proposed budget:

PROPOSED 2021 BUDGET	
Manager's fees and salaries	\$ 40,400.00
Board of managers' expense	
Staff salaries	558,000.00
Payroll taxes	42,687.00
Employee benefits	85,000.00
Travel and meetings	5,000.00
Audit	9,450.00
Legal	16,000.00
Office supplies	20,000.00
Office equipment	30,000.00
Appraisers and Viewers	2,000.00
Professional service	20,000.00
Dues and subscriptions	10,000.00
Insurance and bonds	25,000.00
Repairs and maintenance-building	15,000.00
Utilities	12,000.00
Advertising and publications	4,000.00
Telephone	13,000.00
Vehicle expense & maintenance	

Engineering supplies	15,000.00
Engineering equipment	3,000.00
40,000.00	
TOTAL	\$ 989,337.00
LESS: ESTIMATED OVERHEAD	(837,000.00)
LESS: MISCELLANEOUS	
REVENUE	(7,000.00)
PROPOSED 2021 GENERAL FUND BUDGET	\$145,337.00

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
An ad valorem tax of .0003627 times the taxable market value for 2020, collectible for 2021, will be levied on all taxable property within the Red Lake Watershed District. One-half of the levy will remain in the District for projects listed below; the other one-half of the levy will be sent to the Red River Watershed Management Board for projects within the Red River Basin.

Permitting system
Benchmarks
Flood Control studies/projects

Stream gauging
Water quality studies/projects

Rivers
Watershed hydrologic analysis

Lakes
Bank stabilization 021C

Wednesday, August 12, 2020



Who's Dat?



Who's Dat?

This weeks photo familiar faces if you graduated from Oklee High School.

Last week's photo was of Bertha Burman holding Randy Brekke, Ethel Johnson, Fraith Lamkim and Marie (Berman) Weaver.

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.

If you mail a photo to the Oklee Herald office, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope so the photos can be returned. Mail them to: Oklee Herald, PO Box 9, Oklee MN 56742 Or stop by the office and I will scan your photo to while you wait.



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