

Oklee Precipitation

By Einar Kvasager

	Rain	Snow
Aug. 15:	0.86	
Aug. 16:	0.02	
Aug. 17:	0.14	
Aug. 20:	0.13	
Total in.	1.15	0.00

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Calendar of Events

Wed, August 26:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
Thu, August 27:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
Fri, August 28:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
Sat, August 29:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
Sun, August 30:
-Worship at the church – check inside for church times and places.
Mon, August 31:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
Tue, September 1:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.

How can you find out if a Website with Covid information is factual?

Did you know there is a website where you can check to see if the news you heard about COVID-19 is correct or false. As I was doing some searching myself the other day, I found a site that researches anything COVID-19. It is important that we have the facts if we are going to fight this pandemic and win.

If you are surfing the web and you find something about COVID-19 and you want to find out if it is true or not, go to: <https://proprivacy.com/tools/scam-website-checker/>

This is the **COVID-19 Malicious Domain Research Hub**:

It has tracked malicious online activity related to the pandemic and found 125,130 POTENTIAL THREATS.

With over 600,000 domains analyzed and documented, the COVID-19 Malicious Domain Research Hub aims to become the single largest repository of open data related to malicious online activity.

So how do you check out the site you are looking at?

You go to: <https://proprivacy.com/tools/scam-website-checker/>

You type in the URL address (that is what you typed in to get to the website or the link you clicked on - Example: Nameof-site.com.) in the box

Enter any URL in the space provided and they will tell you if it has already been flagged as potentially harmful.

Just one more way to protect ourselves from COVID-19 and the misinformation that is out there.

4-H Scholarship Recipients

The Red Lake County 4-H Leader's Council presented \$250 scholarships to four members. They are Kaydon Kenfield, Kendra Rondorf, Tanisha Srnsky, and Sidney Olson. This scholarship program is open to graduating Red Lake County High School Seniors who have been active 4-H Members for at least three years. The scholarship application selection is based on the 4-H Members involvement in both the 4-H Youth Development Program and their community service.



The 2020 4-H Scholarship Award recipient **Kaydon Kenfield**, son of Jason and Sara Kenfield of Red Lake Falls, Mn. Kaydon is a member of the Huot Hustlers 4-H Club. He has been active in the 4-H Youth Development Program for 13 years. Some of his activities and participation include 4-H Ambassador Program, (helping with Get Green Night, Make It and Take It, and in school promotions); County and State Fair; 4-H Share the Fun Performance; 4-H Fruit Sales Fundraiser; Cleaning ditches; Camp Counselor; YELLO (Youth Exploring Leadership and Learning Outloud); CWF (Citizenship Washington Focus Trip); and other various officer roles.

Kaydon says, "Being in 4-H has given me many experiences that I couldn't imagine not having anymore. Some of my best friends I have made over the years have been through 4-H. The two most impacting things I have done as a 4-H'er was going to DC and Camp Counselor. Being a camp counselor made me realize that I wanted to become a teacher. Being able to work with kids and mold their lives in my hands makes me feel good inside. Going to DC made an impact on my political life. I met Collin Peterson and got to go to many different historical monuments."

The 2020 4-H Scholarship Award recipient, **Sidney Olson**, daughter of Conway and Kim Olson of Oklee, Mn. Sidney



is a member of the Garnes Go Getters 4-H Club. She has been active in the 4-H Youth Development Program for 9 years. Some of her activities and participation in 4-H include: 4-H County Ambassador Program, (helping with Get Green Night, Make It and Take It, and in school promotions); County and State Fair; 4-H Fruit Sales Fundraiser; 4-H Share the Fun Performance; (CWF) Citizenship Washington Focus Trip; and held various officer roles.

Sidney says, "Being a 4-H Member has played a huge part in my life. It has taught me leadership skills that I have been able to use in many different settings. 4-H has also given me the confidence to get up and speak in front of crowds."



The 2020 4-H Scholarship Award recipient, **Kendra Rondorf**, daughter of Lee and Jaclyn Rondorf of Red Lake Falls, Mn. Kendra is a member of the Huot Hustlers 4-H Club. She has been active in the 4-H Youth Development Program for 9 years. Some of her activities and participation in 4-H include: 4-H County Ambassador Program (helping with Get Green Night, Make It and Take It, and in school promotions); County and State Fair; 4-H Fruit Sales Fundraiser; 4-H Camp Counselor; Cleaning ditches; 4-H After School Program; and held various officer roles.

Kendra says, "4-H has helped me extend my interest into different categories of learning. It has also helped me get into more activities and has helped me be more outgoing as well as becoming a better leader."



The 2020 4-H Scholarship Award recipient, **Tanisha Srnsky**, daughter of Jennifer Srnsky and James Srnsky of Trail, Mn. Tanisha is a member of the Garnes Go Getters 4-H Club. She has been active in the 4-H Youth Development Program for 9 years. Some of her activities and participation in 4-H include: 4-H County Ambassador Program, (helping with Get Green Night, Make It and Take It, and in school promotions); County and State Fair; 4-H Fruit Sales Fundraiser; 4-H Share the Fun Performance; (CWF) Citizenship Washington Focus Trip; and held various officer roles.

Tanisha says, "4-H has given me the advantage to meet other people, step out of my comfort zone, and to meet other people from other states like on the Washington DC Trip."

If you would you like to donate funds to the Red Lake County 4-H Scholarship Program, donations can be sent to: Red Lake County Extension Office, Courthouse- P.O. Box 279, Red Lake Falls, Mn. 56750 or contact the Extension Office at 218-253-2897.

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	2019 Rain	2020 Rain
Mar	0.25	0.00
Apr	0.98	0.81
May	1.65	1.23
Jun	1.19	5.77
Jul	3.20	4.75
Aug	2.74	5.60
Sep	3.93	
Oct	3.76	
Nov	0.28	
Dec		
	17.98	18.16

Protect yourself from fraud during the coronavirus pandemic

Restrictions implemented to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus COVID-19 have saved untold numbers of lives. The world has adjusted to such restrictions, and many parts of the world have relaxed measures as case numbers have declined.

As communities begin returning to some semblance of normalcy, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has warned people against letting their guard down.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Inspector General has advised the general public about scams involving Medicare fraud.

Such schemes are targeting Medicare beneficiaries in an assortment of ways, including through text messages, social media, telemarketing calls, and even door-to-door visits. When perpetrating such frauds, scammers seek beneficiaries' personal information, which they then use to fraud-



Joe Wavra of Red Lake Falls received the 2020 Northwest Minnesota Star Artist of the Year for his lifetime achievement in wood carving.

Northwest Star Award Winner is Joe Wavra

The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council is pleased to announce that Joe Wavra of Red Lake Falls has been selected as the 2020 Northwest Minnesota Star Artist of the Year for his lifetime achievement in wood carving. Wavra received his award at a program in Red Lake Falls earlier this week.

Wavra is a self-taught chainsaw carver and owner of Klondike Carvings. His carvings include life-sized Vikings, trolls, Voyageurs, Wind Spirits, walleyes, and eagles. He has had no formal training. Fifteen years ago, he started with small hand tools and then progressed into chainsaws. He has been a full-time carver for 5 years.

A prolific artist and community-minded, Wavra has created many carvings for communities in our region, including benches on trails in Red Lake Falls, sculptures, and trolls throughout Thief River Falls. He's also been one of the organizers of Summerfest. Northwest Minnesota Arts Council Board Chair Briana Ingraham said, "he's always willing to donate carvings to fundraising events for families in need or community events." Asked about his creative process, Wavra said, "Practice, practice, repetition, muscle memory. Shut the critical part of your mind off and let the creative part go." Wavra doesn't draw the design beforehand. He just starts. "It was a natural for me. I take out the parts that

are in the way – it's already in there. I just need to reveal it."

Red Lake Falls Summerfest Chair Janet Wiskow explained, "Joe has shown over his many years here that he is an avid artist who is always willing to let others see how he creates his masterpieces, always willing to ensure his art is accessible to others, and is always willing to help our community thrive. He has been instrumental in the success of Summerfest."

Red Lake Falls Mayor Allen Bertilrud shared that Wavra's "artwork has added a unique beauty to our little town... Making art accessible to the young, the old, and everyone in between. He draws on our cultural history and memorializes it for the next generation. He has done so much over his long career to bring our past, our heritage, and our northwest Minnesota wildlife to life in his sculptures."

The Northwest Star Artist Award is given each year to recognize artists within our seven-county region who stand out in terms of artistry. Of the Year Award winners are nominated by area residents. This award comes with \$5,000. Artists can only receive our Northwest Star Award once, as a lifetime achievement award. Funding for the Northwest Star comes from the McKnight Foundation.

Congratulations Joe Wavra on winning the Northwest Star Award!

Covid-19 numbers are steady again...

Daily Inter-County Nursing Service

Covid-19 updates:

August 24th:

There are no new laboratory confirmed cases in Pennington and Red Lake Counties.

August 23th:

There are two new laboratory confirmed cases in Pennington County, the individuals are in their 20's and 30's, both recovering at home.

There are no new cases in Red Lake County.

August 22nd:

There is 1 new laboratory confirmed case in Red Lake County. The individual is in their 60's and is recovering at home.

There are no new laboratory confirmed cases in Pennington County.

August 20th:

There is one new laboratory confirmed case in Red Lake County, the individuals are in their 70's, recovering at home.

There are no new cases in Pennington County.

August 18th & 19th:

There are no new laboratory confirmed cases in Pennington and Red Lake Counties.

How long does someone that has tested positive for COVID-19 have to be isolated? The length of isolation does somewhat depend on the situation with a particular individual, but generally, someone is considered infec-

tious two days prior to showing symptoms and should be in isolation for 10 days from the start of symptoms and be fever free for 24 hours and have improvement of symptoms. If someone is seriously ill and, in the hospital, that isolation period is typically longer and would be directed by their health care provider. People with no symptoms, but who have tested positive, should isolate for 10 days from the day they were tested. During a case interview, the case investigator discusses these timelines with the individual.

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.

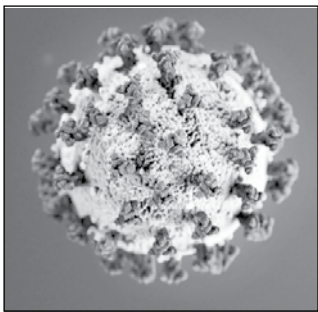


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Other Link for Info...

CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>

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



Statistics (8-24-2020):

- 70,298 Positive Tests
- 1,386,513 Complete Tests
- 63,059 Patients Who No Longer Need Isolation
- 1,771 Total Deaths
- As of this printing - Total Confirmed Cases in surrounding Counties:
 - Pennington County: 76
72 recovered cases
3 active case
5 hospitalization
1 death
 - Red Lake County: 28
26 recovered cases
5 active case
5 hospitalization
 - Polk County: 179
119 recovered
3 deaths
 - Marshall County: 31
 - Clearwater County: 17
 - Beltrami County: 296

For the most updated information on COVID-19, see the following websites: **Minnesota's daily situation update can be found at <https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/situation.html>**



Harvesting is in full swing for small grains all around our area.

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH

Zion and Salem
Pastor Linda Molitor
No Church services until further notice. Sermons are on GVTEL Channel 35 (10 am Sunday & 2 pm Tuesday), also on Facebook or YouTube.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF OKLEE, GRYGLA & GOODRIDGE

Fr. Adam Hamness
The Catholic Parishes of Oklee, Grygla, 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. 30: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Immanuel.

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 Merseeth
Sat, Aug. 29: Mt Olive: 9:00 a.m.
Sun, Aug. 30: 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

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH

Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Sun, Aug. 30: 9:30 a.m. Worship.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH

Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, Aug. 30: 9:00 a.m. Lund, 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.
CDC safety guidelines for COVID-19 will be followed.

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.



Tri-Valley Public Transportation

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

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

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

T.H.E. Bus Passenger Information

Please have the following information available when calling to schedule a ride:

Location/City where you will board the bus, Location/City of your destination, Hours/When pick-up is needed, and Appointment time will be helpful.

Other Rules: Only large items you are able to carry will be allowed on the bus. Please keep cell phone use at a minimum as a courtesy to others. Due to allergies, please keep

cologne/body spray/perfumes to a minimum. Shirt, shoes and appropriate clothing are required.

Red Lake County: Monday and Wednesday to Red Lake Falls 10 am - 2:30 pm Tuesday and Thursday to Thief River Falls 10 am - 2:30 pm

Oklee Senior Site Dining

August 31 - Sept. 4

No congregational 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: Chicken strip, hash browns, coleslaw, toast, and dessert.

Tue: Broasted chicken tator tots, corn, and dessert.

Wed: Hamburger w/bun, tuna macaroni salad, fries, and dessert.

Thu: Pork loin, mashed potatoes, gravy, carrots, and dessert.

Fri: Grilled ham & cheese, chili, and dessert.



As parents we always want the best for our children. **It's never too early to start teaching children good savings habits.**

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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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Mask up, Minnesota!

STAY SAFEMN

mn.gov/covid19

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Red Lake Falls Library

The "Dig Deeper" summer reading program drew to a close last weekend, with 40 registered participants for the month-long program.

The final two weeks' prize winners were Ellenore Brown, Justine Kargel, Sylvester Kargel, Charles Pearson, Esme Pearson, Eli Ramirez, Isaac Rath, Sam Rath, Erika Roff, Theo Tydlacka and William Tydlacka. The grand prize winner of a \$50 cash card was Logan Hovland. Logan did a lot of reading this summer and came with his family to the library every week for the SRP activities and books. Congratulations to him! And thank you to all the young readers who participated in this summer's event.

New adult nonfiction includes: "Becoming Wild: How Animal Cultures Raise Families, Create Beauty, and Achieve Peace" by Carl Safina, New York Times bestselling author who provides a bracingly fresh look at three nonhuman animal species, sperm whale, scarlet macaw, and chimpanzee, and the unique cultures they produce, revealing how

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Red Lake County Commissioners Minutes

RED LAKE COUNTY Regular Meeting Held July 28, 2020

Pursuant to adjournment of its last meeting the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners held its regular board meeting on July 28, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. All Board Members were present. Chairman Remick called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Inter County Nursing Service Director Kayla Jore was in attendance to discuss the Joint Affiliate Data Sharing Agreement and provide a COVID-19 update. According to Jore, the joint affiliate agreement will allow for sharing data across Community Health jurisdictions regarding community health, specifically COVID related and also make grant dollars available. Quin County CHS will receive the grant funds and in turn will distribute to the public Nursing Services. The agreement is between the counties of Kittson, Marshall, Pennington, Red Lake and Roseau. Commissioner Flage moved, seconded by Weiss and carried unanimously to approve the agreement as presented.

Jore updated on the COVID-19 pandemic. Jore mentioned that COVID cases are on the increase due to the Governor allowing more facilities to re-open. CDC Guidelines have changed slightly regarding quarantine requirements. Presently no further information is available on development of vaccines. Jore also provided some information on the Federal CARES Act funding available from the state.

There was also discussion on whether to re-open county facilities to the public. Sheriff Bernstein was present and recommended to continue operations as it is currently due to the recent rise in positive cases in the county. Bernstein also suggested, due to the new outbreaks, that the county continue following all the safety protocols as much as possible and the directives from Governor Walz regarding wearing of face masks. The board concurred.

Commissioner Flage moved and seconded by Dudycha to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held on July 14, 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

Auditor Schmitz reviewed information regarding the CARES Act Election Grant that the county may apply for to use towards added costs in administering the 2020 elections due to COVID-19. Commissioner Weiss moved, seconded by Dudycha and carried unanimously to grant County Auditor Schmitz the authority to make the decision whether to submit the application for the CARES Act funding according to the state application.

There being no further business the regular board meeting was adjourned to August 11, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

Attest: _____

Robert Schmitz, County Auditor
Al Remick, Chair,
Board of Commissioners
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Oklee Centennial Cookbook Recipe Corner - From page 113

Peachy Green Salad with Lime Dressing Donna (Jensen) Larson

2 cups chopped or torn mixed salad greens (or more, I use an entire bag of lettuce and add some chopped romaine)
2 cups chopped cooked chicken (optional) (I leave out the meat when serving with a meat dish)
1 cup chopped celery (optional)
15 oz can peaches, well drained and chopped (can use fresh)
1 cup chopped sweet red and/or yellow pepper
1/2 cup dry roasted peanuts or cashews

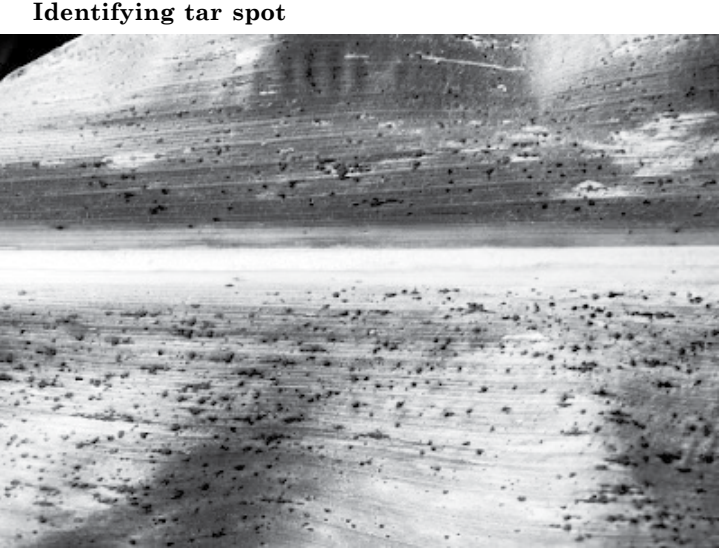
Dressing:
1/3 cup frozen limeade concentrate
1/3 cup vegetable (canola) oil
2 Tbsp vinegar
2-3 Tbsp minced fresh (1 Tbsp dried) parsley or cilantro
1/4 tsp ground ginger
1/4 tsp salt

In a salad shaker or a jar with a tight fitting lid combine all dressing ingredients, shake well to mix and refrigerate until needed (this can be done a couple days ahead of time) In a large bowl, combine all salad ingredients-leaving the peanuts until just before serving time. When ready to serve, add peanuts, pour dressing over salad. Toss and serve immediately. This salad is especially good with Mexican food. The lime dressing with Mexican fare is great! I often omit the celery and chicken and use the dry roasted peanuts and canned peaches.



Tar Spot of Corn Found in MN in 2020

By Dean Malvick, Extension plant pathologist
Tar spot of corn was found last fall for the first time in Minnesota. In 2020, tar spot is again developing in corn fields in southern Minnesota. Tar spot was recently confirmed at low levels in two fields in southern Fillmore County. This disease was also found near those sites in 2019.
Now is a good time to scout for tar spot in fields in Minnesota to determine how far this disease has spread. The dry weather in many areas of Minnesota in late July and early August likely suppressed tar spot, but recent rains may have favored development of this disease. Although tar spot was found only in southeastern Minnesota in 2019, we do not know how far this disease spread and it may not be restricted to southeastern parts of the state.



Tar spot of corn. Photo: Dean Malvick
Corn tar spot is caused by the fungus *Phyllachora maydis*. The tar spot fungus infects leaves (and sometimes husks) and produces raised, small (0.1” – 0.2”) raised black structures on the leaf surface. The black structures are firm, appear smooth on the surface, and the spots do not rub off or break open as do rust pustules. Tar spot can also produce fisheye symptoms that appear as black spot surrounded by tan lesions with dark borders.



Tar spot of corn.
Tar spot can result in significant corn yield losses, depending on weather, severity, and timing of disease development. Risk of disease is highest where the disease has occurred previously. Thus, even if the levels of disease are low, we want to know where it has spread in part to help us understand risk in future years.
If tar spot starts developing to high levels well before maturity, fungicides have been shown to be effective to manage it, although optimal timing of applications must to be determined. Please contact us
Please contact me (Dean Malvick, University of Minnesota) through the Digital Crop Doc program (<http://z.umn.edu/Digital-CropDoc>), where you can send photos of symptoms if you suspect that you have found tar spot of corn in Minnesota.
Additional information
Background information on tar spot and disease management: Tar spot (<https://crop-protection-network.s3.amazonaws.com/publications/tar-spot-filename-2020-05-12-175731.pdf>)
Tar spot: Identification and management - webinar recording from the Essential Row Crop Management series
Fungicide efficacy for control of corn diseases (<https://crop-protection-network.s3.amazonaws.com/publications/fungicide-efficacy-for-control-of-corn-diseases-filename-2020-03-18-150007.pdf>)
Known distribution of tar spot in the U.S.: <https://corn.ipmPIPE.org/tarspot-2/>
Yield loss estimates from corn tar spot in Midwest in 2018: <https://cropprotection-network.org/resources/features/how-tar-spot-of-corn-impacted-hybrid-yields-during-the-2018-midwest-epidemic>

2020 Red Lake County 4-H Achievement Day Grand and Reserve Ribbon Winners...



Brycin Bahmann, Conference Judging



Hailey Hanson (front) and Paige Olson(back) , Conference Judging.

Every summer, 4-H youth participate in County Fairs to showcase the knowledge and skills they’ve gained throughout the year, and to continue their learning in project areas designed to equip them with essential life skills such as problem solving, decision making, project management, communications and public speaking.
County fairs not only make great memories, they help 4-H youth grow into successful adults. This year, Red Lake County 4-H held a 4-H

Achievement Day on Friday, July 31 at the Community Hall in Oklee. But, with the Covid-19 virus, members were judged and their projects were sent home with them that same day. There was also a virtual option available for members too. We followed the CDC and MN Dept of Health Guidelines and UMN policies (social distancing, wearing face masks, disinfecting, etc.). 4-H Volunteers were in place to monitor these duties. There was even a contest to create your own facial mask or you could have

help making it. These members received \$10 each from the business awards for their face mask creation. (Kendra Rondorf, Hayden Shulstad, McKenzie Hamm, Hudson Shulstad, Amelia Warne, and Malayna Hamm.)
Listed below are the grand and reserve champion winners.....
Food and Nutrition, Grand – Hailey Hanson, Reserve- Paige Olson; 4-H Demonstration, Grand – Jack Dodson; Illustrated Demonstration, Grand –



Bailey Miller - 4-H Demonstrations on Rubberband bracelets.



News Release 08-21-20
On the evening of 08/15/20, the Red Lake County Sheriff’s Office received a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence in Oklee. The reporting party claimed that the suspect, Jesse Leonard Hodgson (37) of Oklee, had left the residence. Mr. Hodgson was located in the Brooks Cenex parking lot by a Red Lake County deputy. Investigation revealed that Mr. Hodgson was intoxicated and he had driven a vehicle from Oklee to Brooks, after he had assaulted a female in Oklee. He was arrested for these criminal offenses. On the way to the jail in Crookston, he began experiencing medical issues. The Red Lake Falls Ambulance was called to provide assistance. He was taken to the River-

view ER in Crookston to be examined. He was ultimately released from the hospital and was transported to the jail. Mr. Hodgson was booked for felony domestic assault and gross misdemeanor DWI test refusal. He appeared in Court in Crookston on 08/17/20, he posted \$600 cash bond, and was released on several conditions, including no contact with the victim and no use of alcohol.
On 08/16/20, the Red Lake County Sheriff’s Office received a report of a theft from a Red Lake Falls residence. That report is still under investigation.
On the afternoon of 08/16/20, Logan Desmond Webber (21) of Thompson, ND was cited for speeding on CR. #13 west of Red Lake Falls.
On the afternoon of 08/17/20, the Red Lake County Sheriff’s Office received a 911 call from a female who claimed that she had been assaulted and the suspect was still at the residence. Red Lake County law enforcement officers responded to a residence at the Oaks Trailer Court in Red Lake Falls. Randy Lee Olson Brosseau (34) of Red Lake Falls was arrested and taken to the jail in Crookston. He was booked for misdemeanor domestic assault. On 08/19/20, the criminal charge was formally amended to felony because Mr. Brosseau has two or more domestic assault-related convictions within the past ten years Mr. Brosseau appeared in Court in Red Lake Falls later that day. The Court imposed a bail of \$500 cash to be paid prior to his release from custody.
On 08/18/20, the Red Lake County Sheriff’s Office received a report of dangerous driving conduct that occurred in Red Lake Falls in the early morning hours of 08/15/20. The driving conduct had been video recorded and put onto Social Media. Marcus Randy Paradis (18) of Red Lake Falls was cited for misdemeanor careless driving.
On the afternoon of 08/18/20, Jane Ruth Voss (69) of Bloomington, MN was cited for speeding on Hwy. #92 near Terrebonne.
On the morning of 08/19/20, Patricia Ann Bren (38) of Oklee was arrested at her residence for violating the terms of her supervised probation. She was taken to the jail in Crookston and booked for that violation.
Mitch Bernstein 08/21/20

Red Lake County Sheriff’s Report

kids' corner

SCIENCE FACT:

THIS ELECTRICAL CHARGE IS MOST OFTEN LIMITED TO CLOUDS AND ONLY RARELY REACHES THE GROUND.

ANSWER: LIGHTNING

How they SAY that in...

ENGLISH: Storm
SPANISH: Tormenta
ITALIAN: Tempesta
FRENCH: Orage
GERMAN: Gewitter

What’s the Difference?

There are four things different between Picture A and Picture B. Can you find them all?

A

B

Answers: 1. Polka dots missing 2. Extra paw print pulled down 3. Left umbrella handle missing 4. Jeans leg

THIS DAY IN... HISTORY

AUG 25

- **1609:** GALILEO GALILEI DEMONSTRATES HIS FIRST TELESCOPE TO LAWMAKERS IN VENICE.
- **1875:** MATTHEW WEBB BECOMES THE FIRST PERSON TO SWIM ACROSS THE ENGLISH CHANNEL.
- **1950:** PRESIDENT HARRY TRUMAN ORDERS THE SEIZURE OF U.S. RAILROADS TO AVERT A STRIKE.

New Word

CURRENT

a flow of electricity

Did You Know?

LAKE MARACAIBO IN VENEZUELA IS RECEIVES MORE LIGHTNING STRIKES THAN ANY PLACE ON EARTH. THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF STRIKES CAN OCCUR IN ONE NIGHT.

GET THE PICTURE?

Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: LIGHTNING STRIKE

CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to retail. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 6 = r)

A. 4 16 23 26 14 6
Clue: Provides goods or services

B. 11 18 14 6 16
Clue: Place of business

C. 6 16 20 9 11 18 16 6
Clue: Where items are paid for

D. 25 6 14 12 9 18
Clue: Financial gain

Answers: A. vendor B. store C. register D. profit

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to hot breakfast.

CPENAAK

ANSWER: PANCAKE

Oklee Herald Early Files

Eighty Years Ago August 22, 1940

Henry Falardeau, local postmaster, last week, received his new appointment as postmaster in Oklee. The certificate bears the signature of President Franklin D. Roosevelt and James A Farley as postmaster general.

The Oklee Public Schools will reopen on Tuesday, September 3rd with registration on August 29 & 30.

The members of the Ole Birkeland family of Oklee joined with relatives from McIntosh, from North Dakota and Spearfish, South Dakota for a big family reunion at Roy Lake on Sunday. About 50 relatives and guest were present.

A group of young girls were entertained at the Peter Bergeron home Tuesday in honor of Irene Bergeron's tenth birthday. Games were played after which a delicious lunch was served.

In the Gully area threshing is well underway with a heavy yield of grain to the acre.

The Gully baseball team defeated Fosston in a ten -inning game on the local diamond Sunday, by a score of 13-12.

Seventy Years Ago August 24, 1950

The Canada-to-Superior oil pipeline operation, which skirted the village last week, is story of men and machines. An incredible device rides on the pipe, creeping steadily forward and applying a coat of hot tar followed by a wrapping of fiberglass paper and over that a wrapping of tar paper. For this operation the pipe is held above ground with blocks and a crane. Traveling ahead of off the machinery are the welding crews who seal the lengths of pipe together with arc welders. An x-ray machine checks the welds for flaws...the final operation is the ditcher, a huge rotary digger which cuts a clean 5 foot ditch at an unusually fast pace and the 18 inch steel pipe, now thoroughly protected from corrosive elements is lowered into the ditch and the bulldozers complete the job.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Brekke of Oklee Thursday at the Thief River Falls hospital.

Sixty Years Ago August 25, 1960

Judy and David Johnson of the Garnes Go-Getters 4-H Club exhibited two Black Angus steers at the Red Lake County Fair last week and won second place.

A bridal shower was held at Immanuel Church in Plummer in honor of Carol DuChamp.

The Plummer Conservation Club held their regular meeting and considering that fact that most farmers were busy with harvesting, it was well attended.

Thursday dinner guests at the Merle Lundeen home were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pugh of Bagley. Sunday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lundeen and the Erling Lundeen family.

A group of ladies attended a

pink and blue shower Thursday afternoon at the Rueben Hanson home in honor of Mrs. Roy Thompson.

Fifty Years Ago August 27, 1970

An inch of rain, the first in about a month, fell over most of the area Friday leaving a freshened atmosphere. But it was too late to benefit grain crops.

Joyce Lindquist, daughter of Ruth Lindquist of Oklee, was graduated from the summer session at Bemidji State College with a major in Mathematics and a minor in physical education.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Vanyo and family and Andrew Yanyo of Warren and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Walter and Renae of Plummer were Sunday afternoon guests at the Walter Novak home.

The Otto Johnson family entertained many from the area and a dancing party in their new Quonset. A most enjoyable time was had by all.

The classes that graduated from Plummer High School in 1949, 1950, 1951 & 1952 enjoyed a class reunion on August 15th. The reunion was held in a private dining room at the Sheraton Motor Inn in Minneapolis.

Forty Years Ago August 28, 1980

In connection with the Jerry Lewis MD Telethon, Oklee Recreation will be sponsoring a 24-hour bowl-a-thon.

Many came to the Arnold Haugen home on Friday to wish him a happy 77th birthday.

New teachers at Oklee Schools are Paul Hamilton, Science teacher, replacing Mr. Lee Warne. Mrs. Connie Dugstad will be the new 6th grade teacher. She is replacing Mrs. Wahlen who retired last year. David Peterson will be student teaching this fall in the advanced math and computer classes under Mrs. Ruth Lindquist. Mrs. Maurice Ferden taught half-time the past few years as the elementary music teacher and now will be full time, doing the music and being the librarian, replacing Miss Adella Lindquist. And Mrs. Haugen also went from part-time to full time adding the position of Title I tutor replacing Mrs. Warne.

Thirty Years Ago August 29, 1990

Donna and Larry Walldal recently purchased a mobile home and now have lost their home to fire, which started around noon on August 25th.

Ardis Hofstad had been named Athletic Director for the Oklee High School and is the first woman Athletic Director in Region 8A.

A special meeting of the Oklee School board was held for the purpose of discussing the latest teacher salary proposal. Motion was made to accept the proposal retroactive from July 1st.

On August 4th & 5th, there was a Nora Seibel family reunion at the Tom Paulley home, rural Deer River, where Nora now lives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Vat-

thauer attended a reunion of Vaththauer relatives in August at Eldora, Iowa.

The Lake Itasca Region Pioneer Reunion was held this past weekend with many people attending.

Twenty Years Ago August 24, 2000

Beginning with the first grade and including her professional career, with the exception of her post high school college years, Ardis Hofstad has walked through the doors of the Oklee School for her entire life. First as student, then teacher, coach, athletic director, administrator, and now as principal.

Senior Birthday celebrated this month were Vi Bergh, Pearl Laniel and Leona Via.

Ron Paradis was honored recently by the Plummer American Legion Post 623 for 50 years of membership. He joined the American Legion in 1949.

Attending the Arlt reunion at the Larry Arlt cabin near Alexandria were Arnie and Wilma Arlt, Gary and Cindy Arlt, Lowell and Cindy Arlt, and Les and Mary Arlt.

Joel Kvasager and Jennifer Eck announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

Ten Years Ago August 25, 2010

City of Oklee approved the revised Oklee City Codes that were researched and updated by the Oklee Zoning Committee.

Oklee's Laundry and Car Wash was closed quite a while ago due to problems with break-ins and damage to the building. Bob & Emily Bernier decided to purchase the old building, opening only the car wash portion of the business. They cleaned up the old building and gave it a new look.

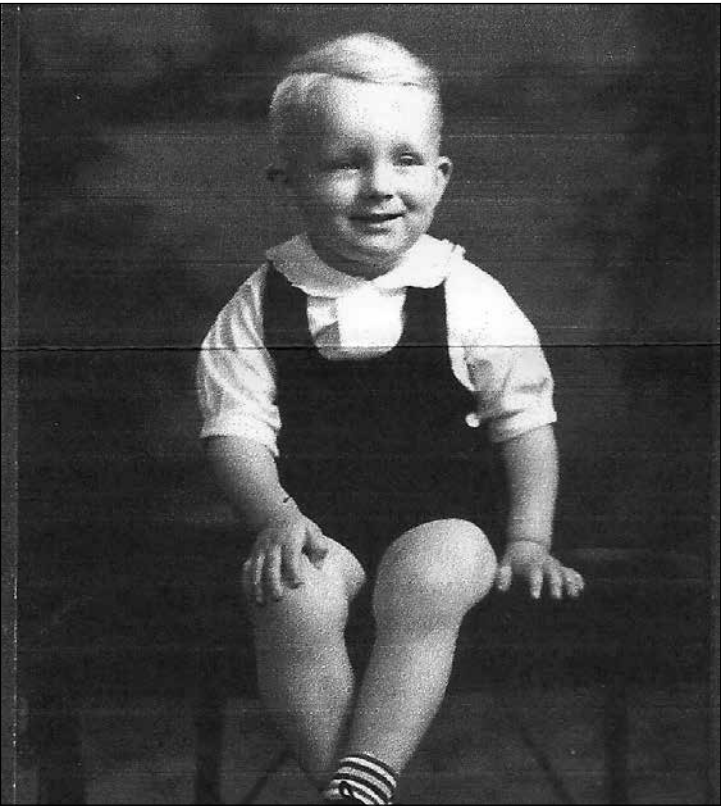
Sergio and Shari Palacios were proud to announce the birth of their new son, Josiah. Proud grandma is Gloria Rustan.

At the Oklee Centennial celebration on July 4th, music written by two local songwriters were sung. Jack Sundrud sang "Among Friends," and John Kimball wrote an original song about Oklee and was accompanied by friends Jay Forney and Milo Ballingrud.

Pearl Johnson was the birthday gal at the Senior Site and winner of the free meal also.

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Who's Dat?



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This weeks photo is of of a young man that grew up in the Oklee area.

Last week's photo was of birthday girl (with the flower pinned to her) Mabel Bergerson with her sister Inga Johnson sitting to her left. Behind her are Mabel's three daughters: Corrine Bergerson, Marlys Kerr and Delores Peterson.

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.

Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteers Jo Lambert & Bonny Cote

The Oklee Senior Site is in need of Meals on Wheels Drivers. This is such an important volunteer job. Seniors depend on the meals delivered, especially now with the Covid-19 virus hampering their lives as they try to stay safe and healthy. This job is takes about 20 to 30 minutes. All people receiving meals live in the City of Oklee and really appreciate the meals. If you are interested in being a Meals on Wheels driver, please contact Jo Lambert at 796-4527. Masks are required and if you don't have one, let us know and we will provide you one.

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.

Dates To Remember

Aug. 26: Women's Equality

Day.

Sept. 5: International Day of Charity.

Sept. 7: Labor Day.

Sept. 8: International Literacy Day.

Interesting Facts

The plural of octopus is not actually "octopi", because "octopus" derives from the Greek words meaning "eight foot," and the plural ending "-i" is Latin. The true Greek plural would be "octopodes" but the standard English word is "Octopuses."

It was Britain's Prince Albert who originated the boutonniere. It seems that while they were courting, Queen Victoria offered a small bouquet of flowers to her future husband. Prince Albert used his pocketknife to cut a hole in the lapel of his jacket and put the stems of the bouquet through it.

***** Jokes *****

Two guys were driving down the street and came upon a red

traffic light. The driver didn't even slow down. He ran right through the red light.

The passenger said, "Why did you run that red light?"

The driver said, "My brother dose it all the time." They came to another red light. Same thing, he ran right through it.

The passenger said, "You did it again!"

The driver said, "My brother does it all the time."

A couple of blocks down the street they came to a green light, where they driver politely stopped.

The passenger asked, "What are you doing?"

The driver said, "My brother might be coming from the other way!"

A teacher asked her students to use the word "beans" in a sentence. "My father grows beans," said one girl. "My mother cooks beans," said a boy. A third student spoke up, "We are all human beans."

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe

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celebrated her 38th birthday. They usually live to be about 30 or so. She had a birthday cake. She has many descendants.

1920's prices for movies will cost 15¢ each, at some theaters for a while.

A woman in Fargo is expecting quintuplets. She is due on September 7th. They have a seven and two year old boys. It will be Fargo's first quintuplets.

Wednesday afternoon Alice Jobe and Anna DeHate visited Anne Traxler.

On Thursday, Plummer Senior Citizen's met at the hall. They had cupcakes and blueberry cream cheese coffee cake and coffee. They also played "Left, Right, Center." It was an enjoyable afternoon.

On Sunday I went to my sister Phyllis and brother-in-law Joe Unruh's. We had delicious BLT's and later blueberry pie

from blueberries close to their place. Phyllis and I went for a fun ride on the Polaris Ranger down a road called Wobble Forest Road. It was so fun and a beautiful drive. We also stopped at the cemetery that's nearby. It was a very enjoyable afternoon; something I really needed to do.

Last Sunday I saw a field had been combined. It may have been barley or wheat. On Wednesday, this week, there were four combines that had finished a field about 5 miles south of Thief River Falls on the east side. So it is good to see thing are starting. Hopefully the weather cooperates.

Radio is 100 years old this year. First station was in Pittsburgh. A radio cost about \$100 back then. What a great invention.

Have a great week!

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

What nice weather we have had. The fields are being harvested and I believe the wheat harvest is nearly done in most cases. It looks like the weather will be dry this week and I'll wager it will be all done by the end of the week. Stay safe farmers, we need you all.

This year where most things are cancelled the Blast to Brooks decided to have their celebration. There is a big raffle that tickets are being sold for and a parade at 2:00

pm. This is all happening on September 12th. there will be some live music, Wild Wes will be there, and the Honky Tonk Troubadours will play from 1 to 5 pm. There will be a DJ too. The Fugitives will play 5 to 8 pm. The parade will be at 2:00 pm. A car show, a bean bag tournament, Kids games and a flea market. It looks like a lot of fun for all. Come and enjoy and buy a raffle ticket. There are lots of prizes. There will not be a ping pong drop due to the covid regulations.

The Paradis hosted a motorcycle ride on Saturday. 42 people came and they rode around the lakes and did 150 miles round trip. Cindy and Del Determan, and Scott and Judy Morinville and Steve and Tammy Morinville joined in this ride. The weather was perfect for riding and a great feed was hosted by Lonnie and Kenya Paradis at their lake

home on Union Lake.

Summer is winding down and the kids are excited to go back to school again. We hope everyone of them enjoy getting back in the classroom. they all are excited to see their friends after this long time out of school. I am assuming that the schools will open soon.

Ian Ellenson stopped and stayed overnight at his grandparents' home Saturday and Sunday. He moved into his dorm room at UND on Saturday. His brother, Phillip, went to Houghton Michigan to move into his dorm room over the weekend. Nancy and Matt Ellenson went to help him move to Houghton and did some sightseeing in Upper Michigan while they had a chance. Ian and Phillip are the grand children of Jerome and Barb Novak.

Stay safe and keep smiling. Have a good week.

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