

Oklee Precipitation
By Einar Kvasager
Sept. 9 Rain Snow
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Oklee Herald

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Wednesday, September 16, 2020



Principal Randall Pederson welcoming the students back to the 2020-2021 school year. Thing will be different this year due to the Covid-19 still being an issue in our country and region. The students were spaced out in the gymnasium and all person are required to wear masks.

National Wilderness Month: September 2020 - The Beginnings of the National Wilderness Preservation System

"When the Wilderness Act was passed in 1964, 54 areas (9.1 million acres) in 13 states were designated as wilderness. This law established these areas as part of the National Wilderness Preservation System (NWPS). Since 1964, the NWPS has grown almost every year and now includes 803 areas (111,687,310) in 44 states and Puerto Rico. In 1980, the passage of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation

Act (ANILCA) added over 56 million acres of wilderness to the system, the largest addition in a single year. 1984 marks the year when the most new wilderness areas were added. "Overall, however, only about 5% of the entire United States—an area slightly larger than the state of California—is protected as wilderness. Because Alaska contains just over half of America's wilderness, only about 2.7% of the contiguous

United States—an area about the size of Minnesota—is protected as wilderness."

From The American Presidency Project, Proclamation 9482—National Wilderness Month, 2016:

"In our Nation's earliest days, a vast majority of North America was wilderness—from majestic plains and imposing mountain ranges to dense forests and rushing waterways. Today, protected wild spaces

continue to serve as a backdrop for curious and adventurous Americans to seek the thrill and joy of connecting with the sacred spirit of our country's wilderness, offering a wide variety of activities including hiking, camping, and climbing. This month, as we cherish our vast and vibrant natural heritage, we resolve to preserve its splendors for all who will follow in our footsteps."

Calendar of Events

Wed, Sept. 16:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
Thu, Sept. 17:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
Fri, Sept. 18:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
Sat, Sept. 19:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
Sun, Sept. 20:
-Worship at the church – check inside for church times and places.
Mon, Sept. 21:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
Tue, Sept. 22:
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Wed, Sept. 23:
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Wed, Sept. 24:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
Thu, Sept. 25:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
Fri, Sept. 26:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
Sat, Sept. 27:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!

Covid-19 numbers stabilize this week...

Daily Inter-County Nursing Service

Covid-19 updates:

September 14th :

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

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

September 13th:

There are two new laboratory confirmed cases in Pennington County, one in their 50's and one is a child, both recovering at home.

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

September 12th:

There are no new laboratory confirmed cases in Pennington County.

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

September 11th:

There are no new laboratory confirmed cases to report in Pennington and Red Lake County.

September 10th:

There are no new laboratory confirmed cases in Pennington County.

There is one new laboratory confirmed case in Red Lake County, the individual is in their 40's, recovering at home.

September 8th Update:
There are no new laboratory confirmed cases to report in Pennington and Red Lake County.

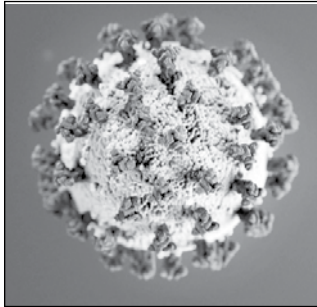
September 8th Update:
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There is one new laboratory confirmed case in Red Lake County, the individual is in their teens, recovering at home.

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>**

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 infectious 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.

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



Statistics (9-14-2020):

- 84,949 Positive Tests
- 1,724,779 Complete Tests
- 1,243,355 People tested
- 78,238 Patients Who No Longer Need Isolation
- 1,922 Total Deaths
- 6,954 Total Hospitalized
- As of this printing - Total Confirmed Cases in surrounding Counties:
 - Pennington County: 106
 - 103 recovered cases
 - 2 active case
 - 7 hospitalization
 - 1 death
 - Red Lake County: 36
 - 35 recovered cases
 - 1 active case
 - 5 hospitalization
 - Polk County: 246
 - 194 recovered
 - 4 deaths
 - Marshall County: 49
 - Clearwater County: 24
 - Beltrami County: 358



Red Lake County "CARES Act-Small Business Grant" applications

In early August, Red Lake County was eligible to receive \$531,102.00 of Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act funds, as assigned through the State of Minnesota.

The Red Lake County Board approved to allocate up to \$318,000 of this funding toward a County Small Business Relief Fund program in the form of up to \$5,000 in Individual Grants for our small businesses in the County to assist with business income losses due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Grant applications will be reviewed by a committee comprised of County Officials on a weekly basis until the allotment of funds has been exhausted. The deadline date for applications is: October 10, 2020.

Applications are available at:

Red Lake County Auditor
124 Langevin Ave
PO Box 367
Red Lake Falls, MN 56750
Application can also be found at the Red Lake County website at www.co.red-lake.mn.us

For more information, contact Bob Schmitz, Red Lake County Auditor at 218-253-2598.

Only in Minnesota: a weekly feature in the Grygla Eagle

The Minneapolis Skyway System

An interesting fact about Minnesota is that that the Minneapolis Skyway System is the largest, contiguous system of enclosed, second level bridges in the world!

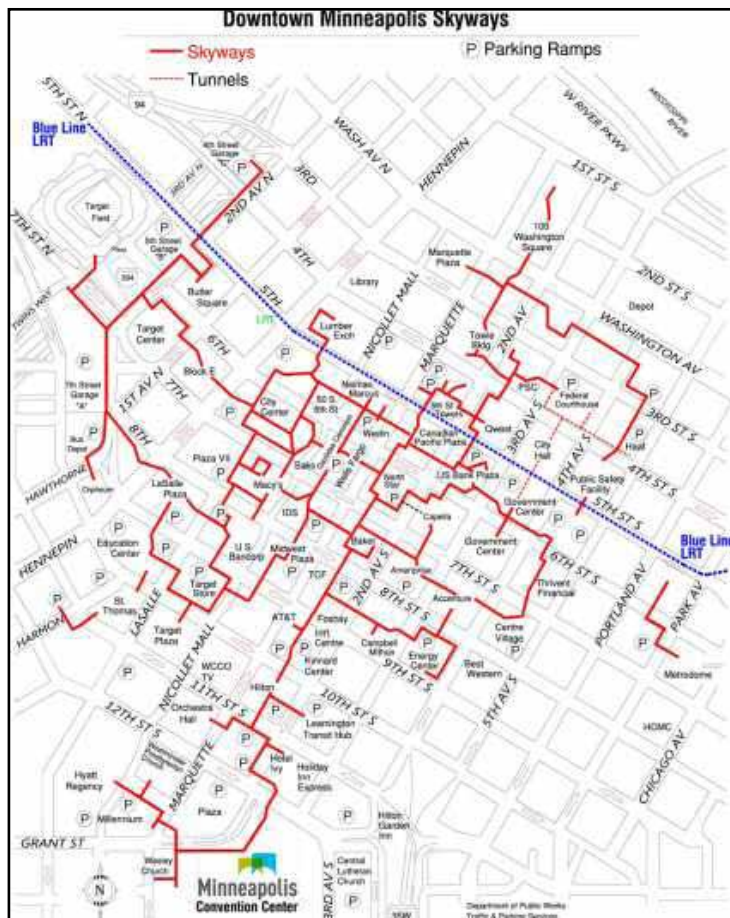
It's composed of 9.5 miles of pathways connecting 80 city blocks. The system connects corporate offices, bars, restaurants, bakeries, hotels, government services, retail, gyms, grocery stores, liquor stores, banks, doctors, dentists, masseurs, pharmacies, hair and nail salons, dry cleaners, live theaters, three pro sports facilities, a church, art exhibits, and well, you get the idea!

The city's first skyway, connecting the new Northstar Center building to the Northwestern Bank Building, opened

in 1962. The construction of the IDS in 1974 (still the tallest building in downtown Minneapolis) was a key moment for the skyway network. The building featured skyways connecting buildings in all four directions, which integrated what was up until then, a scattered system.

In 2016, the skyways connecting U.S. Bank Stadium to the rest of the system brought the total length of pathways to over 8 cumulative miles. With skyways being included in nearly all new construction in central downtown, maps and way finding signage became necessary.

There are about 140 options for skyway-connected food, which includes a list of familiar chains, as well as sit-down, ground floor restaurants that are accessible by the skyway.



Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH

Zion and Salem
Pastor Linda Molitor
Wed, Sept. 16: 7:00 p.m.
 Parent's Confirmation Meeting at Zion.
Sun, Sept. 20: 9:00 a.m. Zion, 9:00 a.m. SS at Salem. 10:00 a.m. SS at Zion. 10:30 a.m. Salem.
Wed, Sept. 23: 7:00 p.m. Confirmation at Zion.
 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 Hammess
Sun, Sept. 20: 8:00 a.m. St. Francis – Oklee. 10:15 a.m. – Grygla. 12:00 p.m. – Goodridge.
 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
Saturday: St. Joseph RLF 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: Brooks Sunday 8:00 a.m. St. Joseph 10:00 a.m.

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA

Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, Sept. 20: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Immanuel. 7:00 p.m. Worship at Ebenezer.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH

Bethany-Ekelund-Faith Pastor Kristen Ostercamp
Wed, Sept. 16: 7:00 p.m. Bethany (outdoor).
Sun, Sept. 20: 8:30 a.m. Ekelund. 9:30 a.m. Facebook Live. 10:30 a.m. Ekelund Formation. 7:00 p.m. Grade Nine Zoom.
Tue, Sept. 22: 7:00 p.m. Bible Study Zoom.
Wed, Sept. 23: 7:00 p.m. Faith (outdoor).

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

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH

Mt. Olive – Nazareth Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseth
Wed, Sept. 16: 5 p.m. Wednesday School. 7:00 p.m. OP Ladies Aid.
Sat, Sept. 19: Mt Olive: 9:00 a.m.
Sun, Sept. 20: St. Petri: 8:00 a.m. Worship. 9:15 a.m. SS; Oak Park: 8:30 a.m. SS. 9:45 a.m. Worship; Nazareth: 10:00 a.m. SS. 11:00 a.m. Worship.

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

Wed, Sept. 23: 5 p.m. Wednesday School.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH

Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Sept. 16: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Sun, Sept. 20: 9:30 a.m. Worship.
Tue, Sept. 22: 9:30 a.m. Women's Group.
Wed, Sept. 23: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH

Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, Sept. 20: 9:00 a.m. Lund, 10:30 a.m. Bethany.
CDC safety guidelines for COVID-19 will be followed.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston

Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Radio service continues on 96.7FM 10:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service. And on Facebook Live as well, Sunday at 10AM.

Oklee Senior Site Dining

September 21 - 25

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: Cheese burger, American fries, corn, milk, and dessert.

Tue: ½ Patty melt, fries, green beans, milk, and dessert.

Wed: BBQ on bun, potato salad, mixed veggies, milk, and dessert.

Thu: Baked ham, parsley buttered potatoes, carrots, bread, milk, and dessert.

Fri: Tator tot hotdish, coleslaw, bread, milk, and dessert.

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Red Lake County Sheriff's Report

News Release 09-11-20

On the evening of 09/04/20, Red Lake County deputies arrested Cordwyn Crane (36) of Red Lake Falls at his residence. Red Lake County held an active misdemeanor warrant for his arrest. Mr. Crane posted \$50 cash bond to satisfy the warrant. He was released from custody and his next court date was scheduled for 09/30/20 in Red Lake Falls.

Shortly after midnight on 09/05/20, a Red Lake County deputy stopped a vehicle on Hwy. #32 north of Red Lake Falls for unsafe driving conduct. Upon further investigation, the deputy discovered the driver, Gregory Thomas McGlynn (60) of Red Lake Falls was under the influence of alcohol. Mr. McGlynn was arrested and taken to the jail in Crookston. He was booked for gross misdemeanor DWI and he was released from custody later that day. He will be summoned to appear in Court in Red Lake Falls sometime later this month.

On the afternoon of 09/05/20, a Red Lake County deputy discovered that a section of roadway in Garnes Township was damaged from one of the recent rain storms. Township officials were notified and they closed the road until it could be repaired.

On the afternoon of 09/05/20, the Red Lake County Sheriff's

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Official City of Oklee Minutes

City of Oklee Council Meeting July 13th 2020, Oklee Café 6.00PM

Meeting called to order at 5.57 PM

Roll Call: Mayor Burthwick, Genova, Olson, Brekke and Cyr also present Erik Hove, Cross, Tougas, Schmitz and also Bonny Cote.

June Minutes: Motion to accept May minutes by Olson and seconded by Genova, motion carried.

June Financials: Motion to accept by Cyr and seconded by Olson, motion carried.

May Bills: Motion to accept by Cyr and seconded by Genova, motion carried.

Sherriff's report: Sherriff Bernstein said he had received usual calls from a resident in town complaining about various things.

Corona Virus case in Red Lake Falls.

Concern on exposure to Law enforcement, no longer taking finger prints at this time.

Generally not as proactive, safety must come first.

Erik Hove, County Engineer: Erik gave a presentation of three proposals on the future sidewalk improvements, Gold version, silver version and the bronze version.

Residents had been proactive in filling out the questionnaires, it has been a great response.

Construction of the sidewalks is being paid out of gas tax, this will include drains and catch basins adjusted, sidewalks at code which is no more than 2% grade. Street lights replaced, road resurfaced.

Motion to accept the Bronze plan by Cyr, seconded by Genova, motion carried.

Stop Signs a discussion on may be replacing some yield signs with stop signs at three intersections.

Catholic Church, stop signs East and West, Lutheran Church East and West and also at the pickleball/BasketBall Court, again East and west, The idea of the stop signs is to slow people down especially during church hours, and the thinking about the pickleball/BasketBall Court is

because it is being used much more now, so slowing some people down is a good thing, also a pedestrian crossing too.

Maintenance: Water Tower in good shape after the inspection, we are now contracted to have the inspection done every two years.

Tougas has been spraying weeds and mowing.

A discussion on charging for spraying weeds, if people do not take care of weeds on their own property, we will go in and spray them and charge the home owner, \$50-\$75 once the weeds reach 4 inches in length.

Amend existing ordinance to include weed killing.

Motion to update Ordinance to include Weeds by Genova and seconded Brekke, motion carried.

Discussion on finish mower to drag behind the tractor, it was decided not to go for it at this time.

Play Ground equipment, we need to find the time to get that going.

Matthew Genova expressed a wish to be present at the up and coming Court case regarding the Bishop House.

Gretchen Beito: Motion to accept the \$2000.00 donation towards the Oklee beautification fund by Brekke and seconded by Olson, motion carried.

To discuss employee's future retirement plans a special meeting was called for 20th July 2020 at 4.00 PM.

Motion to close the meeting by Cyr and seconded by Brekke, motion carried.

Mayor Burthwick

Derek Cross/City Clerk
 026C

City of Oklee Special Employee Council Meeting July 20th 2020, Oklee Café 4:00PM

Tougas retirement plans
 Roll Call: Mayor Burthwick, Genova, Cyr, Olson and Brekke also present Cross and Tougas.

Tougas announced he hopes to retire on the 31st October 2021.

No further action can be taken until we receive official notification from Tougas on his retirement date.

A general discussion on a replacement then took place, on things we can and can't do moving forward.

Tougas stated as someone new was trained in, he could be used to oversee the training and use his own licenses, and Tougas used as a consultant until a new drinking water and waste water operative is trained and licensed.

Audit: Motion to accept the Audit for 2019 by Olson and seconded by Cyr, motion carried.

Request that the bank statement be put in the packet each month by Olson, Cross said this is not a problem at all.

Mayor Burthwick

Derek Cross/City Clerk
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City of Oklee Notice

City of Oklee will be flushing the hydrants on September 23rd & 24th.

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CRYPTO FUN

Solve the code to discover words related to chickens. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 5 = E)

A. 17 7 2 17 13

Clue: Bird noise

B. 19 5 5 9 19

Clue: Small parts of a plant or flower

C. 17 10 10 4

Clue: Shelter for poultry

D. 5 1 1 19

Clue: Breakfast food

Answers: A. cluck B. seeds C. coop D. eggs

ATTENTION

RED LAKE COUNTY SMALL BUSINESS AND POTENTIAL STARTUP ENTERPRISES

The Red Lake County Economic Development Corporation can help you start your own business or expand an existing one. We are here to assist with a five (5) year loan for an amount up to \$20,000 at 2% APR. The business must be located in Red Lake County.

For more information, contact the Red Lake County Economic Development home office at 1-218-253-2897.

Or call Mike Spurgin, 218-465-4648; Allen Bertilrud, 218-684-1315; or Kelsey Gervais, 218-686-5114. 043-43C (2x/mo.)

Oklee Centennial Cookbook Recipe Corner - From page 380

Sour Cream Raisin Bars

Elise (Breivold) Longhenry

1-3/4 cups quick cooking oats
 1 cup brown sugar
 1 cup shortening
 1-3/4 cups flour
 1 tsp baking soda
 4 egg yolks, beaten
 2 cups sour cream
 3 Tbsp cornstarch
 1-1/2 cups sugar
 2 cups raisins

1/4 tsp cloves
 1/4 tsp nutmeg
 1/4 tsp cinnamon



Combine oats, brown sugar, shortening, flour and baking soda until crumbly. Reserve 1-1/2 cups for the topping. Press remaining mixture into a 9 x 13 pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 10 – 15 minutes. Meanwhile, combine beaten egg yolks, sour cream, corn starch, sugar and raisins; mix well. Blend in spices. Place yolk mixture into a saucepan. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly for 5 – 10 minutes or until thick. Pour over partially baked crust. Top with reserved crumb mixture. Bake for 20 minutes more. **Note: You may want to grind or chop the raisins.

Building An Emergency Fund

In today's up and down world, it's good to have money set aside for an emergency such as the loss of a job, unexpected car repairs, or unforeseen medical expenses.

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RLCC Menus

September 21 - 25

Oklee

Monday: Breakfast: Apple Turnover, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Quesadilla (sour cream, salsa), cottage cheese, fresh veggies, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: French toast w/syrup, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Spaghetti w/meat sauce, bread sticks, veggies, garlic toast, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** BBQ's on w/bun, potato salad, baked beans, chips, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Cheesy bread w/pizza sauce, lettuce salad, fresh veggies, cottage cheese, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hot subs, chips, fresh veggies, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Monday: Breakfast: Egg & sausage patty, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Meatballs, mashed potatoes, gravy, carrots, buttered bread, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Nutri Grain Bar, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** French toast, sausage patty, green beans, yogurt, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Banana bread, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Fish sticks, tarter sauce, smiley potatoes, beets, PB&J sandwich, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Long John, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Sub sandwich (lettuce, tomato, pickles), hash browns, veggie cup, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: French toast, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hot dog w/bun, chips, Dixie cup, fruit, and milk.

RLC Cross Country Team attends Thief River Falls Sports Boosters CC Invitational



By: Aurimy Olson and Molly Smith

Red Lake County Rebels Cross Country team had their first meet of the season on Thursday, September 3rd, 2020. The 2020 Thief River Falls Sports Boosters CC Invitational started with cold and cloudy skies.

Boys varsity team finished 6th place overall. Individual places were Mathew Renner 31st place, Brody Moen 34th

place, Azazel Chapman 37th place, also competing were Brock Tvedt, Caden Lee, Damon Ferguson and Peyton O'Neill. Boys Junior Varsity places were; Maverick Nelson 31st place and Everett Svendsen 32nd place. Boys competing in Junior High places were Nick Suchy and Brody Hammer.

Girls Varsity team finished 7th overall. Individual places were Marissa Schiebe 18th

place, Keira Morinville 20th place, Ella Moen 28th place, also competing were Emma Knott and Aurimy Olson. Girl's Junior High places were Elizabeth Lytle 7th place, Emma Hendrickson 18th place and

Daphney Harmoning 29th place.

The RLC Cross Country Teams are coached by Head Coach, Randy Huie and Assistant Coaches, Hannah Kent and Devan Lambert.



L to R: Student Senate President Karena Melby, Senior Senator Janae Olson, Senior Senator Adriel Bakken, Senior Senator Emily Kolstoe



RLCC Cross Country Varsity 2020 Schedule

Schedule subject to changes - please check the school web site at <https://www.rlcc2906.org/>

Thu, Sept. 17: 4:30 p.m. RLC Coop vs Ada-Borup at Ada-Borup.

Tue, Sept. 22: 9:00 a.m. RLC Coop vs. Bagley-Fosston at Bagley.

Thu, Oct. 1: 11:30 a.m. RLC Coop vs EGF Green Wave at EGF.

Mon, Oct. 5: 11:30 a.m. RLC Coop vs West Marshall at Warren-Alvarado-Oslo.

Fri, Oct. 9: TBD. RLC Coop vs Ada-Borup at Ada-Borup.

Fri, Oct. 16: TBD. RLC Coop vs Bagley-Fosston at Bagley.

Sat, Oct. 24: TBD. RLC Coop vs TBA at TBA.



RLCC Student Senate accepts responsibility of lowering flags at Oklee Area Veteran's Park on designated days



RLCC Student Senate members, under the guidance of Mr. Randy Huie, have taken on the responsibility of lowering the flags to half staff at the Oklee Area Veterans Memorial on designated days. September 11th is Patriot Day in the United States, and these RLCC Student Senate members lowered the American flag, the POW/MIA flag and Minnesota flag using the proper protocol.

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Oklee Herald Early Files

Eighty Years Ago September 12, 1940

School Enrollment sets new record – with an all-time enrollment of 241 pupils enrolled with several more expected. There are 119 in the elementary building and 122 in the high school.

A golden wedding anniversary celebration in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Melbo was held at the Lund Lutheran Church at Gully.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Plante Thursday, September 5th.

Some late flax and barley cutting is still in progress.

Gully and vicinity was subjected to one of the most severe electrical storms in several years. Friday evening, together with a torrential downpour of rain, lightning hit several places in town, burning out light meters.

Torkel Gunderson who has been digging a well, got water at a depth of 114 feet.

Seventy Years Ago September 14, 1950

A daughter was born Friday Sept. 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Shetterly of Lakeland, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Ingvald Olson of Oklee are the parents of a son born at the Fosston hospital on September 7th. The child will be called Norman James.

Jerome Dufault left yesterday for Fargo to enroll in the pharmacy course at North Dakota Agricultural College.

Mrs. Nordal Solheim, Jerry, Bobby and Sharron visited with Mrs. Selmer Anderson, Ordean and Joyce Sunday.

The Alvin Fore family attended the chicken dinner given in the Valle Church Sunday.

Sixty Years Ago September 15, 1960

Former Congresswoman Coya Knutson of Oklee, fighting back from her defeat of two years ago, confounded her rivals as wrestled the nomination from DFL endorsed candidate Roy Wiseth in the Primary Election on Tuesday.

About 200 guests attended a golden wedding observance in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Grimm at Immanuel Lutheran Church in McIntosh on August. 28th.

Mr. and Mrs. Gunder Olson were honor don their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house at their farm near Goodridge on August 28th.

Nine little faces appeared at the Brooks School Tuesday morning to begin 1st grade. Enrollment in the other grades are 2nd grade – 16; 3rd grade – 15; 4th grade – 11; 5th grade – 9; 6th grade – 12; 7th grade – 11; and 8th grade – 13.

School began in District 60 on Tuesday, with Mrs. Ted Lendobeja as the new teacher. There are 17 pupils enrolled with two first graders, Sherry Skallet and Diane Roisland. Alton Skallet will again be bus driver.

Fifty Years Ago September 17, 1970

A chilling – but not killing frost was recorded in Oklee by weatherman Otto Bakken. A low of 32 degrees occurred,

two degrees above the 28 figure which is regarded as a “killing” frost.

Wild rice – grown for the second year in the Oklee area is showing promise as a valuable new crop although it brings with it a radically new method of farming. Three men have rice this year. George Johnson, Darrow Lundeen and Ordean Sundrud.

Herb Christianson, owner of the Farmers’ Club has leased the establishment to Michael Melby. Mr. Melby will continue to work at Detroit Mobile Homes in RLF and Mrs. Melby, assisted by Mrs. Ed LaJambe, will operate the club during the day.

The Bobcats down Goodridge on Friday with a score of 22-0.

A bridal shower was held at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic church in Plummer in honor of Miss Anna Gallant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Gallant, bride to be of Ferd DeHate.

Arnold Willet, 15, suffered second degree burns on both arms Saturday in a fire that destroyed the barn on the farm of his father.

Forty Years Ago September 18, 1980

Bert Amundson, who has spent the past 3 years in Grygla as vice president of American State Bank, left there to assume the ownership of the Hartz Store in Plummer.

Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Konickson of Plummer was baptized at Immanuel Lutheran Church by Ref. Clifford Randall. He was named Justin Ray.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mathson are proud parents of a baby boy name Tanir Tristen. He is welcomed home by his brothers, Brandon and Broque and sister Tian.

Margaret Lambert of Oklee and Stuart Peterson of Thief River Falls exchanged marriage vows on June 21 at St. Francis Xavier in Oklee.

Thirty Years Ago September 19, 1990

A Red Lake County Emergency Test Drill was held on September 15th. The test was at a site one mile east of Plummer where the simulation of three cars crashed. There were 14 volunteer accident victims.

The children and grandchildren of Art and Frances Schiefert gathered on September 1st to honor their parents on their 50th wedding anniversary. A Polka Mass was held followed by a reception at the Plummer Hall.

The RLCC football team summer their first loss Friday night at the hands of Kelliher-Northome with the score of 22-14.

The Bobcats Varsity Volleyball first home game was very successful. The Bobcats came out on top after a five game struggle.

Twenty Years Ago September 14, 2000

29th annual Blast To Brooks was last Saturday and the rain didn't stop the fun or the parade.

Sarah and Amy Dake, daughters of Larry and Sherry

Dake, have no trouble keeping busy but it a way that is rather unusual for teenagers in this day and age. Sarah worked with wool spinning and dying the wool yarn for many projects. Amy makes polar fleece hats and would like to sell them at craft show and gift shops, but her future plans are to follow her dreams and be a sheep rancher.

Mrs. Myrtle Hamrum was a Wednesday overnight guest of her sister Hilda Kvale of Gully.

McIntosh Bakery celebrates fifty years of delicious pastries and is hosting a Customer Appreciation Day.

RLCC Mustang football team traveled to NCW Halstad, losing to the NCW Panthers 6-28.

Ten Years Ago August 25, 2010

The Blast To Brooks was a success once more. There were some really inventive Kiddie Parade costumes this year from cakes/cupcakes, bob the builder, and the great hunter.

57 people attended the Deer Park Picnic on Labor Day where Olan Stolaas was honored for his 45 years of service on the township board.

Keith and Paula Christianson of Oklee announced the birth of their son Brennen Arwin born on July 26th. He is welcomed home by his sister Kendra who is 3 years old.

The Huot Hustlers 4-H Club performed their Share the Fun skit, called “If I were a 4-H Member” at the State Fair. This skit was selected as one of the top two skits performed during their encampment.

There were two summer interns working for Richards Publishing this year. Rachel Roue from Oklee and Shelby Edevold from the Gully – Gonvick area. Rachel worked in Oklee and Shelby at the Leader-Record.

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Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteers Jo Lambert & Bonny Cote

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. If you can't make it during those times, 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.

There are plans to have another paper arts class the first week of October. It will be a Tuesday or Thursday, and will have more details next week. The craft will have a Halloween theme.

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. 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.

Dates To Remember Sept. 23: >???

Sept. 7: Labor Day.

Sept. 8: International Literacy Day.

Interesting Facts

Clarence Birdseye was an American industrialist who developed a way of deep-freezing foods. Birdseye's process consisted of rapid freezing of packaged food between two refrigerated metal plates. Though his were not the first frozen foods, Birdseye's freezing process was a highly efficient one that preserved the original taste of a variety of foods, including fish, fruits, and vegetables.

In 1853, James Gadsden signed an agreement with the Republic of Mexico to purchase the southern portion of Arizona and New Mexico for ten million dollars. The Gadsden Purchase was one of America's largest land purchases, joining the ranks of the Louisiana Territory, Alaska, and the Virgin Islands

***** Jokes *****

There was an elderly couple who in their old age noticed

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe

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Congratulations to Florence and Henry Tvedt who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary over Labor Day weekend.

On Sunday, at Maple Lake, there were about 80 boats and other water craft who rode in a parade around the lake, who were Trump supporters. Later there were fireworks.

Alice Jobe visited Arlene Zimpel on Saturday morning.

Box Traxler and Hayley came home for a visit over the weekend. Brodie and Brielle were happy to see their dad and did some fun things together.

Tri River Pioneer met Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. at the Museum. They discussed getting new LED lights for the museum. Also Jolene Qualley agreed to take over the secretary position that Ray Vigstol has had for quite long time. They also talked about

digging holes for the poles for the addition.

On Sunday evening, Anna DeHate, Anne Traxler and Alice Jobe went to Carol's Cozy for supper.

There was frost here Tuesday and Wednesday morning but the weather will be better in a few days.

The kids are back at school. I hope it goes okay. It is rather risky. But, if they are taking precautions, maybe things will turn out okay.

On Saturday, I watched Tour de France. It is in the Great Pyrenees mountains in western France. There were only 3 Americans in it. It is very challenging. It is beautiful country.

I saw on TV that a woman flew 2,000 miles so her Dad could meet her 10 month old daughter for the first

time. He cried. She is his first grand child. They showed the meeting.

The 46th Kentucky Derby was on Saturday. It was in the low 80's in Lexington. To begin the Derby, "My Old Kentucky Home" played by the bugle, and started the race with the bugle call. "Tis the Law" was the favorite bet. But he got back a bit in the beginning and just couldn't get in the lead. "Authentic" finished 1st. "Tis the Law" came in second, much to the disappointment of the jockey and the horse owner. There were no spectators or hats this year.

People were busy getting in the last of their garden stuff before the frost. Some canning and some freezing, always a busy time for the ladies and some men.

Have a good week. Stay Safe!

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

Well, we had a frost on Wednesday and the corn across the road from my house showed right away that it froze enough to kill growth, it turned yellow within the next day. The rest of the week though it was cool, was nice.

The Blast to Brooks started out as a misty morning and

sunny in the afternoon and nice for people to gather. The parade was well attended. Most people were out to get out of their homes for a change. It was a chance to see people again. Good job Brooks for all the work put into the celebration. Thank you all for your planning and preparation for this good time. Tim and Brenda Gagner of Fergus Falls, were in the area visiting with Leroy and Joyce Christianson of Red Lake Falls for the weekend. On their way back to Fergus Falls, they stopped at Clarence and Dianne Gagner's home for a visit on Sunday afternoon.

The parade in Brooks was led by the Co-Grand Marshalls Dawn and Dave Kreitzer. They spent many hours keeping Brooks looking good all year.

The flowers around town were planted by Dawn and they keep our town looking neat and tidy. Keep up the good work, it makes us proud of our town.

The movie "Fatima" will be playing at the Sky Vu outdoor movie in Warren on September 21 and 22. This is the newest version of Fatima, just finished for showing this year.

Russell Gagner of Hugo died this past week. He is the son of Martha and Art Gagner former residents of Brooks and Terrebonne. Russel grew up here. Keep the family in your prayers. Our sympathy go out to the family.

We hope that you find the next week as a great one and that you stay safe and happy. Smile once in a while.

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Who's Dat?

This weeks photo is of of a young girl that grew up in the Oklee area with her calf.

Last week's photo was of Senior Class Play cast from 1972: Anita Berget, Jan Roisland, Val Morinville, Loren Hegge, Robin Sletto, and Leslie O'Neill.

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.

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