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ATTENTION ~ All residents of RED LAKE COUNTY!

Yes, you're reading this correctly – this is for all residents of Red Lake County! Come one – come all on Saturday, October 24, 2020, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. when FREE food boxes will be distributed to ANY HOUSEHOLD with a Red Lake County address that would want them. This distribution will take place outside of Bethany Lutheran Church in Red Lake Falls on a first-come first-serve basis.

There will be 450 boxes available. Each 28 lb. box will contain a variety of protein, dairy, and produce. Milk will also be available to those that

would like some.

Individuals who would like to pick up food boxes for neighbors or someone who is home-bound are encouraged to do so. Also if businesses have an employee that could pick up food boxes for others working, just let the volunteers know how many people and the number of food boxes you need.

EVERY HOUSEHOLD with a Red Lake County address is encouraged to pick up food boxes. Just drive by and volunteers will be there to place the food box(es) you request into your trunk. You won't need to get out of your car.

Essentia Health offering flu vaccine

Essentia Health is offering flu shots to the community in a variety of ways during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"This year might be the most important year for a flu shot ever," explains Dr. Aaron Philipps, an infectious disease specialist at Essentia Health. "Cold weather pushes us indoors and the close quarters allow for easier person-to-person transmission of respiratory viruses such as influenza and COVID-19. An outbreak of illness can over fill and overtax our hospitals. We have a vaccine against the flu that can help keep our cases down and keep our hospital beds available when they are needed."

Dr. Philipps also says, "the vaccine reduces your chances of getting the flu and if you don't have the flu, you have no risk of transmission to others that may not have the ability to fight off a serious infection."

The flu vaccine is recommended for people six months and older, including people with compromised immune systems and chronic medical conditions.

Flu vaccinations are covered by Medicare, Medicaid and most private insurances.

Due to COVID-19 precautions this year, getting your flu shot will look a little bit different. Here are some options for you:

Flu Clinic
Embassy Community Center
- 603 3rd St NE, Fosston
October 7-9 | October 13-16
| October 20-22
2:00 to 5:00 p.m.
Call 218-435-1212 to schedule your flu shot appointment.

Upcoming Clinic Appointment

You can request a flu shot at any upcoming clinic visit.

Please note, appointments are necessary to ensure proper social distancing can be enforced. Thank you for your cooperation.

For general information about the upcoming influenza season, you can visit the CDC's resources online at [cdc.gov/flu](https://www.cdc.gov/flu). You can learn about all the flu shot opportunities by visiting [EssentiaHealth.org/flu](https://www.EssentiaHealth.org/flu).



On Microphones, Tyler Eskeli and Peyton Fish.



On Tricaster, Remi Rathack and Ciara Mitzner.

Red Lake County Central Channel 35 Enters Fourth Year of Production

By Jeremiah Baker and Afton Benoit - Stampede

Channel 35 has started the year ready to broadcast sporting and school events. COVID doesn't do anything to reduce productivity or stop production/hinder any day-to-day activities. They have been inspired to post more "C" and "Junior Varsity" games. The Media Club is limited to four students per game. Two students run the Tricaster, and two students commentate on the game. Members of the club rotate between the C game, Junior Varsity game, and the Varsity game.

Remi Rathack and Steven Sogla have been members of the Media crew the longest. Remi started running a camera and the Tricaster when he

was in seventh grade. Steven Sogla joined the camera and sound team not long after. Jed Duden started announcing with Channel 35 with Phillip Sorenson two years ago and came back to commentate with Tyler Eskeli and new announcer Peyton Fish. Last year Michael Lowell, Zach Cater, Hannah Bassage, Orin Hofstad, Everett Svendsen, and Thomas Benson contributed behind the scenes.

Last year, the Media crew opened up to 7th graders new members, including Guy Bergeson, Gavin Thomas, Hunter Dudycha, and Landon Klaseen on commentary. Learning about the

camera and sound systems included Ciara Mitzner, Hannah Dudycha, Dan May, Kane Nelson, and Quinn Graves from the veteran members. This year, these members and new member Evelyn Klamm will be broadcasting Junior High, C games Junior Varsity, and some Varsity games.

The Media Club records most school events and several sports activities. They are looking to expand announcing games, playing commercials, doing interviews, and editing games. The media club has plans to expand to football games and create a weekly program showcasing students, staff, and commu-

nity members. They plan on increasing membership to seventh graders this winter during basketball and wrestling season.

For the most part, if nothing goes wrong, which it does, the media club is a fun and engaging activity that can open up many opportunities for its members. Most of the club is good at communicating and working together under pressure. Sometimes very intense pressure when the Tricaster freezes or the internet shuts down.

The advisor for the Channel 35 Media Club is Mrs. Bobbi Aakhus.

Red Lake County Central Homecoming 2020 Information

By Aurimy Olson

This year's Homecoming for RLCC High School is October 12th-14th.

Homecoming Coronation to take place on Monday, October 12, at 8:45 in the gym, with limited spectators allowed and broadcasted on GVTV 35.

The Powderpuff Football Game with Senior Girls against Junior Girls will take place at 12:30 Monday afternoon at the football field. The Annual Peach Fuzz Volleyball game with the Senior Boys against the Junior Boys will follow in the gym.

The annual Homecoming Pepfest will take place in the

gym at 2:30 on Tuesday. Spirit games will be held outside behind the school at 1:00 on Wednesday.

The Red Lake County Cross Country will be competing at their Sectional meets with the Boy's team competing on Tuesday and Girl's team competing on Wednesday in Bagley. Mustang Volleyball has two home games the week of homecoming.

On Monday, the Mustangs take on the Fertile/Beltrami Falcons. The "C" game starts at

5:00, Junior Varsity at 6:00, and Varsity to follow. On Tuesday night, the RLCC Mustangs take on the Win-E-Mac Patriots. The "C" game starts at 5:00, Junior Varsity at 6:00, and Varsity to follow. Both game nights will be aired on GVTV Channel 35 with the RLCC Media Club hosting.

The homecoming football game this year is in Plummer on Wednesday evening against Polk County West with the Varsity starting at 7:00.



Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial Update

John Lerohl, Oklee, recently installed 4 granite blocks at the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial. Three of the blocks placed were donated by the John Lerohl family in recognition of the military service of John Lerohl, his father Edgar Lerohl, and his father in law, Albert Wells. The additional block placed at the Veterans' Memorial was purchased by the employees

of Inter County Community Council in memory of Roy Jorgenson, longtime director of ICC in Oklee.

Donations to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial may be sent to Security State Bank, Box 69, Oklee, MN 56742, attn: Lori Melby. Questions should be directed to Mary Lynn Bachand at marylbachand@gmail.com

Covid number rising in Pennington ...

Daily Inter-County Nursing Service Covid-19 updates:

October 12th:

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

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

October 11th:

There are three new laboratory confirmed cases in Pennington County, the individuals are in their 30's and 60's, recovering at home.

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

October 10th:

There is one new laboratory confirmed case in Pennington County, the individual is in their 30's. One previously reported case has been re-assigned to another county.

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

October 9th:

There is one new laboratory confirmed case in Pennington County, the individual is in their teens.

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

October 8th:

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

ry confirmed case in Red Lake County, the individual is in their 30's, recovering at home.

October 7th:

There is one new laboratory confirmed case in Pennington County, the individual is in their 60's, recovering at home. Two previously reported cases have been hospitalized.

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

October 6th:

There is one new laboratory confirmed case in Pennington County, the individual is in their teens.

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

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>**

Question: Just a curious question that a few of us were chatting about: if a County had 2 new cases yesterday, and 3 new cases today, how can there only be 3 "active" cases in isolation?"

Answer: Inter-County Nursing Service

We track all active cases and their isolation dates. There are times that someone's isolation period is completed close to the time of reporting because it is based on when symptoms started.



Statistics (10-12-20):

- 113,439 Positive Tests
- 2,337,122 Complete Tests
- 1,589,752 People tested
- 101,376 Patients Who No Longer Need Isolation
- 2,144 Total Deaths
- 8,421 Total Hospitalized
- As of this printing - Total Confirmed Cases in surrounding Counties:
 - Pennington County: 146
 - 112 recovered cases
 - 8 active case
 - 7 hospitalization
 - 1 death
 - Red Lake County: 47
 - 39 recovered cases
 - 5 active case
 - 5 hospitalization
 - 1 death
 - Marshall County: 70
 - Clearwater County: 52
 - Beltrami County: 647
 - Polk County: 376
 - (as of 10-8-2020)
 - 317 recovered
 - 4 deaths



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

Calendar of Events

Wed, Oct. 14:

-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.

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

Thu, Oct. 15:

-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.

Fri, Oct. 16:

-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.

-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.

Sat, Oct. 17:

-Support your local business – Shop Locally!

Sun, Oct. 18:

-Worship at the church – check inside for church times and places.

Mon, Oct. 18:

-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.

Tue, Oct. 20:

-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.

Wed, Oct. 21:

-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.

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

Thu, Oct. 22:

-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.

Fri, Oct. 23:

-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH

Zion and Salem
Pastor Linda Molitor
Wed, Oct. 14: 4:00 p.m. 1st Communion at Zion. 7:00 p.m. Confirmation at Zion.
Thu, Oct. 15: 4:00 p.m. Bible Study at Zion.
Sun, Oct. 18: 9:00 a.m. Zion, 9:00 a.m. SS at Salem. 10:00 a.m. SS at Zion. 10:30 a.m. Salem.
Tue, Oct. 20: 7:00 p.m. Mutual Ministry meeting.
Wed, Oct. 21: 4:00 p.m. 1st Communion at Zion. 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 Hamness
Sunday: 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, Oct. 18: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Immanuel. 7:00 p.m. Worship at Ebenezer.

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. 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.

**** 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 pickup is needed, and Appointment time will be helpful.

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.

For Polk, Red Lake and Clearwater county stops:
 Every Monday – Grand Forks.

Every 2nd Tuesday – Mahanomen.

Every 4th Tuesday – Thief River Falls

Every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesday – Fargo/Moorhead.

Every 2nd & 4th Friday – Bemidji.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH

Mt. Olive – Nazareth Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed, Oct 14. 30: 5 p.m. Wednesday School.

Sat, Oct. 17: Mt Olive: 9:00 a.m.

Sun, Oct. 18: 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, Oct. 21: 5 p.m. Wednesday School. 7:00 p.m. OP Ladies Aid.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH

Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Oct. 14: 6:25 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

Sun, Oct. 18: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School.

Wed, Oct. 21: 6:25 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH

Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, Oct. 18: 9:00 a.m. Lund, 10:30 a.m. Bethany.
CDC safety guidelines for COVID-19 will be followed.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH

Bethany-Ekelund-Faith
Pastor Kristen Ostercamp
Wed, Oct. 14: 6:30 p.m. Faith. 7:30 p.m. 7th Grade confirmation.

Sun, Oct. 18: 8:30 a.m. Bethany. 9:30 a.m. Facebook Live.

Wed, Oct. 21: 6:30 p.m. Ekelund. 7:30 p.m. 8th Grade confirmation

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Red Lake County Commissioners Minutes

RED LAKE COUNTY Regular Meeting Held September 8, 2020

Pursuant to adjournment of its last meeting the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners held its regular board meeting on September 8, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Chairman Remick called the meeting to order. All Commissioners were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

County Highway Engineer Erik Hove was present to provide an overview of the 2018 annual Highway Department Report. He noted that higher than expected operating costs due to the heavy snowfall events have depleted some reserve funding. Hove also reviewed the proposed 2021-year budget for the Highway Department. Hove is requesting a tax levy increase of \$33,200.00 from 2020 (\$662,500. to \$695,000.) in the proposed budget. Chair Remick commented that the board would take it under advisement when working on budget for the next year.

Hove reported that CSAH #14 is finished and the Schirrick Bridge on CASH #13 is basically completed and open for traffic. Some small items remain to be finalized.

Hove informed that the Pressure Washer is broken and needs major repairs. The quotes presented are \$6300.00 from Acme and \$6,900.00 from Brenco Corp. Commissioner Dudycha moved, seconded by Weiss and carried unanimously to approve the low quote from Acme. A replacement sander was discussed for the Oklee Plow Truck as its severely rusted. Hove procured a quote from Bert's Truck Equipment for \$5,833.00 for a stainless-steel unit. Commissioner Flage moved, seconded by Simpson and carried unanimously to approve the quote for purchase as presented.

Commissioner Flage moved and seconded by Dudycha to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held on August 25, 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Vendor	Amount
MN Department of Transportation	\$ 5,658.63
Moore Engineering, Inc.	20,064.40
Northern Garage Door, LLC	11,003.85
Truenorth Steel, Inc.	8,749.43
Tyler Technologies, Inc.	3,785.26
WSB & Associates, Inc.	7,316.98
35 Vendor less than \$2000.	11,040.76
Final Total	\$67,619.31

BINGO NIGHT

hosted by
Zion Lutheran Church

Sunday, October 25
Oklee Hall
5:30 p.m.

Cards are 2 for .25¢

Masks required,
 all are welcome.

Sudoku Solution

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

The motion included the following additional bills: \$4,210.00 to Counties Providing Tech.; \$720.00 to Heppner Consulting; \$93.02 to Sanitary Service; \$41.40 expenses and \$250.00 per diem to Chuck Flage; \$6.90 expenses and \$125.00 per diem to Ron Weiss.

The following Commissioner/Committee reports were shared:
Commissioner Meeting/Report
 Simpson: -Highway Roads Committee.

Dudycha: -NW Regional Development.

Weiss: -Highway Roads Committee; NW Regional Development, and Personnel meeting.

Flage: -None.

Remick: -P e r s o n n e l meeting.

Environmental Officer Kurt Casavan met with the board to update on the ISTS Grant Program. Funding for the fiscal year 2021 program should be available by mid-October. Casavan also reported on legal drainage system issues.

The County Board discussed re-opening plans for the county facilities. Currently county offices are open by appointment only. Sheriff and EMS Director Mitch Bernstein recommended re-opening as the county has not had any recent COVID cases. Commissioner Simpson moved, seconded by Flage and carried by unanimous vote to re-open county facilities to the public immediately.

Cam Fanfulk of the NW Regional Development was in attendance by speaker phone to provide more information on the CARES Grant program for the county. Fanfulk again mentioned that the RDC will manage and complete reporting requirements for the county at no charge. Several more ideas on uses for the grant dollars were mentioned. Fanfulk informed that he will prepare a notice for the local newspapers and county web-site and complete the business application prior to the next board meeting.

Auditor Schmitz reviewed a list of properties that did not sell at the August 7, 2020 tax forfeited property auction and recommended that the County Board lower the appraised values and readvertise for another sale with a date yet to be determined. Commissioner Dudycha moved, seconded by Flage and carried by unanimous vote to lower the appraised values on the following three (3) tax forfeited properties: \$2,500.00 Parcel 07-1438-000 in Lambert Township; \$4,000.00 Parcel 17-3076-000 in City of Red Lake Falls; \$500.00 Parcel 17-2984-000 in City of Red Lake Falls.

There being no further business the regular board meeting was adjourned to September 22, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

Attest:
 Robert Schmitz, County Auditor

Allen Remick, Chair,
 Board of Commissioners 030C



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The Pork Industry is alive and well with over 60,000 Pork Operations employing 550,000 men and women. The U.S. is the leading exporter of Pork Products in the world.

New Technology has allowed producer to offer the safest and most nutritious Pork Products to keep you and your family healthy. October is Pork Month. We thank our local Pork Producers for their hard work and a job well done.

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

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Get tested if you have any symptoms.

Answer if your health department calls.

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RLCC Menus

October 19 - 23

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Monday: Breakfast: Apple Fritter, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken fajita, Spanish rice, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Muffin, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Pizza hotdish, garlic toast, vegetable, string cheese, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Bagels w/cream cheese, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hamburger patty, curly fries, vegetable, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Pancake on a stick w/syrup, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken strips, rice pilaf, vegetables, W/G crackers, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Subs (cold), chips, carrots & celery, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Monday: Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, ham, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Corndogs, macaroni & cheese, broccoli, cauliflower, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Pancakes, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hamburger on bun, cheese slice, curly fries, celery sticks, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken fajita, cheese, lettuce, tomato, salsa, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Muffin, yogurt, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Shredded pork on bun, baked beans, baby carrots, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Pizza Pocket (stick), California blend, red peppers, fruit, and milk.

Volleyball 2020 With COVID

By: Molly Smith

This week, the Minnesota Department of Health and Minnesota Department of Education announced that parents would be allowed to attend high school volleyball games. Each player is allowed two guests per game. Each game allows parents to watch their student's game and must leave between games allowing the next group of parents to watch their student. Even though the players are happy that they can have their parents come and watch, they will miss having their classmates and community members at the games.

The games can be viewed on Garden Valley's production of Red Lake County Central's Channel 35. The service is offered by being subscribers to GVTv or by subscribing for a small fee to an app found on their website. The first home game was October 9th at Oklee.

The RLCC Varsity Mustangs won three matches over the Kelliher/Northhome Mustangs' one match. RLCC Junior Varsity Mustangs won two matches over one match for the visiting Kelliher/Northhome Junior Varsity team.

During Homecoming Week, they play on October 12th against the Fertile/Beltrami Falcons and Wednesday October 13th against the Win-E-Mac Patriots.

The Red Lake County Central Mustang Varsity and Junior Varsity teams are coached by Head Coach Angie Lundeen and Assistant Coach Rhonda Vettleson.

The Restart of High School Football

By: Zach Howard

The Red Lake County Central Rebels have had a confusing start to their season. It started with the MSHSL postponing the season until Spring, which in Minnesota is hard to do. The MSHSL then returned the start of football on October 9th. The Red Lake County Central team was supposed to play the Cass Lake/Bena Panthers, but unfortunately, the Panthers had to cancel that game due to being in Distance Learning until October 14.

The Red Lake County Central Rebels have a six-game season. Rebels will start their season on October 14th against the Polk County West Thunder, a significant Section 8a opponent in Plummer MN. The Rebels then have two games the following week, Tuesday, the 20th in Pine River, and the next match in Lake Park on Saturday the 24th. On October 30th, the RLC Rebels will travel to Mahanomen to play the Mahanomen/Waubun Thunderbirds. The RLC Rebels then play their next home game on November 6th against Ada/Borup-Norman County West in Red Lake Falls. The RLC Rebels will then host Pine River/Backus Tigers on November 11th as the last regular scheduled game in Oklee MN.

The RLC Rebels fan base has restrictions for the 2020 season as all sports for the 2020-2021 seasons. The football players each receive three tickets before the community can buy tickets. The players' tickets that don't sell then get split between Red Lake Falls and Red Lake County Central for the community to purchase. The tickets cost \$5 per ticket; these go on sale the day before the game at 9 A.M. and go on till 9 A.M. gameday. The fan base can only have 250 people combined with the home team and opponents to attend these games.

Thunderbirds split with Rebels

The Red Lake County Rebels junior high teams would take on the Mahanomen-Waubun Thunderbirds on Thursday, October 8th.

M-W would strike first, taking a 6-0 lead. RLC would fight with the T-Birds the entire half and finally broke through on a long Connor Duden run to tie the game at 6 going into halftime.

The Rebel defense would play tough in the second half, forces punts and turnovers. RLC would once again break through in the 4th and hang on to a 12-6 win. The 7th grade improves to 2-0 on the season. The 8th grade game was



From left to right: Kia Bachand, Bailey Sherman, Jamie Flatgaard, Shawna Majeres, Katie Suchy, and Cari Bachand.



Parents or special guests of Junior Varsity team socially enjoying the opportunity to watch the game.

a big hitting game for both teams. The T-Birds used a ground and pound game to move the ball and would take a 8-0 lead. The Rebels set up a touchdown by Brock Seeger on a long Owen Chervestad to Jacob Harmoning pass. A Chervestad PAT would tie the

game at 8-8 but a late score would give M-A a 16-8 lead at half.

RLC would manage a few drives into T-Bird territory in the 2nd half but M-W was too tough and took the contest 24-14. RLC 8th grade falls to 1-1.

October 2020 Health Points

Halloween Safety Tips

A costume mask (such as for Halloween) is not a substitute for a cloth mask. A costume mask should not be used unless it is made of two or more layers of breathable fabric that covers the mouth and nose and doesn't leave gaps around the face.

Do not wear a costume mask over a protective cloth mask because it can be dangerous if the costume mask makes it hard to breathe. Instead, consider using a Halloween-themed cloth mask.

Moderate Risk Activities

Always Wear your Mask, 6' Distance, or more if screaming. Participating in one-way trick-or-treating: individually wrapped goodie bags lined up for families to grab and go.

Having a small group, outdoor, open-air costume parade. Attending a costume party held outdoors.

Going to an open-air, one-way, walk-through haunted forest.

Visiting pumpkin patches or orchards, use hand sanitizer before touching pumpkins or picking apples.

Having an outdoor Halloween movie night with local family friends.

Higher Risk Activities

Traditional trick-or-treating where treats are handed to children who go door to door. Having trunk-or-treat where treats are handed out from trunks of cars in large parking lots.

Attending crowded costume parties held indoors.

Going to an indoor haunted house where people may be crowded together and screaming. Going on hayrides or tractor rides with people who are not in your household.

Using alcohol or drugs, which can cloud judgement and increase risky behaviors. <https://www.cdc.gov/corona->

[virus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html#halloween](https://www.cdc.gov/corona-virus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html#halloween)

Flu Vaccine 2020-2021 Recommendations

Each influenza season, millions of Americans are affected by influenza, at times severely. In the United States during the 2016-2017 through 2018-2019 seasons, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that influenza caused 29-45 million illnesses, 14-21 million medical visits, 490,000-810,000 hospitalizations, and 34,000-61,000 deaths each season. Annual influenza vaccination is the best defense. This fall, with COVID-19 expected to co-circulate alongside influenza, getting an influenza vaccine will be more important than ever.

Who Should Get an Influenza Vaccination?

CDC and the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) continue to recommend annual influenza vaccination for everyone 6 months of age or older who does not have contraindications. Any licensed influenza vaccine appropriate for age and health status can be used.

Vaccination is especially important for young children, older adults, pregnant women, and people of all ages with a chronic medical condition.

CDC and ACIP recommend that vaccination be offered by the end of October.

Children aged 6 months through 8 years who need two doses should receive their first dose as soon as possible after the vaccine becomes available to allow the second dose (which must be administered at least 4 weeks later) to be received by the end of October.

From: Flu Vaccine 2020-2021 Recommendations - Medscape - Oct 02, 2020.



Junior Varsity Players watching Varsity Game; left to right: Bryn Vettleson, Kiera Morinville, Sydney Fourgnier, Jennifer Johnson, Ella Moen, Molly Smith, and Aurimyo Olson.

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2906
RED LAKE COUNTY CENTRAL
STATE OF MINNESOTA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the general election has been called and will be held in and for Independent School District No. 2906 Red Lake County Central, State of Minnesota, on Tuesday, the 3rd of November, 2020 for the purpose of electing three school board members for four year terms. The ballot shall provide as follows:

SAMPLE

NOVEMBER 3rd, 2020

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:

To vote, completely fill in the oval(s) next to your choice(s) like this:

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER FOUR YEAR TERM

Vote for up to three

☐ Jody Duden

☐ Chelsey Vettleson

☐ Lowell Hamrum

Write-in (if any)

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The combined polling places for this election and the precincts served by those polling places will be as follows:

Description of Voting Precincts	Description of Polling Places
City of Brooks	Brooks Community Center (7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.)
Lambert Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
City of Otter	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Hickory Township	Brooks Community Center (7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.)
Deer Park Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Mayfield Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Highland Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Wyandott Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Gervais Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Emeryville Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
River Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
City of Planner	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Equality Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Garnes Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Chester Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Gully Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Johanson Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office

Any Eligible voter residing in the School District may vote at said election at the polling place designated above for the precinct in which he or she resides. The polls for said election will be opened at 10:00 o'clock a.m. and will close at 8:00 o'clock p.m. on the date of said election. (Unless otherwise noted)

A voter must be registered to vote to be eligible to vote in this election. An unregistered individual may register to vote at the polling place on election day.

Dated this 9th day of October, 2020

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

Debra J. Duden
School District Election Clerk
Independent School District No. 2906

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Red Lake Falls Library

New adult nonfiction coming soon to the region includes "Slanted" by Sharyl Attkisson. A book summary from Baker & Taylor says New York Times bestselling author Sharyl Attkisson takes on the media's misreporting on many current events. "When the facts don't fit their narrative, the media abandons the facts, not the narrative. Virtually every piece of information you get through the media has been manipulated before it reaches you, some censored entirely. The news can no longer be counted on to reflect all the facts. For the past four years, 5-time Emmy Award winning investigative journalist Attkisson has been tracing the shocking devolution of what used to be the most respected news organizations

on the planet. Top news executives and reporters representing every major national television news outlet speak frankly, confiding in Attkisson about the death of the news as they once knew it and how a broad campaign in the media has convinced many Americans not only to accept but to demand censorship over journalism; those seeking to influence public opinion undermine public confidence in the news, then insist upon curating information and divining the truth. The thinking is done for you. They'll decide which pesky facts shouldn't cross your desk by declaring them false, irrelevant, debunked, unsafe. Journalism schools teach students that their own, personal truth or chosen narratives matter more than reality. In "Slanted," Attkisson digs into the language of propagandists, the persistence of false media narratives, the driving forces behind today's dangerous blend of facts and opinion, the abandonment of journalism ethics, and the new definition of what it means to report the news."



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

RLCC Cross

Country Varsity 2020 Schedule

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

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

Red Lake County Rebel Football 2020 Schedule

Wed, Oct 14: Homecoming - 7:00PM RLC vs. Sacred Heart at Plummer High School

Fri, Oct 23: 7:00PM RLC vs. Lake Park Audubon at Lake Park-Audubon High School

Fri, Oct 30: 7:00PM RLCp vs. Mahanomen/Waubun at Mahanomen High School

Fri, Nov 6: 6:00PM RLC vs. Ada Borup at L.E. Drechsel Field (Red Lake Falls)

Wed, Nov 11: 4:00PM RLC vs. Pine River - Backus at Oklee School

RLCC Girls

Volleyball

Mon, Oct 19: 5:00PM Away vs. Blackduck Public @ Blackduck High School

Thu, Oct 22: 5:00PM East Grand Forks Green Wave @ Plummer School

Tue, Oct 27: 5:00PM Away vs. Sacred Heart High School @ Sacred Heart High School

Thu, Oct 29: 5:00PM Crookston @ Plummer School

Mon, Nov. 2: 5:00PM Red Lake Falls @ Plummer School

Thu, Nov. 5: 5:00PM Warren/Alvarado/Oslo @ Plummer School

Wednesday, October 14, 2020

Oklee Herald Early Files

Eighty Years Ago October 10, 1940

Miss Lorraine Lunden of River Valley and Lloyd Watne of Goodridge were married at Oak Park Church on Sunday.

Garvin Solberg and Miss Irene Swanson, both young people of town of Mayfield, were married in Zion Lutheran Church with Rev Lerohl officiating.

Leo Falardeau, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Falardeau of Oklee and Miss Esther Youngquist of Biwabik, were married at the Catholic parsonage in Biwabik on September 28th. They are making their home at Coleraine where they operate a café.

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Strande, who have occupied a farm north of Gully for many years, have moved into Gully.

Seventy Years Ago October 12, 1950

Pfc. Lyle Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Nelson of Oklee is the second serviceman from this community to be wounded in the Korean War. Actually, he was wounded three days before Pfc. Stephen Lambert, but would did not reach here until early this week.

Miss Henriette Paradis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Paradis of Terrebonne, became the bride of Onezime Champagne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Amedie Champagne of Brooks.

Orlen Stolaas, Merle Lundeen and Lyle Mandt spent the weekend at their homes here, going back to the AC at Crookston Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hanson has their infant son baptized at the morning services in the Oak Park Church. He was given the name of Roger Allen.

Sixty Years Ago October 13, 1960

An old Oklee landmark may soon disappear from the local skyline. It is the former Math Barzen Elevator which has for several years been the property of the Oklee Farmers Cooperative Elevator Association. The Association was advertising for bids for the building to be removed.

Two fire runs this week – At the Ray Lessard farm Wednesday evening a barn burned to the ground in a fire blamed to an electrical short circuit caused by high winds whipping the lead-in wires. And at the Leonard Johnson farm about noon on Saturday, 700 bales of hay were destroyed in a fire which threatened other building particularly the barn.

An estimated 700 people attended a “Home Towners for Coya” rally here Wednesday night last week at which the

former Congresswoman, Coya Knutson, was honored. She is seeking re-election to congress.

The Oak Park School carnival will be held on October 17th and a crowning of a King & Queen will happen after a program.

Fifty Years Ago October 15, 1970

A small blizzard lashed out at this area Friday night, dropping 14 inches of snow and snarling up traffic for several hours.

Emile Nadeau, one of the original incorporators of Oklee Manufacturing co. in 1966 and second largest stockholder, has sold his interests to Terrance Magnuson, Mrs. Dorothy Spong, Oklee Investment Company and Brooks Sales Company were involved in the cash transaction.

The Oklee Bobcats were deprived of any chance for conference honors when they were defeated by Gonvick 8-6 in four inches of snow on Friday.

From The Plummer School News...The students that are in band had the opportunity to hear the Air Force Band at Bemidji on Monday evening, October 5th.

Ordean Flateland left Sunday for St. Paul where he will attend a managerial school for service stations for three weeks. Mr. Flateland is employed at the Farmer's Union Oil Co. at Gully.

Forty Years Ago October 16, 1980

The second annual Oklee community Halloween party is going ahead at full speed. There will costume contest with cutest, scariest and most original in each age group. Also prizes for oldest person and youngest person in costume.

The City of Oklee Council has appointed Leo Olson as the new Liquor Store manager starting a six-month probation period on November 1st, replacing Dan Stawarski, who has resigned.

The Oklee Volleyball team won the championship at the Plummer Invitational tournament held last Saturday.

K.B. Knutson and Arlie Brekke talked to the grade school music classes about the fiddle and “old time music”. They played for the classes and the children enjoyed the lesson.

Oklee took their first loss of the season as they were defeated by the Mac Scots Tuesday evening.

Thirty Years Ago October 17, 1990

The 19190 Oklee Mustang Homecoming Kings and their Queen were Jona Bernier, Benji Hofstad and Tiffany Whalen.

There are meetings sched-

uled for Hazardous Waste informational meetings to be held in Red Lake Falls, Oklee, Plummer, and Brooks.

The first graders of Oklee School were among the first to have a first-hand demonstration of the new fire truck – it was given in connection of Fire Safety Week.

Xavier Robidoux came in the office of the Oklee Herald and showed off two onions from his garden. Together, they weighed 5 lbs. They just didn't want to quit growing.

The Bake and Fancywork Sale held at Nazareth on Wednesday was well attended.

Twenty Years Ago October 12, 2000

The Plummer Mustang Royalty Court was: King Isaac Jacobson & Queen Sheena Greewald. 1st grade Attendants: Nathan Lee & Marisha Pahlen; Seniors: Tiffany Holmes, Stephanie Berberich, Todd Willett & Scott McMullen; Juniors: Kelsey Rewertz & Kyle Walter. Sophomores: Wade Longtin & Brettany Berberich.

John (Jack) Brandt with a large smile in the photo, formerly of Oklee caught a prized 51 inch Northern Pike in Lake Athabasca, Saskatchewan, Canada in July.

New light poles were installed in the Oklee business area this past week. The final project by Red Lake County with the exception of the final coating of the street which will take place next year.

September 17th marked a special day for 34 years veteran of Minnesota's Army National Guard from NW Minnesota. Retired Command Sergeant Major Clarence R. Gagner was officially inducted into the Minnesota “Court of Honor” for the Guard.

Ten Years Ago October 13, 2010

Burman Century Farm was established in 1907 when Carl Oscar Burman and his wife Marie Louise (Laffbaun) Burman immigrated to the U.S. with their infant son Axel Burman in 1889. The family celebrated the acknowledgement of the Century farm on July 3, 2010.

New library in Brooks is now open at the Community Hall for all to use. The library is based on the honor system.

The RLCC ECFE Plummer Site took a field trip to the McIntosh Pumpkin Patch on Friday. They got to pick out a pumpkin to take home and had lots of fun.

The RLCC 3010 Homecoming Court gals were: Trishia Braaten, Haylie Malwitz, Queen Lisa Bergeson, Ashley Bierman, and Lael Erickson. The gents were Conway Hamm, Kevin Longtin, King Skyler Bergeson, James Wright and Cody Tronvedt.

The Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears took on the Red Lake County Central Mustangs Volleyball team in Oklee on October 5th and the Mustangs defeated the bears 3-0 with scores of 25-13, 25-13, and 25-21.

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat?

This weeks photo is of a gal that was raised in Oklee and is still a familiar face around town.

Last week's photo was of two janitors at Oklee Public School. They are Mr. Walker and Mr. Nelson.

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.

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

RSVP Handyman Program is available to help seniors, age 60 and older, remain safely and independently in their homes. Volunteers will perform minor home maintenance such as installing grab bars and smoke alarms, fix leaky faucets, replace light bulbs, etc. For more information, call 218-281-8288.

Another program for seniors is **Senior LinkAge Line**. It is a program designed to connect you to the services you need. Transportation, Housing, Home Health Care, House-keeping (Chore) Help, Hospice, Home Delivered Meals, Snow/Lawn Care, Minor Home Repairs, Senior Drug Program, Senior Assisted Living. Call 1-800-333-2433 –Call us! It's free!!

If you would like to order a meal for delivery please call the Cafe at 218-5666 or Jo Lambert at 796-4527, before 2 p.m. the day before.

The Site is usually 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.

Dates to Remember

Oct. 9: Leif Erickson Day
Oct. 10: World Mental Health Day

Oct. 12: Columbus Day or Indigenous People's Day

Interesting Facts

Unless food is mixed with saliva you can't taste it.

Human saliva contains a painkiller called opiorphin that is six times more powerful than morphine.

Putting sugar on a cut or wound reduces pain and speeds up the healing process.

Loneliness weakens immunity, having family and friend's increases immunity by 60%.

Joke Time

An elderly looking gentleman, (mid-nineties) very well dressed, hair well-groomed, great looking suit, flower in his lapel, smelling slightly of a good aftershave, presenting a well-looked-after image, walks into an upscale cocktail lounge.

Seated at the bar is an elderly looking lady.

The gentleman walks over, sits alongside her, orders a drink, takes a sip, turns to her, and says, “So tell me, do I come here often?”

Have a good week!

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe
218-465-4402

Tri River Pioneer members met at 8 p.m. Monday, October 5th. Kyle Qualley conducted the meeting in place of President Eric Mickelson. Tri River Museum now has a gas pump from long ago with the price of gas at 33¢ a gallon. It looks nice.

A flag has been given to Tri River Museum that once flew at the Capitol. It is large and will most likely be displayed on the east wall on the south end of the museum.

Anna DeHate and Alice Jobe enjoyed a drive to Itasca Park on Saturday, the 3rd, to see the fall colored leaves. They had lunch from the Mary Gibbs Restaurant. It was take out only and they sat at the table outside. It was near the head waters. There were bikers and hikers around enjoying the beautiful day. People wore masks all over.

Brandie DeHate of Ely, came for a two day visit and went shopping with her grand-

mother Anna DeHate to Grand Forks.

This past week, Jean Carpenter's house was put up for sale. So there may be new neighbors this winter.

I think everybody will be happy when the election is done and over with. If only the other world problems be over, that would be wonderful.

Since there is very little local news, I have a few items that I hope will be of interest.

Loretta Lynn released "Coal Miner's Daughter" 60 years ago on October 6th. She's about 87 now. I saw her and Conway Twitty in the 60's in St. Paul at the Hippodrome. They had the Loretta Lynn Rodeo. It was good to see both of them.

The Grand Ole Opry is 95 years old this year. It started as a barn dance on the radio on Saturday night in Nashville. Grand Ole Opry has never missed a Saturday night. In March of 1989, I went on a bus

trip to Nashville and attended the Grand Ole Opry show on Saturday night. We saw Jimmy Dickens, who is about 5 feet tall only and put on a good show. Also Grandpa Jones, Roy Acoff, another singer who was up in age as will as many others. It was an unforgettable experience. I kept the program, about who sang and what they sang. We also saw Minnie Pearl. While there, we toured the County Hall of Fame. That was fun. Also went to Opryland Park and heard lots of singers.

Now, about the Beatles. I was a fan around 61 & 62. They were originally called the Silver Beetles. Paul McCartney met John Lennon when they were 15 & 16 years old. The like Buddy Hally and the Crickets. They got the idea for their name from them. They changed it to Beatles. Paul and Ringo are th surviving Beatles.

Have a good week.

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

The wind on Sunday was wild and wooly. It raged all day yesterday. In the evening it rained a little bit and then the wind abated, and we had a peaceful night. This is one of the things (the wind) that I hate about weather. From what I have seen it gets worse and worse every year. More and more trees are destroyed and that makes the wind all the worse every year. Open fields are great for harvesting and farming but those trees that are taken out, are not there to break the wind cycle so the wind gets cranked up with nothing to stop it. I clean the modern farming practices off my tables and hard surfaces every day. Don't try to tell

me that dust doesn't fly with these winds. My dust rag tells the real story.

This week Joyce Morinville, Cindy Determan and Keni Evje got together to have a girl's day out in Fosston. They met to eat and shop till they dropped. They had a great day of fun and laughs.

A big thank you goes out to Mr. Pazdernik of Mentor. Yesterday on the way to church, our tire picked up something and went flat when we got to church. After church we had to change the tire but needed to put air into it before we got it changed. Matt Proulx had a portable air machine, and he aired up the tire for us. Thank you to Matt for taking the time to help us. We did get the car to a spot where we could change it and Mr. Pazdernik also helped with the changing of the tire. Every once in a while, someone steps up to be a friend and a buddy and displays the goodness of mankind. Thank you for being a

great citizen, and human being.

There are hearings started this morning (Monday) for putting a new person on the Supreme Court after the death of RBG. It is unprecedented that a judge is being put on the court during an election year. It is interesting to see this kind of hearing, and it will be interesting to see what happens in the future. We hope for the best.

Sure do hope you all have a great week, and enjoy the Fall weather. Mask up and stay safe. By the way some feel that if they have had Covid, they are immune. The doctors told me if you get Covid, you are not immune because there are many strains of Covid and you can get it again. And that second time around it could be a worse outcome. My daughter is in the health field and she also told me that you can get it again especially if your first event was not very bad.

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