

Oklee Precipitation

By Einar Kvasager

	Rain	Snow
Oct. 12		0.18
Oct. 13		0.05
Oct. 14		0.07
Oct. 15		0.05
Oct. 16		Trace
Total	0.35	0.00

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...AND CONTINUING THE PLUMMER PIONEER

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What is Trunk or Treat?

Along with everything else in our lives this year, Covid-19 is making Halloween different, but maybe much better!

The Oklee Community Club is hosting a site for Trunk or Treaters this year. On October 31st, from 4:30p.m. to 6 p.m. on Oklee's Main Street, there will be spots available. There will be signs posted where you can set up at 3:30 p.m. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place to the best decorated Trunk. And you must provide your own candy or non-candy items to hand out. NO HOME-MADE TREATS!

Halloween celebrations may look a bit different this year due to the global pandemic. If you're considering how to trick-or-treat safely with your kids this Halloween, this might be the year for your family to try Trunk-or-Treating.

Trunk or Treat is an alternative to the house to house trick or treating tradition associated with Halloween.

Participants park their cars side by side in a designated area of the parking lot. Most folks decorate their trunks for the event. Candy is handed out by the participants. Some folks actually sit amongst their decorations, some bring yard chairs and some stand to hand out the candy.

In a recent Halloween 2020 trends report showed that 22% of parents surveyed expect to Trunk-or-Treat this year with families they know.

If you are not familiar with Trunk-or-Treat, it is a Halloween tradition in which cars get just as decked out as candy-seekers.

Participants decorate with some kind of thematic flair. Then, costumed trunk-or-treaters roam from vehicle to vehicle, collecting candy and Halloween treats as they go.

Trunk-or-Treat events are perfect for rural areas with spaced-out homes, for kids who get tired walking from house to house, or for families who want to add in an extra candy-gathering activity before or after door-to-door trick-or-treating. It also allows parents to show off their creative sides.

Trunk-or-Treat ideas run the gamut, from turning your open-trunk cars into open-mouthed monsters, to re-creat-

ing some of your favorite movie and TV show scenes and sets in and around your vehicle. If you're looking for Trunk-or-Treat inspiration, there is lots of examples online, just type in Trunk or Treat and explore the possibilities.

Trunk or Treat

Decorating Ideas

This is fun for the adults! If you have no yard, a small yard, or have already filled your yard to the street with Halloween decorations, then this is a brand new opportunity to add more festivity to the world. You have to get creative since it's such a small space to work with, but the results can be either adorable or spooky depending on your liking.

Pick a theme! Spiders? Mum-mies? Monsters?

Bring in balloons for a creepy clown circus or a monster bash!

Take advantage of your car's CD player and play scary sounds or Halloween songs like "Monster Mash" at this year's trunk or treat event.

String cobwebs down from the trunk! You can create or buy a giant spider decoration and place it on top of your car.

Stick a skeleton in the driver's seat and have it waving to people walking by, or press a scary mask up against the window to look out on the kids.

Don't forget the ground around your car! Presumably you'll have a little extra space to move around your car as well as a spot near your trunk to sit while passing out candy. There may be space to stand a creepy creature of some sort or stage a spooky scene.

Supplies - Besides décor (and of course, candy!), you may wish to bring along the following:

Water to drink. It can be a long night!

A fog machine to add atmosphere.

Balloons to draw attention to your car.

A costume for yourself!

A blanket or sweater. It can get pretty chilly just sitting still in late October.

A friend, spouse, or family member. You're welcome to try to set up a trunk or treat scene on your own, but between décor and handing out candy, you're liable to want some help!

Benefits of Trunk or Treating

Deemed safer than normal trick or treating because you are less likely to encounter strangers.

It is more convenient for parents because parents only have to take their kids to one place.

Trunk or treating events can occur on a day other than Halloween.

Provides access to Halloween festivities for those who do not live in a typical residential neighborhood.

Can provide opportunities for promoting educational platforms and organizations.

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

American Legion Auxiliary Bingo Bake Canceled

As many know, the first Friday of November is traditionally the evening that the American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 159, Oklee hosts the popular Bingo Bake. This has been a fun community event for many years and has been highly successful, allowing Unit 159 to financially support many of the community events the Oklee group participates in.

Due to Covid 19, the ALA Oklee members have decided not to host Bingo Bake for 2020. However, the group is gearing up for another round of Bingo Bake in 2021! The community and area support of this event has been appreciated. We hope our loyal bingo players will return next November to another exciting evening of Bingo Bake!

Festival of Tables Postponed in 2020

The Festival of Tables organized and hosted by the Red Lake County American Cancer Society committee will not be held in 2020. Volunteers for the Red Lake County ACS have decided that due to concerns for Covid 19, gathering for this event would be unwise as the popular luncheon is attended by many women from the across the area.

October is recognized by the American Cancer Society as Breast Cancer Awareness month. The ACS is a 24 hour source of information and support for those concerned about any cancer diagnosis. Information is available 7 days a week at www.cancer.org or by calling 800-227-2345.

Anyone with questions about the Festival of Tables may contact the following at the local level: Barb Melby, Oklee or Carol Chaput, Brooks. It is anticipated that the Festival of Tables will be held in 2021.

Please remember to be proactive and schedule any annual screenings for cancer.

Zion Lutheran Church Bingo Canceled

It was decided due to increases in Covid019 cases to cancel the Bingo planned for October 15th at the Hall.

COVID-19 Community Testing

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) works in partnership with communities to provide safe and free on-site COVID-19 testing in areas with outbreaks, increasing cases, or other barriers to access existing test sites.

Visit COVID-19 Community Testing (<https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/testsites/community.html>) to sign up for an appointment or learn more.

Covid Testing in Crookston
Tuesday, October 20
Wednesday, October 21
Thursday, October 22
12 - 6 p.m.
Crookston Sports Center
801 Fisher Ave
Crookston, MN 56716

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.



The 2020 Homecoming King Brock Tvedt and Queen Kia Bachand.

Homecoming Candidates Start Music

By Katelyn Suchy, Danny Guillemette, and Faith Hanson

2019 Homecoming Queen Allison Aakhus escorted by 2019 Homecoming King Derek Peterson came back to Red Lake County Central High School to crown this year's Homecoming King and Queen. Allison is currently attending MSUM for elementary education. Derek is currently attending NDSU for pre nursing program and continuing for his BSN degree.

The 2020 Queen and King Candidates include Kia Bachand daughter of Jeff and Jodi Bachand, escorted by Brock Tvedt son of Keven and Tiffany Tvedt. Kia is a member of volleyball, basketball, student senate, and Minnesota Honor Society. Her favorite superhero is Spiderman and her biggest fear is drowning. Kia's biggest achievement is scoring her 1000th point in basketball. Brock is a member of cross country, track, and Minnesota Honor Society. Brock's favorite movies are Step Brothers and Joe Dirt and his favorite superhero is Phillip Sorenson.

Karena Melby, daughter of Issac and Marcella Melby, was escorted by Brody Moen, son of Jason and Shannon Moen. Karena is a member of the volleyball team, as well as Student Senate, Minnesota Honors

Society, and the One-Three act plays. Her favorite movies are La La Land, Little Women, and Whiplash. Her favorite superhero is One Direction. If she could go anywhere in the world, she would go to Italy or France to study abroad. Brody Moen is involved in Cross Country, Basketball, and the Track team. His biggest fear is Ms. Miller. His favorite superhero is Bryan Paskvan, and his favorite teacher is Mr. Huie.

Janae Olson daughter of Sara Olson and Dale Olson, Adriel Bakken daughter of Rob and Tanya Bakken were escorted by Isaiah Aquino son of Ruben Aquino and Sandra Reynoso. Janae is a member of volleyball, student senate, and Minnesota Honor Society. Janae's favorite movie is Lemonade Mouth and Parent Trap, her biggest fear is frogs and if she could go anywhere it would be anywhere but here. Adriel is a member of Minnesota honor society and student senate. Her ideal date is night ice skating, and if she could go anywhere it would go to Israel to walk where Jesus walked. Isaiah is a member of football, basketball, and baseball. His biggest fear is Gavin Galkowski, his favorite teacher is Ms. Miller, and his ideal date is never again trusting a woman.

Emily Kolstoe, daughter of Matt and Lisa Kolstoe was escorted by Jeremy Kruchowski, son of Pat and Lori Kruchowski. Emily is a member of volleyball, golf, One and Three act plays, Student Senate, and Minnesota Honor Society. Emily's favorite movie is One direction: this is us, her biggest fear is spiders, and her favorite teacher is Kory Baril. Jeremy is a member of the basketball team. His biggest achievement is being Gavin's friend, his biggest fear is spiders, and this favorite superhero is the black panther.

Wakley Bryl was not present. Wakley is a part of the basketball team. His favorite movie is Super troopers, and his biggest fear is Coach Paige.

The 2020 Prince and Princess Candidates include Cari Bachand, daughter of Jeff and Jodi Bachand, escorted by Jed Duden, son of Rodney and Jody Duden. Cari is a member of the Volleyball and Basketball teams, as well as Student Senate and Minnesota Honors Society. Her biggest fear is spiders, her favorite superhero is Thor, and her favorite teacher is Mr. Paskvan. Jed is involved in Football and Trap Shooting. His favorite movies are Power

Homecoming...
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Covid numbers rising in both counties

Daily Inter-County Nursing Service Covid-19 updates:

October 19th:
There is 1 new case to report in Pennington County, the individual is in their 40's.
There are 2 new cases to report in Red Lake County, the individuals are in their 30's.

October 18th:
There are 3 new cases to report in Pennington County, the individuals are in their 60's and 40's.

There is 1 new case to report in Red Lake County, the individual is in their 30's.

October 17th:
There are 3 new cases to report in Pennington County, the individuals are in their 50's and 40's, one is hospitalized.

There is 1 new case to report in Red Lake County, the individual is in their teens.

October 16th:
There are 6 new cases to report in Pennington County, age ranges 30's to 60's.

There are 6 new cases to report for Red Lake County, age ranges 15 to 80's.

October 15th:
There are two new laboratory confirmed cases in Pennington County, the individuals are in their 60's and 40's, recovering at home.

There are no new cases to

report for Red Lake County.

October 14th:
There are three new laboratory confirmed cases in Pennington County, the individuals are in their teens, 40's and 70's, recovering at home.

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

October 13th:
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 50's, recovering at home.

It is with a heavy heart that we report a second COVID related death in Red Lake County. The individual was in their 80's.

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 someones isolation period is completed close to the time of reporting because it is based on when symptoms started.

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



Statistics (10-19-20):

- 124,439 Positive Tests
- 2,531,998 Complete Tests
- 1,694,265 People tested
- 109,963 Patients Who No Longer Need Isolation
- 2,239 Total Deaths
- 8,916 Total Hospitalized
- As of this printing - Total Confirmed Cases in surrounding Counties:
 - Pennington County: 163 recovered cases
 - 15 active case
 - 12 hospitalization
 - 1 death
 - Red Lake County: 60 recovered cases
 - 9 active case
 - 6 hospitalization
 - 2 death
 - Marshall County: 87
 - Clearwater County: 76
 - Beltrami County: 768
 - Polk County: 447 (as of 10-15-2020)
 - 85 active cases
 - 3 hospitalizations
 - 4 deaths

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Linda Molitor
Wed, Oct. 21: 4:00 p.m. 1st
Communion at Zion. 7:00 p.m.
Confirmation at Zion.
Thu, Oct. 22: 4:00 p.m.
Bible Study.
Sun, Oct. 25: 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, Oct. 28: 4:00 p.m. 1st
Communion at Zion. 7:00 p.m.
Confirmation at Zion.
Sermons on GVTEL Chan-
nel 35 (10 am Sunday & 2 pm
Tuesday), Facebook or YouTube.

**CATHOLIC PARISHES
OF OKLEE, GRYGLA &
GOODRIDGE**
Fr. Adam Hamness
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. St. Fran-
cis – 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**
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, Oct. 25: 9:00 a.m.
Worship at Ebenezer. 10:30
a.m. Worship at Immanuel.

**GOODRIDGE AREA
LUTHERAN PARISH**
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith
Pastor Kristen Ostercamp
Wed, Oct. 21: 6:30 p.m.
Ekelund. 7:30 p.m. Grade 8
Confirmation.
Sun, Oct. 25: 8:30 a.m.
Faith. 9:30 a.m. Facebook Live.
10:00 a.m. Faith Formation.
Wed, Oct. 28: 6:30 p.m.
Bethany.

**CLEARWATER
LUTHERAN PARISH**
Mt. Olive – Nazareth
Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseth
Wed, Oct. 21: 5 p.m.
Wednesday School. 7:00 p.m.
OP Ladies Aid.
Sat, Oct. 24: Mt Olive:
9:00 a.m.
Sun, Oct. 25: 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 ser-
mons at www.facebook.com/clearwaterlutheranparish
Wed, Oct. 28: 5 p.m.
Wednesday School.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg,
Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Oct. 21: 6:25 p.m.
AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth
Group.
Sun, Oct. 25: 9:30 a.m.
Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday
School.
Tue, Oct. 27: 9:30 a.m.
Ladies Devotions. 10:00 a.m.
Quilting.
Wed, Oct. 28: 6:25 p.m.
AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth
Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson,
Lay Minister
Sun, Oct. 25: 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
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Radio
service continues on 96.7FM
10:00 a.m. Contemporary
Worship Service. And on Face-
book Live as well, Sunday at
10AM.

BINGO NIGHT
hosted by
Zion Lutheran
Church
Sunday
POSTPONED
6:00 p.m.
Cards are 2 for .25¢
Masks required,
all are welcome.

Oklee Senior Site Dining

October 26 - 30
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: Chicken strip, hash
browns, mixed vegetables,
toast, milk, and dessert.
Tue: Egg salad sandwich,
chicken noodle soup, milk, and
dessert.
Wed: 6 pc. Shrimp, Amer-
ican fries, corn, toast, milk,
and dessert.
Thu: Liver & onions, pars-
ley buttered potatoes, carrots,
milk, and dessert.
Fri: Baked chicken, boiled
potatoes, cream peas, bread,
milk, and dessert.

Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial Update

Donations recently received
for the Oklee Area Veterans'
Memorial recognized the mili-
tary service of 2 local men.
Carol Bachand, Brooks made
a contribution to the Memorial
in memory of Oren Syrtveit,
rural Oklee and Milo Sandeen,
Oklee. David and Mary Lynn
Bachand, Oklee also donated
to the Veterans' Memorial in
memory of their neighbor, Milo
Sandeen. Oren enlisted in the
US Army in 1955 and served 2
years. Milo enlisted in the US
Army in 1958 and was station-
ed in Taiwan and Japan. The
Veterans' Memorial committee
is honored to recognize both of
these veterans.

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



Red Lake County Cares Act Funding Available

A second round of CARES
Act Relief Funding is available
to Red Lake County business-
es. Funds can be applied
for if the business can prove
comparative losses between
2019 and 2020. First round
applicants are encouraged to
re-apply.

Applications and more de-
tails are available on the Red
Lake County Website or at the
County Auditor's office. Appli-
cations are due by October 24,
2020 to the Red Lake County
Auditor.

Application can also be
found at the Red Lake County
website at www.co.red-lake.mn.us
For more information
contact Bob Schmitz, County
Auditor at (218) 253-2598.

Red Lake County Commissioners Minutes

RED LAKE COUNTY Regular Meeting Held September 22, 2020

Pursuant to adjournment of its
last meeting the Red Lake County
Board of Commissioners held its
regular board meeting on September
22, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Chairman
Remick called the meeting to order.
All Commissioners were present.
The Pledge of Allegiance was re-
cited.

County Highway Engineer Erik
Hove was present to discuss three
topics. Hove informed that in order
to complete some of the construc-
tion projects on the current 5-year
plan several roadways must be
re-designated as county state aid
highways to utilize state aid funding
sources. Therefore, to accomplish
this, the board must pass resolutions
revoking some existing CSAH desig-
nations and establishing new ones.
Hove distributed a map showing the
designated locations. The County
Roads Committee discussed earlier
and is recommending approval.
Commissioner Simpson moved,
seconded by Dudycha and carried
by unanimous vote to approve Res-
olution No. 09-01-20 as follows:

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute
163.11, Subdivision 1, provides
among other things, for the estab-
lishment, alteration, vacation, or re-
vocation of a county road by County
Board Resolution; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute
162.02, Subdivision 10, provides
among other things, for County State
Aid Highways to be abandoned,
changed, or revoked by joint action
of the County Board and the Com-
missioner of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, it is the Engineer's
recommendation to revoke and re-
establish these county state
routes to better align the road num-
bering system with constructed seg-
ments and to re-designate county
aid and county state aid mileage to
better meet current and projected
traffic demands, improve access
to communities, markets, schools,
and mail routes with the remaining
miles going into the County State
Aid mileage bank to be designated
elsewhere on future adjustments.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RE-
SOLVED that the Red Lake County
Board of Commissioners hereby
revokes County State Aid Highway
14 described as follows:

Revoke a portion of County State
Aid Highway No. 14, beginning at
the intersection of County State Aid
Highway 12 and County State Aid
Highway 14 in Section 23, Town-
ship 150 North, Range 43 West of
the 5th Principal Meridian, which
is the point of beginning; Thence
east along the north section lines
of Sections 23 and 24, in Town-
ship 150 North, Range 42 West
of the 5th Principal Meridian, to
County State Aid Highway 15 for
a distance of approximately 3.01
miles, there terminating.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED
that the Red Lake County Board of
Commissioners hereby establish-
es County road 132 described as
follows:

Establish an extension of County
Road No. 132, beginning at the in-
tersection of County State Aid Highway
12 and County State Aid Highway 14
in Section 23, Township 150 North,
Range 43 West of the 5th Principal
Meridian, which is the point of be-
ginning; Thence east along the north
section lines of Sections 23 and 24,
in Township 150 North, Range 43
West of the 5th Principal Meridian,
Thence east along the north section
line of Section 19, in Township 150
North, Range 42 West of the 5th
Principal Meridian, to County State
Aid Highway 15 for a distance of
approximately 3.01 miles, there
terminating.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RE-
SOLVED that the Red Lake County
Board of Commissioners hereby
revokes County Road 124 described
as follows:

Revoke a portion of County Road
No. 124, beginning at the intersec-
tion of County State Aid Highway 1
and County Road 124 in Section 8,
Township 151 North, Range 42 West
of the 5th Principal Meridian, which
is the point of beginning; Thence
north along the centerline of 195th
Ave SE in Section 8, Township 151
North, Range 42 West of the 5th
Principal Meridian for a distance of
0.50 miles; Thence east along the
centerline of Central Avenue in Sec-
tion 8 and 9, Township 151 North,
Range 42 West of the 5th Principal
Meridian for a distance of 0.50
miles, there terminating.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RE-
SOLVED that the Red Lake County
Board of Commissioners hereby
revokes County State Aid Highway
52 described as follows:
Revoke a portion of County State
Aid Highway 52, beginning at the
intersection of Central Avenue and
Minnesota Street in Section 9, Town-
ship 151 North, Range 42 West of
the 5th Principal Meridian, which
is the point of beginning; Thence
east along the centerline of Central
Avenue in Section 9, Township 151
North, Range 42 West of the 5th
Principal Meridian, to Minnesota
Trunk Highway 59 for a distance
of approximately 0.22 miles, there
terminating.

Sudoku Solution

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

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RE-
SOLVED that the Red Lake County
Board of Commissioners hereby es-
tablishes County State Aid Highway
24 described as follows:

Establish County State Aid High-
way 24, beginning at the intersection
of County State Aid Highway 1 and
County Road 124 in Section 8, Town-
ship 151 North, Range 42 West of
the 5th Principal Meridian, which
is the point of beginning; Thence
north along the centerline of 195th
Ave SE in Section 8, Township 151
North, Range 42 West of the 5th
Principal Meridian for a distance of
1.29 miles, to Minnesota
Trunk Highway 59 for a total distance
of 1.79 miles, there terminating.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RE-
SOLVED that the Red Lake County
Board of Commissioners hereby
revokes County Road 126 described
as follows:

Revoke a Portion of County Road
No. 126, beginning at the intersection
of Central Avenue and Minnesota
Street in Section 9, Township 151
North, Range 42 West of the 5th
Principal Meridian, which is the point
of beginning; Thence north along
the centerline of Minnesota Street
in Section 9, Township 151 North,
Range 42 West of the 5th Principal
Meridian for a distance of 0.63 miles;
Thence east along the centerline of
170th Street SE in Section 9, Town-
ship 151 North, Range 42 West of the
5th Principal Meridian for a distance
of 0.04 miles, to Minnesota Trunk
Highway 59 for a total distance of
0.67 miles, there terminating.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED
that the Red Lake County Board of
Commissioners hereby establishes
County State Aid Highway 52 de-
scribed as follows:

Establish an extension of County
State Aid Highway 52, beginning at
the intersection of Central Avenue
and Minnesota Street in Section 9,
Township 151 North, Range 42 West
of the 5th Principal Meridian, which
is the point of beginning; Thence
north along the centerline of Minne-
sota Street in Section 9, Township 151
North, Range 42 West of the 5th
Principal Meridian for a distance
of 0.63 miles; Thence east along
the centerline of 170th Street SE
in Section 9, Township 151 North,
Range 42 West of the 5th Principal
Meridian for a distance of 0.04 miles,
to Minnesota Trunk Highway 59 for
a total distance of 0.67 miles, there
terminating.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED
that this action shall be contingent
upon the approval of the Commis-
sioner of the Minnesota Department
of Transportation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED
that the County State Aid mileage
tally for the above changes to the
County State Aid Route System in
Red Lake County is as follows: exist-
ing referenced routes; 3.23 miles,
revised referenced routes; 2.46 miles,
remaining miles to go into Red Lake
County's County State Aid Highway
mileage bank; 0.77 miles.

Hove mentioned that Louisville
Township has received a State Park
Road Account Grant to improve
170th Ave SW. The roadway is the
sole access to Moran Wildlife
Management Area. The grant will
be used for construction costs; how-
ever, the Township is responsible
for engineering costs. The township
has asked the County to provide
the engineering services to deliver
the project. Hove has developed a
MOU (Memorandum of Understand-
ing) that describes the services to
be performed and how the County
is to be reimbursed. The Township
has approved this agreement at
their last meeting. Commissioner
Weiss moved, seconded by Flage
and carried unanimously to approve
the MOU with Louisville Township
as presented. The Board Chair and
Auditor are authorized to sign the
document.

Hove requested approval of a
Final Contract payment for Project
SAP 063-614-007 & CP 63-01-20 to
contractor RJ Zavoral & Sons of East
Grand Forks, Mn. The project in-
volved adding 4" of stabilized gravel
surfacing to 13-miles of CSAH 14 in
southern end of the county. Commis-
sioner Weiss moved, seconded by
Dudycha and carried by unanimous
vote to approve a final contract pay-
ment in amount of \$640,179.25 to RJ
Zavoral & Sons.

Commissioner Flage moved and
seconded by Dudycha to approve the
minutes of the regular board meeting
held on September 8, 2020. The
motion carried unanimously.

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

Vendor	Amount
Brooks Auto	\$3,978.46
Larson Helicopter, LLC.	15,694.00
Deb Lewis	3,577.05
Pomp's Tire Service, Inc.	6,600.00
Riley Bros /Construction	344,923.23
RJ Zavoral & Sons	6,401.79
Triple D Construction Co.	22,427.50
University of Mn Extension	15,051.21
University of North Dakota	2,367.63
19 Vendors less than \$2,000.	3,570.08
FINAL TOTAL	\$424,590.95

The motion included the following
additional bills: \$290.00 Bjorklund
Compensation Consulting; \$250.00
to NW Mental Health; \$346.43 to
Quill; \$11.50 expenses and \$400.00
per diem to Al Remick.

The following Commissioner/
Committee reports were shared:
Commissioner Meeting/Report
Simpson: -None.

Dudycha: -Meetings of Tri County
Corrections and County Extension
Committee.
Weiss: -Personnel Committee

meeting and Tri County Corrections.
Flage: -NW Regional Develop-
ment and Inter County Nursing
meetings.

Remick: -Personnel Committee
meeting, County Extension Commit-
tee and NW Regional Radio Board.

HR Director Lundeen met with
the board regarding corrections for
some county employees wages on
the salary grade schedule. There
are three (3) employees are at
Highway Department and three (3)
employees at Social Services that
are affected. Lundeen proposed that
an adjustment will be made for an
employee in which their 2019 max-
imum wage of the old grade table
was more than their 2019 maximum
wage on the current grade table.
This will apply to only the current em-
ployee in the current position at the
effective date of the new grade table,
January 1, 2020. And, any employee
new to the position would follow the
current grade table. Commissioner
Weiss moved, seconded by Flage
and carried unanimously to approve
the change as presented.

Lundeen requested clarification
on years of service award for em-
ployee, Jeff Kelley. Commissioner
Weiss moved, seconded by Simpson
and carried unanimously to approve
that Jeff Kelley be credited for 17
years of service due to his initial re-
hire agreement.

Lundeen recommended policy
language change regarding longev-
ity. The policy language will now
state: Full-time employees receive
\$15.00 a month for each five years
of service. Longevity payments will
begin during the pay period of their
anniversary. Employees will be given
credit in the pay period for the
month in which they become eligible.
Commissioner Simpson moved,
seconded by Flage to approve the
change as presented. Voting aye:
Commissioners Flage, Simpson,
Weiss and Remick. Commissioner
Dudycha voted in opposition. Motion
carried.

Cam Fanfulk of the NW Regional
Development attended by speaker
phone to discuss more information
on the CARES Grant program for
the county. Program parameters
were discussed. The business ap-
plication is on the county web site,
application deadline is October 10,
2020. Fanfulk again mentioned that
the RDC will manage and complete
reporting requirements for the county
at no charge, but recommended that
an agreement between the county
and RDC be approved. Commis-
sioner Weiss moved, seconded by
Dudycha and carried unanimously
to approve the agreement with the
NW Regional Development.

Commissioner Simpson left the
meeting.

The County Board then proceed-
ed to review the proposed 2021
proposed county budget. Auditor
Schmitz presented detail informa-
tion for the County Revenue Fund,
including the Highway Department
and Social Services budgets, and
provided a summary of the overall
proposed county tax levy and bud-
get. Commissioner Dudycha left the
meeting. Discussion continued on
state mandated services; including
the state funding available to provide
some services, and ways to reduce
the overall budget costs. Commis-
sioner Weiss moved, seconded by
Flage and carried unanimously
to adopt the proposed tax levy at
\$3,685,792.00 (5% increase), less
\$472,604.00 State County Program
Aid, resulting in \$3,213,188.00 cer-
tified tax levy for payable year 2021.

There being no further business
the regular board meeting was
adjourned to October 13, 2020 at
10:00 a.m.

Attest:
Robert Schmitz, County Auditor

Allen Remick, Chair,
Board of Commissioners
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RLCC Menus

October 26 - 30
Oklee

Monday: Breakfast: Biscuit w/egg, cheese & sausage, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Rib patty, mini bakers, vegetables, W/G bun, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Apple turnover, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Ham patty w/bun, potato wedges, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: French toast, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Cheesy bread w/sauce, lettuce salad, carrots & celery sticks, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken spaghetti, bread sticks, vegetables, string cheese, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Tomato soup, grilled cheese, crackers, fresh vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Monday: Breakfast: Bagel w/toppings, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Fish nuggets, au gratin potatoes, cucumbers, dinner roll, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Pork rib w/bun, baked beans, baby carrots, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Waffles, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Super nachos (lettuce, tomatoes), corn, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Diced chicken & gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, dinner roll, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Apple filled donut, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, celery, green beans, fruit, and milk.



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

RLCC Cross Country Varsity 2020 Schedule

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

Red Lake County Rebel Football 2020 Schedule

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

Fri, Oct 30: 7:00PM
RLC vs. 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

Mon, Nov 9: 5:00PM
Away vs. Climax Shelly @ Fisher High School

Thu, Nov 12: 5:00PM
Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears @ Oklee School

Junior High takes on Raiders

The Red Lake County Rebel junior high football teams took on Lake Park-Audubon Tuesday, October 13th in a battle on the Oklee football field.

The 7th grade game was a defensive struggle. Red Lake County had trouble moving the football but they would hold the Raiders out of the endzone until late in the 1st half and would trail 8-0 at halftime.

It would stay 8-0 until the fourth quarter. RLC would put together a nice drive and finally punch one into the endzone. The PAT would fail and RLC still trailed 8-6.

The Rebels would force a turnover and with 1 minute left would put together another drive. RLC would get down to the 20 yard line but ran out of time and fell 8-6 to LP-A. The 7th grade teams falls to 2-1 on the season.

The 8th grade game was also lowering scoring. RLC would strike first in this one. After a nice drive a Brock Seeger short run and a successful PAT would give the Rebels a 8-0 lead.

The Raiders of LP-A would find the endzone in the 2nd quarter to pull within 8-6. RLC would answer on their next possession. A long Owen Chervestad to Seeger pass would find the endzone and RLC would go into the break up 14-6.

LP-A would make things interesting in the 4th. After getting a score to make the game 14-12, the Raiders would get a defensive stop and get the ball back. RLC's defense would come up big as they would tackle the QB in the endzone for a safety in route to the 16-12 win. RLC 8th grade improves to 2-1 on the year.

Rebels participate at NW MN Cross Country Conference at Heart of the Valley Golf Course

By Leilah VanDam
The Red Lake County Rebel Cross Country teams traveled to Ada on October 9th for Northwest Minnesota Cross Country Conference at Heart of the Valley Golf Course

Individual times from the Senior High boy include Azazel Chapman with 30th place at a time of 19:36.8. Brody Moen placed 35th with a time of 19:46.6. Brock Tvedt 42th placed 42nd with a time of 20:38.4. Caden Lee placed 50th with a time of 21:49.2, Peyton O'Neill 51st place with a time of 22:33.1, Everett Svendsen 55th place with a time of 24:02.5, and Maverick Nelson 59th place with a time of 25:57.6.

The Girls Varsity Team finished 3rd overall. Individual placements were Marissa Schiebe, 13th place with a time of 22:08.2, Elizabeth Lytle 31st place with a time of 24:00.2, Emma Hendrickson 39th place with a time of 25:17.0, and Daphne Harmoning 47th place with a time of 27:22.5.

"We had a great day at the Northwest Minnesota Cross Country Conference Meet in Ada. We had 6 PR's with several others very close. Marissa Schiebe finished 13th which is placing at the Conference Meet



and will receive a conference plaque for her placing.

We are looking forward to the Section 8A Meet to finish out our season on a strong note." - Coach Randy Huie

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

Cross Country Meet

By Peyton Fish
Red Lake County Rebels Cross Country team had its sixth meet of the season on Monday, October 5th, 2020.

The Boys Varsity Team finished 5th place overall. Individual places were Brock Tvedt 9th place and Brody Moen 23rd place; also competing were Everett Svendsen, Maverick Nelson, Caden Lee and Peyton O'Neill.

Boys competing in Junior High were Nick Suchy and Brody Hammer.

The Girls Varsity Team finished 3rd overall. Individual places were Marissa Schiebe, 12th place, Elizabeth Lytle 21st place and Keira Morinville got 13th place, also competing were Daphne Harmoning, Emma Hendrickson, and Emma Knott.

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



Boys participating in Cross Country are: Back Row: Caden Lee, Peyton O'Neil, and Everett Svendsen. Front row: Azazel Chapman, Maverick Nelson, Brock Tvedt, and Brody Moen.



The girls participating in Cross Country are: Emma Hendrickson, Elizabeth Lytle, Daphne Harmoning, and Marissa Scheibe.

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 Vetteslon
☐ Lowell Hamrum
☐ _____ Write-in (if any)
☐ _____ Write-in (if any)
☐ _____ Write-in (if any)

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 Oklee	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Poplar River Township	Brooks Community Center (7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.)
Hickory Township	Hickory Township Hall
Deer Park Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Mayfield Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Hightland Township	Hightland Township Hall
Wyandott Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
Gervais Township	Mail Ballot at County Auditor's Office
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Garnet 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
Johnson 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 29th day of October, 2020

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

[Signature]
School District Election Clerk
Independent School District No. 2906

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2020 Homecoming Court: Back row: Kaleb Fougner,Clancy Hanson, Jed Duden, Nolan Magnell, and Brett Anderson. 3rd Row: Marissa Schiebe, Karena Melby, Brody Moen, Emily Kolstoe, and Jamie Flatgaard. 2nd Row: Aurimy Olson, Janae Olson, Isaiah Aquino, Jeremy Kruchowski, Adriel Bakken, Sydney Fougner and Clowie Magnell. Front Row: Prince Maverick Nelson, Princess Cari Bachand, Queen Kia Bachand, and King Brock Tvedt. Not pictured: Wakely Bryl

Homecoming... Continued from page 1.

Rangers, Romeo and Juliet, Titanic, and Step Brothers. His biggest achievement is graduating preschool. His ideal date is going to McDonalds. Marissa Shiebe daughter of Corey and Tina Berberich was escorted by Nolan Magnell son of Dennis and Danielle Mag-nell. Marissa is a member of

Cross Country, track, Minne-sota Honor Society. Marissa's favorite movies are Dazed and Confused or 50 first dates, her biggest fear is haunted woods and houses, and if she could go anywhere it would be the Salvation Mountain in Califor-nia because it sounds amazing. Nolan Magnell's biggest fear is green beans and his ideal date is a picnic with Mr. Huie at the Oklee hill.

Aurimy Olson, the daughter of Snook and Bobbie Olson, was escorted by Kaleb Fougner, son of Andrew and Stacy Fougner. Aurimy is a member of cross country, volleyball, track, Minnesota Honor Society, and Student Senate. Her favorite teacher is Mr. Strutz and her ideal date is stargazing with Marissa. Kaleb is a member of the trap shooting team. Kaleb's ideal date is going fishing,

his most unpleasant sounding word is homework and his biggest achievement is getting his driver's license. Clowie Magnell, the daugh-ter of Isaac and Emily Magnell was escorted by Brett Ander-son, son of Denise and Jeremy Anderson. Clowie is a member of the volleyball team. Her big-gest fear is spiders and collar-bones. Her favorite superhero is her dad, and her favorite teacher is Ms. Miller. Brett is a member of trap shooting. His favorite superhero is Bob the builder, and his ideal date is a tractor date.

Sydney Fougner is daughter of Andrew and Stacy Fougner, was escorted by Maverick Nel-son son of Steve and Amanda Nelson. Sydney is a member of volleyball and student senate. Her biggest fear is walking with Maverick for coronation, her ideal date is a lake day, and her biggest achievement is passing 8th grade. Maverick is a member of football, basket-ball, and student senate. His biggest fear is losing his mullet and his biggest achievement is growing a mullet. Jamie Flatgard, daughter of Craig and Shelly Flatgard, was escorted by Clancy Hanson son of Dean and Naomi Hanson.

Jamie is a member of volley-ball, basketball, and track. Her favorite movie is the great outdoors, her most unpleasant sounding noise is baseline because it means time to run, and her biggest achievement is making varsity for volleyball. Clancy is a member of the basketball team. His favorite teacher is Mr. P and his biggest fear is when the boys don't want to go hunting. 2019 Royalty Allison and Derek crowned 2020 Royalty, King Brock Tvedt and Queen Kia Bachand and Prince Mav-erick Nelson and Princess Cari Bachand.

Life would be dull

Life would be quite dull for all,
If color did not exist;
We surely would miss the glory of Fall
If only dark shades persist.

The rainbow in the sky is seen,
Colorful to every eye;
It is Heaven's sign that all's serene,
And the storm has left the sky.

The sunsets and the rosy dawn,
Would not lift our hearts a bit;
The gleaming dew drops on the lawn,
Would not seem as exquisite.

So let us sing a melody sweet,
For the gift of eyes that see;
And enjoy the colors so complete,
That makes life a jubilee.
By: Dot Gunderson Hesse



Oklee Centennial Cookbook Recipe Corner - From page 403

Worlds Best Brownies Katie (Whalen) Tobiasen

- 1 cup plus 3 Tbsp butter or margarine
- 3/4 cup baking cocoa
- 4 eggs
- 2 cups sugar
- 1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp salt
- 2 tsp vanilla extract



- Frosting:
- 6 Tbsp butter or margarine, softened
 - 2-2/3 cups confectioners sugar
 - 1/2 cup baking cocoa
 - 2 tsp vanilla extract
 - 1/4 to 1/3 cup milk

In a saucepan, melt butter. Remove from heat. Stir in cocoa; cool. In a mixing bowl, beat eggs and sugar. Combine flour, baking powder and salt; gradually add to egg mixture. Stir in vanilla and the cooled chocolate mixture; mix well. Spread into a greased 13 x 9 x 2 baking pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 25-28 minutes or until toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean (DO NOT OVERBAKE!!) Cool on wire rack. For frosting, in a mixing bowl, cream butter, confectioners sugar, cocoa and vanilla. Add enough milk until the frosting achieves spreading consistency. Spread over brownies. Yield: 2 dozen.

Is it COVID-19?

COVID-19 symptoms can include fever, cough, and shortness of breath. This may be similar to other illnesses, like the flu and common cold. Many people with COVID-19 have mild or few symptoms, and some may have no symptoms at all.

If you are able to manage your symptoms at home, you don't need to seek care or get a COVID-19 test. Contact your medical provider for any symptoms that are severe. For medical emergencies, such as difficulty breathing, call 911.

	SYMPTOMS	COVID-19	FLU	COLD	ALLERGIES
	Cough	Often	Often	Sometimes	Sometimes
	Fever	Often	Often	Rarely	Never
	Body aches	Often	Often	Rarely	Never
	Shortness of breath	Sometimes	Sometimes	Rarely	Rarely
	Headache	Sometimes	Often	Sometimes	Sometimes
	Fatigue	Sometimes	Often	Sometimes	Sometimes
	Sore throat	Sometimes	Sometimes	Sometimes	Never
	Loss of taste or smell	Sometimes	Rarely	Rarely	Rarely
	Diarrhea	Sometimes	Rarely	Never	Never
	Chest pain or pressure	Rarely	Rarely	Never	Never
	Runny nose	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Often
	Sneezing	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Often
	Watery eyes	Never	Never	Never	Often

This list is not all-inclusive.



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October 2020 Health Points

Staying home when you are sick is one of our best ways to fight COVID-19 and the Flu.

COVID-19 Guide for Families

Definitions
What is a close contact? Close contact means being within 6 feet of someone with COVID-19 for at least 15 minutes.
Casual contact, such as passing someone in the grocery store, is low risk for spreading COVID-19.
What do isolation and quar-antine mean?
Isolation and quarantine de-scribe what someone should do because they have COVID-19 or have been exposed to it. These are public health actions that help stop the spread of germs and keep people safe.
Isolation means keeping sick people away from healthy people. The sick person stays home and stays away from other people in their home as much as possible.
Here are ways to do this at home:
They can stay in their own bedroom or another part of the home and use their own bathroom if possible. They should stay out of areas where others gather--kitchen and living room.
Quarantine means keeping people who are not sick yet, but who were exposed to a sick person, away from others. Someone can spread COVID-19 before they have symptoms. Quar-antine stops them from ac-cidentally spreading the virus to other people.
The person who is in quar-antine should stay away from others. This means not par-ticipating in activities outside the home.
In either situation, choose one person to care for the per-son in isolation or quarantine, if possible. This person should

keep their distance from other people, use a face mask, and wash their hands often.
<https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/schools/attendance.pdf>
Are you Prepared?
If you received a call that you or your child was in close contact with a person who had a positive Covid-19 test result, would you be prepared to quarantine for 14 days?

National Emotional Wellness Month

How you feel can affect your ability to carry out everyday activities, your relationships, and your overall mental health. How you react to your experi-ences and feelings can change over time. Emotional wellness is the ability to success-fully handle life's stresses and adapt to change and difficult times. The National Institute of Health has a toolkit with information on six strategies for improving your emotional health.
One is Brighten Your Out-look:
To develop a more positive mindset:
Remember your good deeds. Give yourself credit for the good things you do for others each day.
Forgive yourself. Everyone makes mistakes. Learn from what went wrong, but don't dwell on it.
Spend more time with your friends. Surround yourself with positive, healthy people.
Explore your beliefs about the meaning and purpose of life. Think about how to guide your life by the principles that are important to you.
Develop healthy physical habits. Healthy eating, physi-cal activity, and regular sleep can improve your physical and mental health.
<https://www.nih.gov/health-information/emotion-al-wellness-toolkit>

Parenting Tip Design your own costumes

If you can believe it, Hallow-teen is near. And as with most celebrations during COVID-19, parents are at a loss for how to make Halloween fun and safe.
"Like with so many other things this year, we have to try to find a silver lining when it comes to celebrating Hal-loween," said Seattle, Wash-ington-area pediatrician Dr. Mollie Grow. "All the things we'd usually do-in person, like birthdays or graduations, we've figured out other ways to do them safely, so we need to apply that same creativity to Halloween."
Avoiding large gatherings is still important this Halloween, Grow stressed, so here are some creative ways to still celebrate and enjoy Hallow-teen while limiting how many people you encounter.
Here are some fun ideas
1.Design your own costume
2. Make fall recipes as a family
3. Trick-or-treat around the house
4. Go on a Bingo hike
5. Decorate for your elderly neighbors
6. Get outside and explore

STORY TO SHARE!

If you have a story or photos you want to share, please send to: okleeherald@gmail.com



Collin Peterson

Top priority: If elected, what is your top priority for the 2021 Congress? Why are you running for office?

My top priority for 2021 will be fighting to rebuild our rural economy and implement policies to help it grow. As Chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture, I will work on the upcoming farm bill which authorizes farm safety net, conservation and nutrition programs. I will continue work to prepare our livestock industry against the potential for a virus like the African Swine Fever from China. I will also continue to work on policies to support life in Western Minnesota by reforming the Universal Service Fund, so we can build out broadband using the successful model employed to bring telephones to rural America. I believe that my bipartisan approach to governing best represents my constituents in Minnesota and serves as a model for how other committees should operate in Washington.

Economy: How do you grade the federal government's response to the pandemic? Are additional measures necessary to spur the economy? If so, what?

The federal government's response to the pandemic was slow, uncoordinated, and misguided. In May, I co-lead a letter requesting \$250 billion dollars for testing and tracing to stop the spread of the virus. Had that funding been approved, and the Administration implemented a coordinated national testing and tracing strategy, we could have avoided the worst of the public health crisis, and saved the economy trillions. Within our current situation, additional funding will be needed to help businesses, support our healthcare system, assist families in need, and support local governments so they can maintain vital services.

Police reform: Police reform has become center stage since the George Floyd death and has prompted calls for legislative action at all levels of government. What actions do you support at the federal level?

I voted for H.R. 7120, the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act which seeks to bring more accountability and transparency to law enforcement. It is unfortunate that looters, rioters and people with extreme agendas have taken away from the message of people who want to see more fair treatment for all Americans.

Foreign affairs: How do you grade President Trump's foreign policy record? Which of his initiatives do you support, and which do you oppose? Be specific.

I agree with the President's pro-Israel policies, his

goal of reducing our military presence in the Middle East, and the withdrawal from the Iran nuclear deal which was not strong enough to confront Iran's nuclear ambitions. I am a strong supporter of the US-Mexico-Trade Agreement (USMCA) which provides certainty to American producers. While I understand the need to negotiate better trade deals, the unilateral trade wars have been ineffective and counter-productive to dealing with trade abuses from China. The trade wars have hurt our rural economy.

Health care: Do you support the expansion of Association Health Plans?

Yes, I support additional options that allow people to gain affordable healthcare coverage through associations. Solutions to improving our healthcare system have been stymied by the partisanship around healthcare, so any healthcare solution needs to have buy-in from both parties to have a chance at addressing the pressing needs to make our system more affordable for people in the middle who struggle to pay for coverage.

Education: COVID-19 has had a profound effect on the demands for and delivery of education. What role should the federal government play in ensuring that U.S. graduates can compete in the global economy?

In May I supported the Heroes Act which would have provided billions for school districts to prepare for the unique challenge of the 2020-21 school year. In addition to the need for resources for schools, the biggest unmet need for rural schools is access to high speed broadband for all students. I am leading a bipartisan bill called the Universal Broadband Act which would reform the Universal Service Fund to bring broadband to unserved areas using the successful model used decades ago to bring telephone service to rural areas. This reform would provide a sustained funding source sufficient to expand broadband to the hard to reach areas, and ensure that this service could be updated over time as technology evolves.

Energy: Is the United States doing enough to reduce carbon emissions? What can the federal government do to promote homegrown energy?

I support an all-of-the-above energy policy. In Congress I have supported the tax credits for wind and solar energy, and policies that have supported the development of the natural gas industry.

Biofuels are an important homegrown transportation fuel, and I have helped pass the Renewable Fuel Standard which has been critical to the development of this industry. Coal remains an important source of low-cost electricity in rural areas and I support tax credits to help capture the carbon emissions from power plants.

Transportation: What role should the federal government play in funding state and local transportation infrastructure? Be specific.

We all agree that our infrastructure is crumbling, but there hasn't been the political will in Congress act. I have been a long supporter of increasing the federal gas tax. This has not been done since 1993 and is the most straightforward way to increase fund-

ing our infrastructure.

Immigration: Immigration reform continues to languish at the federal level. What should be the principles of any legislation?

Our current system is broken which has hurt American workers and American businesses. A reformed system should be enforceable, and help meet many of the shortages we have from agriculture labor to increasing the number of rural doctors. I am a strong supporter of a bipartisan agriculture guest worker program that expands the availability of agriculture labor and increases accountability by requiring employers to participate in the E-Verify to discourage illegal immigration. Reform should also address some of the fairness issues, and legislate a fix for the DACA kids.

Foreign trade: Do you support the president's actions on international trade? Long term, will they help or hurt the U.S. economy?

I was the first Committee Chair to support the USMCA trade agreement and helped bring other Democrats on board to give this trade deal a large bipartisan majority of support in the House. I voted years ago to not allow China into the World Trade Organization (WTO) because I didn't feel they could be trusted to play by the rules. China has been a bad actor, but acting without our allies to confront China's abusive trade practices have hurt our economy with some of the biggest losses coming from farmers and the jobs they support. It could take a long time to get back to the level of agriculture exports we were before the trade wars started.

Other issues: Are there other issues you want to address?

People are disgusted with dysfunction in Washington, and I share their frustration. As the Chairman of the Agriculture Committee, I operate my Committee in a bipartisan manner. I have passed farm bills as a Committee Chairman - but also worked to pass farm bills when in the minority party, because it is the right thing to do for farmers and the rural economy. This doesn't happen in other committees where people settle for getting nothing done rather than doing the hard work of finding a compromise everyone can live with. I have always worked with the President and whoever serves with me in Congress regardless of who belongs to what party. The hyper-partisanship in our country doesn't make it easy to do things this way, but it's how I operate and I'll never change.

Briefly summarize your personal background and qualifications.

I grew up on a farm in Baker, MN, graduated from MSU-Moorhead and served in the National Guard from 1963-1969. I was a Certified Public Accountant and owned a small business in Detroit Lakes, and am a musician and a pilot. Prior to serving in Congress, I was a Minnesota State Senator, and currently in Congress I serve as Chairman of the House Agriculture Committee and am a member of the House Veterans Affairs Committee.



calls for legislative action at all levels of government. What actions do you support at the federal level?

- The murders of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and so many others have underscored the dire need to systematically reform policing at the local, state, and federal levels. All Minnesotans—including Black, Brown, and Indigenous Minnesotans—should have the right to feel safe in their communities, and that includes when interacting with police. To do this, we must reimagine policing to ensure that de-escalation and community engagement are at the forefront of decisions and training. I helped introduce the Justice in Policing Act, which would change the culture of departments by holding police accountable, improving police training and practices, making lynching a federal hate crime, and making it a federal crime to conspire to violate existing federal laws.

I also wrote the Supporting Innovation in Public Safety Act which would help state, local, and Tribal governments reimagine policing in their communities by funding innovative projects and best practices to transform how we deliver public safety and other social services.

Foreign affairs: How do you grade President



Michelle Fischbach

Top priority: If elected, what is your top priority for the 2021 Congress? Why are you running for office?

My top priority is to improve the economy of western Minnesota. It was improving because of Republican policies like the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, a commitment to energy independence, and cutting burdensome regulations. On the other hand, the Democrats are promoting a \$4 Trillion tax increase and economy-crushing policies like the Green New Deal, which even calls for the end of the internal combustion engine.

I am running for Congress because I believe we need to stand up for our western Minnesota values and way of life. I want to make sure we have strong rural communities where we can raise our families, and our children and grandchildren can stay and thrive.

Economy: How do you grade the federal government's response to the pandemic? Are additional measures necessary to spur the economy? If so, what?

I think President Trump acted swiftly to shut down international travel and make sure emergency supplies were available where states had problems. The economic measures have helped to stabilize and start to revive the economy. Some states including Minnesota need to move to reopen as quickly as possible. Many of the shutdown policies are enacted at the state and local levels.

The House Democrats led by Nancy Pelosi passed a liberal wish list bill called the HEROES act that was a non-starter for honest negotiations with the Senate and the President. It was partisan legislation that was filled with things like a halt to deportations of illegal immigrants and giving them stimulus checks, a release of prisoners, money for Planned Parenthood, handouts to arts and humanities, and even environmental justice grants. Instead we need a bill that supports those harmed by the shutdowns, gets people back to work, and addresses major problems, like the shutdowns and slowdowns of meat packing plants.

Police reform: Police reform has become center stage since the George Floyd death and has prompted calls for legislative action at all levels of government. What actions do you support at the federal level?

Law enforcement agencies should always be evaluating how they manage and train their officers and deputies. But any reform should be done by working with law enforcement not against it.

These pushes to defund, dismantle, or abolish the police

are extremely dangerous and counter productive. Law enforcement needs and deserves our support, not the attacks they are currently enduring.

Foreign affairs: How do you grade President Trump's foreign policy record? Which of his initiatives do you support, and which do you oppose? Be specific.

President Trump has pursued a peace through strength model that is working and that I support. He has strengthened our defenses and created an increase in stability around the globe. We exited the failed Iran deal that gave U.S. taxpayer dollars to the regime in Iran under the Obama administration. The rapid defeat of the Islamic State / ISIS terrorist organization was a great accomplishment. The new progress on Middle East peace with Israel and the United Arab Emirates is very positive. The new peace deal negotiated between Serbia and Kosovo in the Balkans is also a big victory for administration.

President Trump is taking a strong stand against China. The Communist government of China has proved time and again to not be an honest actor. They acted very irresponsibly with the Coronavirus outbreak, which did great damage to lives and economies around the world. They have been cheating in trade and intellectual property for decades. They have been committing atrocities in Xinjiang against the Uighur people. They have been ruthlessly suppressing the democratic rights of the people of Hong Kong and increasingly threatening their neighbors like India and Taiwan.

Health care: Do you support the expansion of Association Health Plans?

Yes, the progress already made with associated health plans has been a positive development. Anything we can do to encourage health insurance coverage at more affordable prices is something to support.

Education: COVID-19 has had a profound effect on the demands for and delivery of education. What role should the federal government play in ensuring that U.S. graduates can compete in the global economy?

Starting with K-12, we should do more to encourage STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) subjects. We should make sure that students understand the full range of options available to them in high school as they prepare for life after graduation. I believe we can do a great deal to strengthen and support our trade and community colleges. We should encourage the private sector to get even more involved with the development of programs to prepare and equip our next generation for the workplace. I am passionate about having high quality schools in rural Minnesota so people who grow up here can continue to live here and don't have to leave for an education.

Energy: Is the United States doing enough to reduce carbon emissions? What can the federal government do to promote homegrown energy?

The United States continues to reduce our carbon emissions. We are finally energy independent again for the first time in 50 years. This is a positive development that should be supported. We can do

that by continuing responsible extraction and transportation of energy resources. Efforts to enact things like the Green New Deal that call for an end to the combustion engine will crush our economy, lead to blackouts, and wipe out the ethanol industry, which hurts our farmers. I will strongly oppose these efforts.

Transportation: What role should the federal government play in funding state and local transportation infrastructure? Be specific.

Recent legislation has directed more federal transportation dollars as block grants to state and local agencies to make the decisions. I believe that decisions are generally best made locally when it comes to infrastructure. When there is federal decision making, we should ensure there is a competitive process or a critical access component, and that consideration is given to not only passenger travel, but commercial transportation also. I will always fight for western Minnesota when it comes to infrastructure needs.

Immigration: Immigration reform continues to languish at the federal level. What should be the principles of any legislation?

First and foremost, border security and law enforcement must be top of the list. We should always make sure the needs of the United States citizens are put first.

Foreign trade: Do you support the president's actions on international trade? Long term, will they help or hurt the U.S. economy?

The USMCA trade agreement was a major success and accomplishment for President Trump.

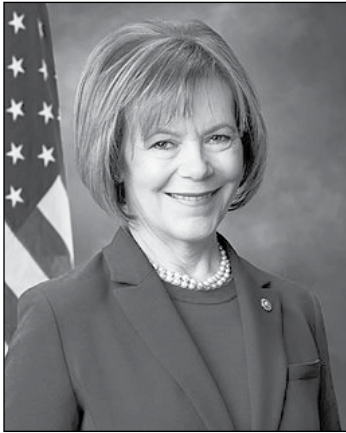
Taking on China is never going to be easy, but I think it is necessary. We have to make sure that the American farmer is protected from attacks by China in disputes. We have to make sure to maximize trade with ally nations that share our concerns about China, like Japan, Vietnam, Australia, South Korea, and the United Kingdom.

Other issues: Are there other issues you want to address?

I think it is important to always be standing up for the unborn. I am endorsed by every major prolife group and have a lifetime 100% pro-life rating. I always fought for life in the Minnesota Senate and will always fight for life in the United States Congress.

Briefly summarize your personal background and qualifications.

Michelle Fischbach is the Trump and Republican endorsed congressional candidate in western Minnesota's 7th District. She is a trailblazer and proven conservative leader. She served as the 49th Lieutenant Governor of Minnesota, ascending to that position following the resignation of her predecessor. She was the first woman in Minnesota history to serve as President of the Minnesota Senate – initially from 2011-12, then again from 2017-18. She also served as Chairman of the Senate Higher Education Committee. She holds a B.A. from St. Cloud State University and a J.D. from William Mitchell College of Law. She and her husband, Scott, live in the Paynesville area and have two grown children and five grandchildren.



Tina Smith

Top priority: If elected, what is your top priority for the 2021 Congress? Why are you running for office?

- I am running for re-election to continue to fight for all Minnesotans. The rising cost of health care, especially prescription drugs, is the number one issue that I hear about from Minnesotans, which is why the first thing I did when I arrived in the Senate was take on the big pharmaceutical companies. And it's why I passed into law my bipartisan bill to help lower the cost of insulin.

But this year has been especially challenging. Between the coronavirus pandemic that has shaken the foundation of many Minnesota families and businesses, and the murder of George Floyd right here in

Minnesota, we have so much more work to do to build back better and to address the systemic racism in our society.

Economy: How do you grade the federal government's response to the pandemic? Are additional measures necessary to spur the economy? If so, what?

- In the Senate, I helped pass the CARES Act, a \$2.2 trillion stimulus bill that included \$1,200 per adult/\$500 per child in direct cash payments to individual Americans, enhanced unemployment benefits, the creation of the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). The package also included nearly \$340 billion in aid to state and local governments, billions to hospitals and our health care systems, and several other key provisions that helped address the fallout of the economic shutdown.

But more must be done. It's time for Mitch McConnell to quit blocking additional relief and bring up the House-passed HEROES Act for a vote. This would include more direct assistance to individual Americans, businesses, and state and local governments, as well as much-needed aid for the Postal Service.

Police reform: Police reform has become center stage since the George Floyd death and has prompted

their prescriptions due to the astronomical price tags of many life-saving medications. This should be unheard of in America. I have a track record of working across the aisle, and one example of this is my bipartisan law that helps lower the price of insulin and brings low-cost insulin products to market.

Education: COVID-19 has had a profound effect on the demands for and delivery of education.

What role should the federal government play in ensuring that U.S. graduates can compete in the global economy?

- We must continue to pass legislation and provide relief to individuals and businesses, ensure accessible COVID-19 testing to keep workplaces safe, and work across the aisle to make sure we build back better than before. Graduates are now in the unique position of job searching in a pandemic, and it is on us to ensure that businesses get the support they need to continue to hire and grow our economy.

Energy: Is the United States doing enough to reduce carbon emissions? What can the federal government do to promote homegrown energy?

- We are at an inflection point and the science is clear:

we must make big and bold steps to address the climate crisis immediately. I believe the U.S. must be a leader in this fight.

In the Senate, I wrote legislation to create a federal clean energy standard and set us up to achieve net-zero emissions from the electric sector by 2050. We must continue to support bills like this to ensure that our grandchildren have a safe planet to live on. I've also fought to protect Lake Superior from cuts to the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, I've pushed back on the Trump Administration's reckless repeal of environmental protections.

Transportation: What role should the federal government play in funding state and local transportation infrastructure? Be specific.

- I support immediate investments at the federal level to rebuild our nation's crumbling roads, bridges, ports and harbors, schools, airports, and rural infrastructure. To this end, I've called on Majority Leader Mitch McConnell to allow a vote on the Moving Forward Act, which would dramatically increase funding to repair our roads; direct bil-

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lions to water projects, affordable housing, broadband, and schools; and upgrade hospitals and Postal Service trucks.

Immigration: Immigration reform continues to languish at the federal level. What should be the principles of any legislation?

- Our immigration system is broken and in desperate need of reform. It's long past time we enact comprehensive immigration reform that provides permanent solutions and reflects the values of our nation, like a clear pathway to citizenship and reasonable measures to secure the border.

Over the past year and a half, I've worked on several pieces of legislation with those goals in mind. For example, I successfully secured passage of a law, which I helped write, to provide thousands of Liberian immigrants with a pathway to citizenship so they would no longer need to depend on the President to renew their Deferred Enforced Departure (DED) status every few months or years.

I will continue to fight back against the harmful policies of the Trump Administration like family separation and detaining children in cages.

Foreign trade: Do you support the president's actions on international trade? Long term, will they help or hurt the U.S.

economy?

- We need fair trade policies that help workers, businesses, and farmers in Minnesota.

That means standing up to countries like China when they violate international trade rules, but President Trump's trade wars lack any apparent strategy and have resulted in chaos and uncertainty for Minnesota's ag producers instead of the stability that they need.

I successfully pushed for improvements to the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA), including tougher worker protections and measures to improve our trading relationships and protect Minnesota farmers--especially dairy farmers. We must take a more thoughtful approach to trade policy than that of the current administration.

Other issues: Are there other issues you want to address?

Briefly summarize your personal background and qualifications.

I am proud of the work I've done before being elected to the Senate. I moved to Minnesota and started my own business, became a leader at Planned Parenthood, Chief of Staff for the Mayor of Minneapolis, and then Chief of Staff for Governor Mark Dayton. After serving as Chief of Staff, I was elected Lieutenant Governor alongside Governor Dayton. Together, we balanced the state budget, expanded investments in education, raised

Minnesota's minimum wage, expanded family medical leave for state employees, invested in agricultural research, passed marriage equality in Minnesota, and much more.

As Senator, I have a track record of working across the aisle to get things done, like helping pass the bipartisan Farm Bill, securing free COVID-19 diagnostic testing, and ensuring rural cooperatives can continue efforts to expand broadband. I am running for re-election to continue working across the aisle to get things done for all Minnesotans.

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Sturgeon Bay writer tells of father's WWII heroism

Joe Tachovsky's father Frank mentioned being in World War II when he was still alive, but it wasn't until his death that Joe learned the real truth – the hard, brutal and bloody truth.

When Joe discovered that truth in a box of his father's World War II mementoes, he was inspired to learn more. He found that his father had led a platoon of 40 elite Marines behind Japanese lines to help take the island of Saipan in one of the war's bloodiest battles.

In 40 Thieves on Saipan, Tachovsky brings to life the antics and humor, horror and herosim of his father, Lt. Frank Tachovsky, later retiring as colonel, and his men who spearheaded the invasion of Saipan June 15, 1944. Tachovsky sought out his father's former Marines and, after contacting Bob Smotts, Roscoe Mullins, Bill Knuppel and Marvin Strombo, found a wealth of information for this no-holds-barred memoir.

Tachovsky and Kraack were able to tap into the poignancy of his father's Marines, showing their human side as well as their unselfish performance in battle, many making the ultimate sacrifice. Tachovsky tells how his father's 'thieves'

liberated alcohol from Navy stores, stole a captain's jeep and acquired chickens and pigs for an impromptu barbeque.

Even more remarkable is how Don Evans recruited talked Army buddies, Norman Duley and Tom Arello, into leaving their unit and going aboard their ship to fight in

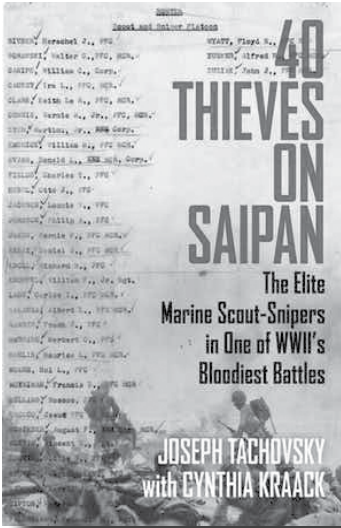
Saipan. After Arello and Evans were tragically killed while on the same patrol, Lt. Tachovsky wrote a letter for Duley who had to return to his Army unit. Lt. Tachovsky lauded Duley's heroism, both as a soldier and a Marine.

While the numbers speak for themselves – 4,000 Japanese civilians dead by suicide or killed by their own army, 300 Japanese soldiers surviving from a force of 30,000 and 3,000 American dead and more than 13,000 wounded – it's the Marines' personal stories of valor and sacrifice that make the book.

That makes 40 Thieves on Saipan far more than a history. It's a testament to the Marines who fought behind enemy lines to make way for the main force. The book also brings to life the Marines who took part.

Many books have been written about World War II. But few are able to bring to life those who fought it. Tachovsky and Kraack do just that – grippingly and poignantly. They have taken the war memoir to a whole new level.

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Jason Lewis

Top priority: If elected, what is your top priority for the 2021 Congress? Why are you running for office?

Every year, politicians of both parties come to you and say "this is the most important election of our lifetime." I'm running for the United States Senate because 2020 truly is the most important. This election has become a referendum on our American values and way of life. When a mainstream political party and its standard bearers are pushing to defund the police, it's safe to say that something is dangerously wrong and Minnesotans need a voice who will stand up and fight for them and protect them. Not only will I fund the police and punish those who don't, I stand in favor of putting Minnesota and American jobs first, at the expense of globalist policies of the past (like NAFTA) that shipped jobs overseas and hurt our farmers. We must hold China accountable for exporting the Coronavirus and ensure American corporations stop outsourcing jobs there. I will also protect the tax cuts I helped enact in the 115th Congress. We must also protect our Constitution and appoint and confirm jurists to our federal courts who will protect the freedom of speech and assembly, the 2nd Amendment, and protect against radicals who support late term and even post birth abortion.

Economy: How do you grade the federal government's response to the pandemic? Are additional measures necessary to spur the economy? If so, what?

Between the China travel ban (which Democrats opposed and decried as xenophobic) and actions taken to shore up medical supplies and resources to "flatten the curve," the Administration's approach has proven effective. Having seen a drastic reduction in cases and mortality rates, it's time to fully reopen our economy.

I was all in on "15 days to slow the spread" and its initial extension so that our health care infrastructure could shore up and "flatten the curve." I have been proposing since April that we lift once and for all this economic lockdown that has plagued and derailed what had previously been the best economy on record, thanks to the tax cuts I helped pass in Congress. Americans indeed need more relief from the fallout surrounding COVID and the lockdown, such as SBA loan forgiveness which I support and my opponent opposes, based on her latest "NO" vote on COVID relief bills.

Police reform: Police reform has become center stage since the George Floyd death and has prompted calls for legislative action at all levels of government. What actions do you support at the federal level?

I know firsthand from marrying a St. Paul police officer that nobody dislikes a bad cop more than a good cop. But to paint with a broad brush and label an entire profession as "rotten to the root" as Ilhan Omar did (who my opponent enthusiastically endorsed), is not only wrong, it's dangerous. Bad cops must be held accountable--that's why I spoke out in favor of Senator Tim Scott's and Congressman Pete Stauber's reform bill, the "JUSTICE Act" while Senator Tina Smith voted against it. But we owe it to the men and women who risk their lives to keep us safe, to stand behind them and support them, and I do. That's why I'm proud to have been endorsed by the Minnesota Fraternal Order of Police and the Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association.

Foreign affairs: How do you grade President Trump's foreign policy record? Which of his initiatives do you support, and which do you oppose? Be specific.

The Trump Doctrine of "America First" is precisely what the American people have been looking for in the post-Cold War era. We protect our allies abroad while disentangling our nation from foreign conflicts that have no direct national security threat to the United States. Trump won in large part by running against globalism and nation building. He has fulfilled that promise and I support that.

It's the difference between a republic and an empire.

Health care: Do you support the expansion of Association Health Plans?

I support Association Health Plans which enable small businesses and the self-employed to compete with larger groups by forming their own pools. I also am proud of my efforts in Congress to reform ACA and lower premiums, deductibles, and drug costs.

We now have two competing visions of what direction health care in America should take. A market-based system of private medicine with a safety net, or a heedless slide into a single-payer government run system.

Democrats now insist the only way to fix the skyrocketing premiums and deductibles that have been foisted upon us by Obamacare (which conservatives like me warned would happen) is to embrace a single payer style healthcare system such as "Medicare For All." Plans such as those supported by my opponent Tina Smith could force up to 50 rural Minnesota hospitals to close.

Let's you believe that more government is the answer to the issue of healthcare, ask Canada and Europe how their care rationing and months-long waiting lists are working out for their citizens.

Education: COVID-19 has had a profound effect on the demands for and delivery of education. What role should the federal government play in ensuring that U.S. graduates can compete in the global economy?

We are leaving an entire generation of kids behind as we continue to keep millions of them out of school with this never-ending, one size fits all lockdown. It's imperative that we get our kids back in school safely, and I would fight for that as U.S. Senator. On the other hand, my opponent Tina Smith has blocked COVID relief bills three times. The most recent iteration of COVID relief that she blocked in the Senate contained money to help get kids safely back in school.

Energy: Is the United States doing enough to reduce carbon emissions? What can the federal government do to promote homegrown energy?

Under President Trump, for the first time, the United States of America is a net energy exporter. In order to promote homegrown energy, we need only continue the pro-growth, pro-energy policies promoted by the President and myself when I served in the 115th Congress. I would hate to see this progress reversed because we gave in to the short-sighted whims of radicals pushing proposals like the Green New Deal. I don't believe in hamstringing our economy and putting us at a competitive disadvantage relative to other nations who have no intention of meaningfully reducing emissions.

That's not to say our nation's energy policy should be heedless of concern pertaining to emissions and the environment. We need to continue to foster the surge we've seen in clean fracking. I have been a vocal and forceful advocate for the Enbridge Line 3 replacement pipeline which would create 8,600 jobs in Minnesota and generate more than \$19 million dollars in local property tax revenue. And yet, Minnesota Democrats throw hurdle after hurdle in its way, which is surprising considering the pipeline is so old and dilapidated that it can only operate at 50% capacity.

Protecting our land, water, and air and supporting our job creators and businesses are not mutually exclusive. Take the Minnesota Iron Range for example. Some of the strongest environmentalists I know are also some of the most vocal proponents of new copper and nickel mining. We must lend more trust to businesses and individuals to be good stewards of the land.

Transportation: What role should the federal government play in funding state and local transportation infrastructure? Be specific.

After serving on the House Infrastructure Committee in the 115th Congress, I understand we need to rebuild our infrastructure, especially the Highway Trust Fund. We also must do it in a way that is fiscally responsible, cutting unnecessary expenditures (such as massive light rail projects) across the country and implementing programs such as an Asset Recycling Fund, which could deliver upwards of \$1 trillion of new infrastructure at a fraction of the cost. Under a program like this, with initial funding of just \$100 billion, the federal government could incentivize state and local governments to sell off or lease underperforming assets by offering a bonus to any

unit of government on a first come, first serve basis. The only condition: all revenue from the sale or lease of government property must be used to build new infrastructure, whether roads, sewers or bridges.

Immigration: Immigration reform continues to languish at the federal level. What should be the principles of any legislation?

As Jack Kemp once said, we have to close the back door of illegal immigration to open the front door of legal immigration. And that's why I supported the two Goodlatte bills which fixed the DREAMer situation once and for all, the Flores consent decree, and expanded work visas in exchange for controlling immigration. I also support finishing the wall.

Foreign trade: Do you support the president's actions on international trade? Long term, will they help or hurt the U.S. economy?

Whether it's China Phase 1 or the USMCA, I was proud to work with the President in Congress on scrapping decades-old bad trade deals that hollowed out the middle class, hurt our farmers, and all but destroyed American manufacturing. Democrats like my opponent needlessly delayed the USMCA's passage, and sadly Minnesota's middle class families, manufacturers and farmers are paying the price.

Other issues: Are there other issues you want to address?

I still believe there is far more good about America than bad. I believe there is no challenge the United States of America can not meet and face while still holding true to our values and principles.

Senator Smith on the other hand sides with the radical defund the police movement and says the role that police play in society is "dangerously wrong." She would sooner throw her lot in with the Green New Dealers than stand in support of new logging, pipelines, and safe/responsible mines in the Northland. I helped President Trump cut taxes and regulations, Tina stands with Joe Biden and Kamala Harris who have pledged to increase our taxes by \$4 trillion dollars. I have fought for fairer trade deals that will help our farmers and manufacturers. I will also get tough on China, while Senator Smith continues to raise campaign money from corporations that outsource jobs there. I support confirming judges who believe in life, the Second Amendment, and protecting freedom of speech. Senator Smith does not.

Briefly summarize your personal background and qualifications.

Senator Smith and I come from very different backgrounds and walks of life. I spent a lot of my early years working for the family business. We owned a machine shop and I spent a lot of time on the road selling automotive aftermarket parts. When my dad retired I took over the family business, later going into broadcasting and enjoying a long and successful career as a radio host discussing public affairs and hearing folks' concerns each and every day.

Senator Smith has spent her career as a corporate executive, a former Vice President of Planned Parenthood, and has been a politician for the last 14 years. I believe I have more real world experience and therefore a better perspective with which to help govern than Tina Smith does.

If we are to use the metric of bills passed by Congress and signed into law by the President, the 115th Congress, of which I was a part, was one of the most productive sessions of Congress in our nation's history. I was proud to have helped pass historic tax cuts through the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, I authored and sponsored landmark bipartisan juvenile justice reform, and I co-sponsored and passed a bill providing historic levels of support to Career and Technical Education. Too many young folks (and their parents) are going into debt to fund four year degrees that sometimes provide little utility. Growing the middle class means we need to provide more resources and encourage people to go into farming and the trades, and ensure they are able to thrive doing so.

As a husband and the loving father of two daughters who are now all grown up and out of the house, I want to be a force for order and for good in the midst of all the chaos and turmoil that is unfolding in our state and country. I believe that starts with immediately confirming a new Supreme Court justice. I want to leave Minnesota and the United States a better state and nation than I found it, for your kids and grandkids and mine. I would be honored to have your support.

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Oklee Herald Early Files

Eighty Years Ago

October 17, 1940

Local officials and WPA representatives will gather tonight at Oklee to dedicate the new Junior-Senior High School built by WPA and sponsored by the school board.

Gunder Carlson, 47 of Wan-ke was killed and Andor Thorpe of Oklee critically injured in an automobile accident that occurred nine miles north of town about 3 a.m.

A considerable number of people from near and far attended the bazaar in the St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church here Sunday.

Miss Generva Nyland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lars Nyland of Gully and Alvin Brovold of McIntosh were married at the parsonage at Gully, Monday evening.

A number of young friends held a surprise party on Marion Gunvaldson Saturday. The group went for a hike and picnic and presented Marion with a fine gift.

Seventy Years Ago

October 19, 1950

Playing on a wet, soggy field, a highly keyed Goodridge team played football for one quarter and then watched the more experienced Bobcats take command of the game, winning with a score of 32-19.

Pfc. Lyle Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Nelson of Oklee, has been awarded the Purple Heart medal for wounds received in action in Korea Sept. 25th. He is hospitalized in Tokyo, Japan, with leg, side, arm and head wounds, but his condition is said to be good.

Another Korea war casualty from this community, Pfc. Stephen Lambert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Art Lambert, has been returned to the states and is hospitalized in Texas.

Paul Nistler returned last week from Anchorage, Alaska, where he has been employed. He is awaiting order to enter the armed forces.

Sixty Years Ago

October 20, 1960

The Homecoming Queen was Shirley Woods from the senior class. The attended from the junior class was Helga Kvasager and from the sophomore class was LaVonne Fossum. The Homecoming game was against Plummer with a 21-0 victory.

The Rebecca Circle of the Immanuel Lutheran Church was hostesses for a bridal shower for Miss Phyllis Mikelby at the Church.

A birthday party was held at the Floyd Hesse home for their daughter, Diane on Thursday.

The Pleasant View School will hold its carnival on October 26th. There will be a short program followed by bingo, lunch

cake walk, fish pond, etc. Mrs. Arlan Koskela is the teacher.

The St. Gertrudes Church of Rhoda annual bazaar and supper were held at the J.L. Radniecki home.

Caroline Hofstad visited with Arlene Gunderson and Marie Burman on Sunday.

Three cars took the children and their teachers (Trail school) to visit the museum and places of interest in Bagley on Thursday. They received treats at various places and had picnic dinner at the park.

Fifty Years Ago

October 22, 1970

Up Lambert Street in Oklee Friday came a house on wheels, moved here from Erskine by Virgil Nelson. Mr. Nelson has previously built a basement and foundation on which the building was to be set this week.

Earl Swenson, president of Arcady Inn, Inc. has announced an open house on Saturday at the new establishment. The inn is remodeled from the old Corner Café which is joined with the old post office building with a new front joining the two buildings and a remodeled interior.

Oklee Boy Scouts will leave for a weekend camp out at Blakely Lake in the Zerkel area some 30 miles south of Bagley. They will camp out in pup tents and cook over a camp fire. Hikes, animal tracking and projects are also planned.

Robert Cardinal and Roxanne Hanson were chosen King and Queen at Homecoming in Plummer on Friday evening.

A new front of decorative yellow and rust colored metal is being completed on the Plummer State Bank this week. A new sign will be installed in the top area of the front. A major remodeling project is underway which will include lowering the ceiling inside, new lighting and panel walls.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Vigstol of Red Lake Falls are the proud parents of a baby girl born Thursday evening.

Forty Years Ago

October 23, 1980

Delton Sebenaler poured the last milk can into the machine last week, October 15th. This ended the 70 year era of the milk can at Oklee Creamery.

On October 19th, 1980, a Dedication Service at Zion Lutheran Church rang with praises to God Almighty for all his goodness and graces to all. Special music was offered by the Zionettes, Local Lay persons gave Scripture readings, Bishop Cecil Johnson gave us all something to think about.

The Bobcat Girls will travel to Gonvick for their last game of the regular season. The District 30 Tournament will start next

week and with Oklee getting a buy in the first round.

Heidi Paradis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Paradis, celebrated her 4th birthday on October 7th.

October birthday's at the Senior Site were Rose Beaudoin, Dore Boucher, Marie Collette, Amedie Champagne, Isabelle Erickson, and Marie Mayernik.

Thirty Years Ago

October 24, 1990

Traveling with Ruth lead her and Ivy to LaMoure, North Dakota with many sites of interest on their way.

The Oklee 7th & 8th grade football team concluded their season with a perfect 8-0 record. The young Bobcats achieved their record by having a consistent offense and a very stingy defense.

A large crowd of friends and relatives attended the Golden Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hanson at Nazareth Lutheran Church on Sunday.

Apparently no one filed for offices for the City of Oklee election as the headlines read, "Write-in candidates for Oklee Council." Listed for council seats is Ilene Bergerson and Rene Hofstad. And for Mayor Roy Rystad.

Twenty Years Ago

October 19, 2000

The 2000 Red Lake County Central Oklee Mustang Homecoming Court included Queen Ashley Gunderson, King Adam Stonehouse, Jessica Spong, Chris Nelson, Cindy Lambert, Cole Mickelson, Lindsay Vetteson, Seth Fore Amber Agnes, Jonathan Magnell.

The RLCC Mustang Football Cheerleaders were Jessi Dessellier, Becky Brekkestran, Sarah Dahlquist, Jennifer McMullen, Kelsey Rewertz and Tiffanie Malwitz.

On their way to the Host-fest in Minot, ND, a group of 70 Norwegians from the Valle community of Norway arrived in the USA in early October. They came to tour the northern area of Minnesota and areas along Highway 2, where relatives of the Setesdahlen people of Norway had settled.

Ten Years Ago

October 20, 2010

Sometime on Friday afternoon, the Oklee Car Wash was vandalized by unknown person(s). They damaged the coin machine and the meter box that operates the car wash.

The Red Lake County Rebels beat the Bagley Flyers Friday at their Homecoming game on October 8th in Plummer with a score of 5-1.

As part of the RLCC Homecoming week activities was the Student Senate selling duct tape to tape Mr. Paskvan to the wall. It was a good fund raiser.



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Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteers Jo Lambert & Bonny Cote

News coming into the Senior Site in the past week is that Bonnie Jensen's sister in Wisconsin has passed away, and on Saturday, Milo Sandeen was laid to rest. Our sympathy goes out to both families.

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

Your ribs move about 5 million times a year, every time you breathe.

During your lifetime, you'll eat about 60,000 pounds of food. That's the weight of about 6 elephants.

Joke Time

STINGY OLD LAWYER

Why God Invent Lawyers Sign-A stingy old lawyer who had been diagnosed with a terminal illness was determined to prove wrong the old saying,

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe
218-465-4402

Mark and Jana Granum came Tuesday, a week ago to Jim & Debbie DuChamp's and also visited Bunny DuChamp. They planned to leave for Florida the next week.

Diane DeHate, of Coon Rapids, came Thursday evening to her mom Anna DeHate's.

Friday evening, Diane and Anna DeHate, Anne Traxler, and Alice Jobe enjoyed a fish supper from St. Bernard's. It was takeout and they were busy.

Sunday, Anna and Diane DeHate were dinner guests of Marty and Linda Hogenson.

On October 10th, Charlie Bernstrom of Lancaster, won the pumpkin contest for Minnesota with a pumpkin weighing 1990 lbs. The contest was held at Stillwater. A guy from Louisiana bought the pumpkin. He will use it for

Halloween decoration in front of his restaurant. Congratulations to Charlie. He is the son-in-law of Tony and Sheila Gerardy. Tony said Charlie was trying to do a 2000 lbs., but didn't make it.

On Monday morning, October 12, Brock Tvedt was crowned Homecoming King at Oklee School. His grandma Karen Tvedt attended.

Wednesday evening, the Homecoming game was held at the Plummer football field. They played PCW Grand Forks. Grand Forks won 3-12. At half time, Homecoming King Brock Tvedt and Queen Kia Bachand rode around the football field. Congratulations to both of them.

Plummer Senior Citizens met at 2 p.m. on Thursday. Betty Halvorsen came with grandsons – Twins – Nick &

Caiden. Everyone enjoyed playing a game and lunch followed.

On the radio, there was a story about two brothers who hadn't seen each other in 60 years. One lived in Ohio and the other, New York. They thought they'd never see each other again. The daughter of one of the men got to work and located the brother. They were like 6 & 8 when separated. No other information was given.

The cold weather has sure set in. We were rather spoiled this year for October. They predict snow for Saturday.

The robins are still here as of today. But they may leave any minute.

Tuesday, while at the Walmart parking lot, about 50 or 60 geese flew over. They were going north and west. They were in small groups. Fun to see.

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

October brings surprises from year to year. Sometimes we have those golden October days, others we have a cold October. It looks like this one is the cold year. It has been cold and not too conducive to much outdoor activity. Sometimes when the wind blows it is just wicked outside. I would hate to have to be working outside this year, you never know when you get up, what it is like to work all day. This week it looks like the temperatures will be in the thirties all week.

Everyone is gearing up for the election. Some places are just mailing in their votes. Our township is doing that. So the "I voted" stickers are being worn by a lot of folks. It is the easiest way to go. Some places have early voting, and that is easy as well, because you can go to vote on your own time and have time to wait in line. Those who wait and vote on Election Day will probably have an easier time this year because so many are voting early. Let's hope things even out for all of us.

I remember when Nixon was running, my Mother went to vote. Her vote was challenged. She was an immigrant 60 years before, but when her vote was challenged she needed to go home and get her papers proving she was a citizen. By the time she was able to get back to the polling place it was too late for her to vote. She was livid. She voted every year before and took that vote seriously. For this guy to question her vote now was a slap in the face. That guy was her mortal enemy after that and she made sure he was never able to best her again. She was upset for years after and hated it that she didn't get a chance to vote that year. The vote was sacred to her.

The virus is surging in many areas. I guess my keeping close to home isn't such a bad idea. Our niece and nephew were tested positive and quarantined for a while but they are young so haven't had bad symptoms. It is the older generations that have underlying conditions like diabetes, or heart, or cancer problems who are having the real problems with the virus.

I have severe COPD and am trying to keep away from any exposure to the virus. I wear a mask whenever I go out and about to the store or bank or drug store or church. I respect my life but sure wish others would respect my life no matter what kind of death wish they have. I wear my mask because I was taught "do unto others as you would have them do unto you". When did that go out of fashion?

I do miss my family too. They have stayed at home much like we do, and it makes for empty arms but it is only for a little while, until a vaccine comes around. There is the saying

"This too will pass" and being a patient person, I wait. Reckless behavior isn't my thing these days.

I hope you have a great week, and that you keep safe. We need each other and we don't want to lose you.

Wear a mask.



Who's Dat?



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This weeks photo is from Omar Sundrud's files. It was a special day at school. Do you remember what the event was?

Last week's photo was Jessi Dessellier. She lives in Oklee and is involved in Oklee Market Day.

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.

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

will scan your photo while you wait.

