

Oklee Precipitation

By Einar Kvasager

	Rain	Snow
Oct. 25		Trace
Oct. 27		Trace
Oct. 28		0.25
Oct. 29		Trace
Oct. 30		Trace
Total	0.00	0.25

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...AND CONTINUING THE PLUMMER PIONEER

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The New Science teacher at RLCCHS is Mr. Paul Nelson



By Leilah Van Dam and Shyla Styles

Mr. Paul Nelson is the new science teacher at Red Lake County Central High School. He lives near Clearbrook, MN with his wife, Rachel who works as a DCD para. They have two sons Ty and Levi.

Mr. Nelson has brought great enthusiasm into the building and when asked why he decided to become a teacher he said, "Sometimes when you find out your gifts, you can find out what suits you and what charges you. What I mean by charging you is, when what you are doing doesn't drain you but energizes you. That's the trick, find what charges you! Granted you will have good days and bad days, in whatever you do."

Mr. Nelson attended the University of Minnesota, in Crookston. Later, he transferred to

Bemidji State University. GO BEAVERS!!!!!!

He jokingly says his favorite hobby is "TORMENTING STUDENTS with quizzes, tests, and taking away their cell phones!" However, he enjoys sports, hunting, fishing, and placing concrete.

Mr. Nelson has subbed in both Bagley and Clearbrook Convent schools with some long term positions between both schools.

Mr. Nelson has many thoughts on the meaning of what it means to be a good teacher. He says that there are so many patterns and behaviors that are modeled and learned in school besides the curriculum. Students need to be taught how to be prepared, how to be kind, how to go the extra mile, and many other life lessons. He emphasized, "As a former business owner and a foreman, I see these things translate into the workforce. Especially, not being on time or prepared!"

His advice to students is to take the little things seriously and to be faithful with good learning habits. He added, "Trust me it makes a huge difference, especially when it comes to paying increases or keeping a job."

To be successful in Mr. Nelson's class, students need to be prepared for class, get their work done, own their mistakes, learn from them, correct them, and move forward! Students come with a positive attitude, come willing to learn, to give him their best!!

Mr. Nelson added, "To be honest, every student should want to succeed in every class! That is part of being faithful with the small things. I look at success a bit different, don't get me wrong grades do matter, especially passing grades. But I view success down the road, I am not talking about how much money you will make in the future (although that helps a lot), what I am talking about, is how you treat others, are you kind courteous, are you respectful, are you being honest and faithful with the little things and the big things, trustworthy, are you looking out for others and are you real."



Free Meals for people in Need

In partnership with Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota, ICCC is distributing premade meals to individuals and families in our area.

Meals are individually portioned, sealed, and packaged in easy to carry reusable bags. Each person can receive up to five meals plus a snack at no cost.

There is no paperwork required.

ICCC will be distributing these meals on November 6, 2020.

If you are interested in reserving a bag for you or other households in need, please contact Catherine Johnson at 218-796-5144 ext. 1027. Bags that are reserved can be picked up at the Oklee Hall after 12:00p.m.

Bags can be delivered by local community volunteers upon request in town.

Bags that are not reserved will be distributed on a first come first serve basis starting at 12:00 pm at the Oklee Hall.

Lisa Sorenson, New Para at RLCCHS



By Zach Howard and Peyton Fish

Lisa Sorenson is a new paraprofessional at RLCCHS High School. Mrs. Sorenson is a mother of four and she has two grandchildren. Her husband, Marlan, is the transportation director, for RLCC. Mrs. Sorenson loves learning anything new, she feels the day just isn't complete if she hasn't learned something new. She also enjoys doing many different types of crafts, and reading.

Mrs. Sorenson graduated from Mentor Public High School and attended Northland Community College. She used to teach at Northland technical college in support services and the

customized training center.

When asked her thoughts on the students, she replied "they are such a great group of students and I'm thrilled to be part of their journey, for many of them I will have been a part of their education at RLCC from the beginning to the end". Mrs. Sorenson was asked what motivated her to become a teacher and she replied with "I enjoy education, sharing knowledge and enjoy helping people". Mrs. Sorenson says that for students to succeed in her class they should bring a good attitude to school every day. She says she will help students by helping them achieve the best they can be. She says at times that may require them stepping out of their comfort zone, but she will always be right next to them to help them achieve that success.

Medicare 2021 Updates – What Seniors Need to Know

The Dancing Sky Area Agency on Aging will be hosting several virtual events that will help people navigate Medicare changes in 2021. With Medicare Open Enrollment in full swing, understanding the changes before deciding on insurance and prescription options is important.

Medicare 2021 Updates will be held virtually and will be offered three times:

Tuesday, November 10 – 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Tuesday, November 24 – 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Thursday, December 10 – 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

To register for a class, go to www.dancingskyaaa.org and click on the "Find the dates/ Register." Class registration closes three days before events. If you need more information, contact the Senior LinkAge Line at 1-800-333-2433.

Medicare 2021 Updates will cover several topics, including:

- Introduction to the Senior LinkAge Line®
- Annual Medicare Plan

Changes for 2021

- Different Insurance Plan Types
- Medicare Part A Updates
- Medicare Part B Updates
- Medicare Part D Updates
- Medicare Advantage Plans (Part C)
- Expansion of Telehealth
- Medicare Plan Finder
- Medicare Fraud
- And...much more!

Medicare 2021 Updates classes are provided free of charge.



Emma Hendrickson, daughter of Richard and Jamie Hendrickson got this nice buck during the recent Youth Hunt.

Poppies Available on Veterans' Day

During the week of Veterans' Day, November 9-13, the American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 159, Oklee, will have poppies available at various businesses in Oklee. The poppies will be displayed at these businesses and available to the public. The "American Legion Family" creates the poppies and 100% of the donations benefit our veterans and military. Poppies are traditionally available on Memorial Day, but due to the coronavirus pandemic that distribution was postponed so the Oklee ALA Unit 159 wants to remember our veterans and military by making them available during the week of Veterans Day.

Veterans Day was originally established as Armistice Day on November 11, 1919 at the

end of WW I to honor fallen soldiers from WW I. In 1954 Memorial Day was established by Congress to celebrate all veterans. The proclamation making Veterans' Day at Federal holiday was signed by President Eisenhower in 1954. The American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 159 remembers and is grateful for all veterans. Don't forget to thank a veteran!



Calendar of Events

Wed, Nov. 4:

-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

Thu, Nov. 5:

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

Fri, Nov. 6:

-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.

Sat, Nov. 7:

-Support your local business – Shop Locally!

Sun, Nov. 8:

-Worship – check inside for church times and places.

Mon, Nov. 9:

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

Tue, Nov. 10:

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

Wed, Nov. 11:

-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

Numbers still rising in Pennington & Red Lake

Daily Inter-County Nursing Service Covid-19 updates:

November 1st:

There are 7 new cases to report in Pennington County, age range from 19-70's. It is with a heavy heart, we report the second COVID related death in Pennington County. The individual was in their 70's.

There are 3 new cases to report in Red Lake County, ages 30's - 50's.

October 31st:

There are 5 new cases to report in Pennington County, age range from 18-50's

There are 3 new cases to report in Red Lake County, a child and 2 in their 60's

October 30th:

There are 7 new cases to report in Pennington County, the individuals age range from 17 - 50's.

There is 1 new case to report in Red Lake County, the individual is in their 20's.

October 29th:

There are 10 new cases to report in Pennington County, the individuals age range from 18 - 70's.

There is 1 new case to report in Red Lake County, the individual is in their 20's.

October 28th:

There are 2 new cases to report in Pennington County, the individuals are in their

50's. An additional case has been hospitalized.

There is 1 new case to report in Red Lake County, the individual is in their 80's.

October 27th:

There are 12 new cases to report in Pennington County, the individuals age range from 20's to 80's.

There are 3 new cases to report in Red Lake County, the individuals are in their teens and 70's. One additional hospitalization was added. There was an error in yesterday's report of active cases for Red Lake County, it was supposed to be 9.

October 26th:

There are 4 new cases to report in Pennington County, the individuals are in their 80's, 70's and 20's. One is hospitalized.

There are no new cases to report in Red Lake County.

October 25th:

There are 7 new cases to report in Pennington County, the individuals age range from teens to 50's.

There is 1 new case to report in Red Lake County, the individual is in their 60's.



Statistics (11-2-20):

- 153,620 Positive Tests
 - 2,605,229 Complete Tests
 - 1,892,229 People tested
 - 132,125 Patients Who No Longer Need Isolation
 - 2,181 Total Deaths
 - 10,437 Total Hospitalized
- As of this printing - Total Confirmed Cases in surrounding Counties:
- Pennington County: 235
202 recovered cases
34 active case
14 hospitalization
2 death
 - Red Lake County: 90
71 recovered cases
5 active case
6 hospitalization
2 death
 - Marshall County: 187
 - Clearwater County: 155
 - Beltrami County: 1,016
 - Polk County: 836
(as of 10-29-2020)
325 active cases
14 hospitalizations
4 deaths



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

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Linda Molitor
Wed, Nov. 4: 7:00 p.m.
Salem WELCA. 7:00 p.m.
Confirmation at Zion.
Thu, Nov. 5: 4:00 p.m.
Bible Study.
Sun, Nov. 8: No In-Person
Services this week. Services
online.
Wed, Nov. 11: 7:00 p.m.
Confirmation at Zion.
Sermons are on GVTEL
Channel 35 (10 am Sunday & 2
pm Tuesday), also on Facebook
or YouTube.

**CATHOLIC PARISHES
OF OKLEE, GRYGLA &
GOODRIDGE**
Fr. Adam Hamness
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. St. 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**
ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, Nov. 8: 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, Nov. 4: 6:30 p.m.
Bethany. 7:30 p.m. Faith Par-
ish Council. Grade 6 Confirma-
tion (pre-recorded).
Sun, Nov. 8: 8:30 a.m.
Faith. 9:30 a.m. Facebook Live.
10:00 a.m. Faith Formation.
Wed, Nov. 11: 6:30 p.m.
Faith. 7:30 p.m. 7th Grade
Confirmation.

**CLEARWATER
LUTHERAN PARISH**
Mt. Olive - Nazareth
Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseth
Wed, Nov. 4: 5 p.m.
Wednesday School. 7:00 p.m.
OP Hunter's Service.
Sat, Nov. 7: Mt Olive: 9:00
a.m.

Sun, Nov. 8: 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.
Wed, Nov. 11: 5 p.m.
Wednesday School.

Find services and past ser-
mons at www.facebook.com/clearwaterlutheranparish

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg,
Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Nov. 4: 6:25 p.m.
AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth
Group.
Sun, Nov. 8: 9:30 a.m. Wor-
ship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, Nov. 10: 9:30 a.m.
Ladies Devotions. 10:00 a.m.
Quilting.
Wed, Nov. 11: 6:25 p.m.
AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth
Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson,
Lay Minister
Sun, Nov. 8: 9:00 a.m.
Lund. 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.
1:00 p.m. Confirmation
grades 8th at up.
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.

**NOTICE of Red Lake County CARES Act
"Small Business" Grant Application**

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

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

NOTICE: The second round of CARES Act Relief Funding has been extended. It is available to Red Lake County businesses. Funds can be applied for if the business can prove comparative losses between 2019 and 2020. First round applicants are encouraged to re-apply.

Grant applications will be reviewed by a committee comprised of County Officials on a weekly basis until the allotment of funds has been exhausted. **The deadline has been extended and applications are due by NOON Monday, November 9, 2020.**

CARES Business Application are also available at:
Red Lake County Auditor
124 Langevin Ave
PO Box 367
Red Lake Falls, MN 56750
For more information, contact Bob Schmitz, Red Lake County Auditor, at 218-253-2598.

**NOTICE of Red Lake County CARES Act
"Non-Profit Organization" Grant Application**

The program provides grants for the recovery, stabilization and mitigation related to the COVID-19 emergency. A non-profit is eligible for a grant of up to \$10,000.00 for qualified expenses.

Grant applications will be reviewed by a committee comprised of County Officials on a weekly basis until the allotment of funds has been exhausted. **The deadline for applications is NOON Monday, November 9, 2020.**

Non-Profit Small Business CARES application are available at:
Red Lake County Sheriff's Office
124 Main Ave N
PO Box 306
Red Lake Falls, MN 56750
For more information, contact Mitch Bernstein, Red Lake County Sheriff, at 218-253-2996 or mbernstein@sheriff.co-red-lake.mn.us.

**American Legion Aux.
Meeting Canceled**
American Legion Auxiliary meeting that was to be held on Tuesday November 10 at 4:00 at the hall **HAS BEEN CANCELED** due to Covid-19 infection rates increasing.



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**Oklee Senior
Site Dining**

November 9 - 13
No congregate meals served.
If you are over the age of 60 and you want a meal delivered to your home, call the Oklee Cafe 796-5666 the day before, to order a meal. A \$5.00 per meal donation is suggested.
Mon: Baked ham, parsley potatoes, carrots, bread, milk, and dessert.
Tue: ½ Grilled cheese sandwich, chili, cottage cheese, milk, and dessert.
Wed: Fish, hash browns, broccoli, bread, milk, and dessert.
Thu: Hamburger w/fried onions, French fries, mixed vegetables, milk, and dessert.
Fri: Pork loin, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, milk, and dessert.

**Red Lake County
Commissioners Minutes**

**RED LAKE COUNTY
Regular Meeting Held
October 13, 2020**
Pursuant to adjournment of its last meeting the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners held its regular board meeting on October 13, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Chairman Remick called the meeting to order. All Commissioners were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
County Assessor Michelle Nelson met with the board to inform that the MN Department of Revenue requires that all County Assessors throughout the state be re-appointed by their respective County Boards for 4-years with an effective date of January 1, 2021. Commissioner Simpson moved, seconded by Dudycha and carried by unanimous vote to approve Resolution No. 10-01-20 "Assessor Appointment" as follows:
WHEREAS, the County Assessor position is appointed and/or re-appointment every four (4) years;
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Red Lake County Board does hereby approve the re-appointment of Michelle Nelson for the term January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Red Lake County Board recommends that the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Revenue (DOR) confirm this re-appointment.
Commissioner Flage moved and seconded by Weiss to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held on September 22, 2020. The motion carried unanimously.
Commissioner Weiss moved, seconded by Flage and carried unanimously to approve the following expenditures for the period:

Vendor	Amount
ACME Tools	\$6,923.19
Clerk City of Red Lake Falls	122,550.00
Counties Providing Technology	4,210.00
Government Management Group	2,975.00
Moore Engineering, Inc.	22,319.62
Prowest & Associates, Inc.	2,685.00
Red Lake County Co-op	5,483.71
Roger's Two Way Radio	3,066.75
Seachange Printing	3,401.60
Ted's Dairy Service	3,435.85
Titan Machinery	6,336.94
Tri County Community Corrections	55,394.50
Triple D Construction	6,240.00
WSB & Associates, Inc.	5,343.50
52 Vendors less than \$2,000	24,472.47
TOTAL	\$274,838.13

The motion included the following additional bills: \$151.87 Eco-lab; \$350.00 Heppner Consulting; \$350.96 Quill; \$144.50 Reynolds, Harbott, Knutson, LLC; \$6,044.72 Seachange Printing; \$240.00 per diem to Allen Remick; \$119.60 expenses, \$285.00 per diem to John Dudycha; \$20.70 expenses, \$95.00 per diem to Ron Weiss.

Commissioner Simpson moved, seconded by Dudycha and carried unanimously to approve payment of \$38,410.00 to Northwest Electric for the Heating System/AC installation project at the Social Service Building.
Commissioner Remick presented a bill for his mileage and time monitoring the Heating System/AC installation project at the Social Service Building. Commissioner Dudycha moved, seconded by Weiss to approve payment of \$483.65 to Allen Remick. Voting aye: Commissioners Simpson, Weiss, Flage and Dudycha. Abstain: Commissioner Remick. Motion carried.
The following Commissioner/Committee reports were shared:
Commissioner Meeting/Report Simpson: -None.
Dudycha: -Inter County Community Council and CARES Committee meetings.
Weiss: -Meetings of NW Regional Development and Tri County Corrections.
Flage: -ITV meeting of the MN Rural Caucus.
Remick: -Red Lake County Affordable Housing and CARES Committee meetings.
Environmental Officer Kurt Casa-

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**Oklee Centennial Cookbook
Recipe Corner - From page 227**

Venison Round Steak
Gayle (Radniecki) Grossman

2 to 3 lbs round steak (venison, deer, antelope, elk or moose, beef also okay) 1 inch thick
2 Tbsp butter
3 Tbsp oil
3/4 cup flour
1 Tbsp season salt
1/2 medium onion chopped
1/2 cup catsup
1/4 cup brown sugar
2 Tbsp butter
basil
3/4 cup beef broth

Heat oven to 350 degrees, trim meat and cut into serving sizes. Pound steak to 1/2 inch thickness. In a large skillet melt butter and oil and mix flour and season salt. Coat steaks in flour mix and brown in skillet on both sides. Remove steaks to baking pan and sprinkle with chopped onions. Mix catsup and brown sugar and spoon over center of each steak. Dot each piece with butter and sprinkle with basil. Mix beef broth with drippings in pan and pour over steak in pan. Cover with foil and bake 45 minutes, remove cover and bake another 15 minutes or more. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Protect Yourself From Scams

Scammers are getting more sophisticated in their attempts to get your money or personal details. **Be alert and protect yourself from being scammed by following these tips.**

- Be alert to the fact that scams exist.
- Know who you're dealing with.
- Beware of any requests for personal info or money.
- Keep your personal details secure.
- Choose your passwords carefully.

**Security State Bank will be closed
Nov. 11th Veteran's Day**

Security STATE BANK
FDIC Phone 218-796-5157 PO Box 69 Oklee, MN 56742 O33C

Sudoku Solution

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

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MUSTANG STAMPEDE

RLCC Menus

November 9 - 13

Oklee

Monday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Variety of soups, meat sandwich, carrots & celery, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Pancake, sausage link, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Pork fritter, mashed potatoes w/butter, vegetable, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Waffle w/syrup, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hot Pocket, lettuce salad, carrots & celery, cottage cheese, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Rice hotdish, dinner roll, vegetables, string cheese or yogurt, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Subs (cold), chips, fresh vegetables, fruit, and milk.

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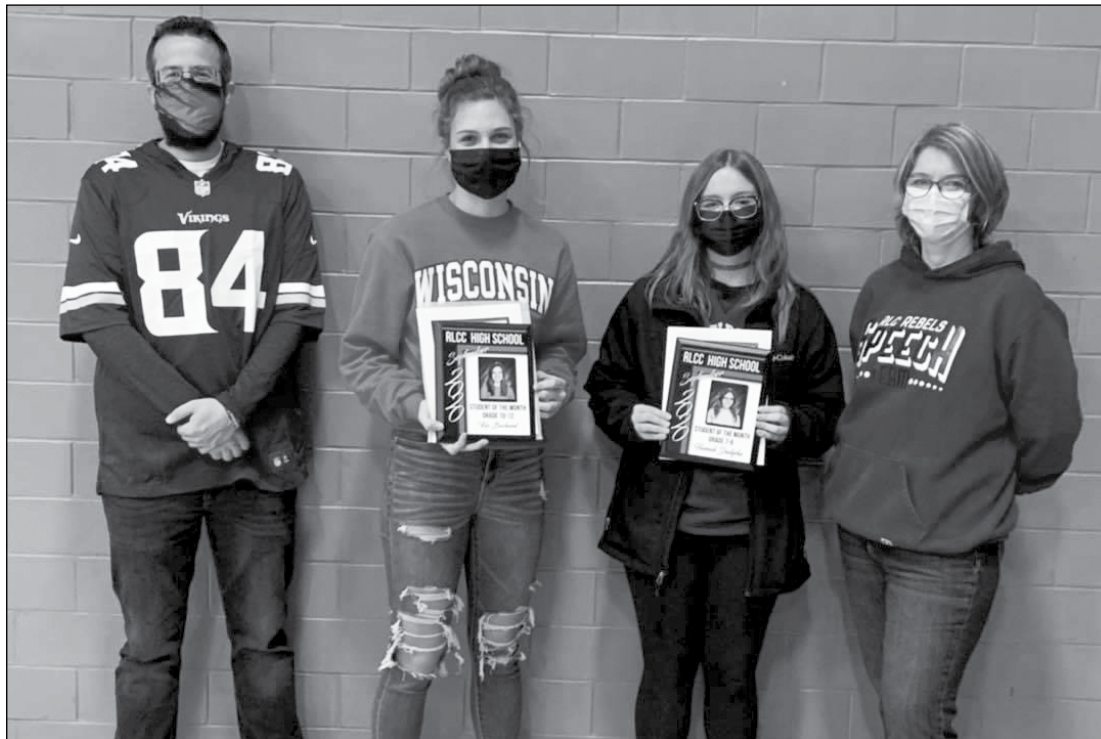
Monday: Breakfast: Sausage pancake stick, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken strips, baked beans, fries, coleslaw, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** French toast sticks, sausage patty, green beans, yogurt, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Apple turnover, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken hotdish, bread stick, corn, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Egg omelet, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Pork fritter, mashed potatoes, gravy, broccoli Normandy, dinner roll, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Long John roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Bosco sticks, marinara sauce, garlic toast, lettuce salad, fruit, and milk.



Mr. Kory Baril, Kia Bachand, Hannah Dudycha, and Mrs. Bobbie Aakhus.

RLCC High School Student of the Month

By Mustang Stampede
Reporters

Hannah Dudycha was honored as Junior High Student of the Month for the month of September by Mrs. Bobbi Aakhus. Hannah is the daughter of Kyle and Jessi Dudycha and has a twin brother, Hunter, and an older sister, Kelsey Sirjod. Hannah is a member of the Speech team, drama club, Volleyball team, and the Channel 35 Multi-Media Club. Mrs. Aakhus nominated Hannah because of her kindness to all students and staff, her strong work ethic, and willingness to help those around her. "Hannah always writes more than expected and is always planning a new challenge," commented Mrs. Aakhus.

Kia Bachand was honored

as Senior High Student of the Month for the Month of September by Mr. Kory Baril. Kia is the daughter of Jeff and Jodi Bachand and has one sister, Kari, and one brother, Cade. Kia is President of the Red Lake County Central High School Minnesota Honor Society and vice president of the Student Senate. Kia plays volleyball and basketball. In his presentation, Mr. Baril noted "Kia is always willing to help her younger teammates in any way possible. Kia is an excellent student with high standards for herself. Kia is kind and always willing to help with anything around the school."

Congratulations Kia and Hannah!

RLCC Mustangs Volleyball

By: Aurimy Olson and
Lauren Jones

The RLCC Mustangs volleyball team played Blackduck on Monday October 19th. The Mustangs won in 4 sets, losing the first 21-25 and winning the following three with scores of 25-15, 25-16, and 25-14. Stats for the Mustangs were Kia Bachand with 9 kills, 1 block, 1 ace, and 15 digs. Jamie Flatgard had 8 kills, 6 blocks, 1 ace, and 4 digs. Marissa Thomas with 3 kills and 1 block. Cari Bachand had 2 kills, 2 blocks, and 7 digs. Bailey Sherman had 11 assists, 8 digs, and 3 aces.

The Mustangs volleyball team played East Grand Forks Green Wave on Thursday, October 22nd and got another win in a close 5 set game! The Mustangs suffered a loss in the first set with a score of 8-25. The second and third sets were both a win for the Mustangs with scores of 25-18 and 25-23. EGF managed to win the fourth set 19-25, but the Mustangs pulled out a win in the fifth set with a close game ending 16-14. Stats for the RLCC Mustangs were Kia

Bachand with 15 kills along with 1 block and 1 ace. Jamie Flatgard had 8 kills, 7 blocks, and 3 aces. Marissa Thomas with 5 kills and 4 blocks. Shawna Majeres, 3 kills, 1 block, and 3 aces. Bailey Sherman had 1 ace and 28 assists throughout the game. Stats for EGF Green Wave were Kendra Emery with 11 kills and 4 aces. Jessie Helgeland had 10 kills and 5 blocks. Halle Carpenter with 7 kills.

Annika Beauchamp had 5 aces. Ella Eggers 18 assists and Caitlin Hovde 15 assists.

The Mustangs volleyball team played Sacred Heart and suffered a loss in a 3 set game. In the first set, the Mustangs lost 13-25. In the second set, the Mustangs lost with a close set of 23-25. In the last set, the Mustangs lost 17-25. Stats for the Mustangs are Kia Bachand with 4 kills and 5 digs. Marissa Thomas with 3 kills and 1 block. Cari Bachand with 2 kills, 2 blocks, and 7 digs. Jamie Flatgard with 1 kill, 8 blocks, 4 aces, and 3 digs. And Bailey Sherman with 9 assists.



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

Red Lake County Rebel Football 2020 Schedule

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

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

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

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

Thu, Nov 12: 5:00PM
Postponed @ Oklee School

Tue, Nov 17: 5:00PM
Away vs. Goodridge-Grygla @ Goodridge High School

Thu, Nov 19: 5:00PM
Away vs. Stephen-Argyle Central Stephen-Argyle Central High School

Fri, Nov. 20: 5:00PM
Red Lake Falls @ Plummer School

Mon, Nov 23: 5:00PM
Away vs. Win-E-Mac @ Win-E-Mac School

Mon, Nov 30: Sections
7:00PM @ Away vs. Multiple Schools

Wednesday, November 4, 2020



Payton Rystad serves to the Crookston Junior Varsity team as Jennifer Johnson readies herself to make a play. Photo by Emily Kolstoe.

Elementary Students of the Month



Mr. Strutz sets off a student's rocket with his annual rocket assignment.



September Winners are 3rd & 4th grade - Brynley Kvasager and 5th & 6th Dylan Lundeen. Congratulations!



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Wednesday, October 14th Starting Line-Up, Gary Brantl Football Field. RLC Rebels hosted Polk County West Thunder.

Red Lake Falls Library

New adult titles include "Cook With Me: 150 Recipes for the Home Cook: A Cookbook" by Alex Guarnaschelli, "one of Food & Wine's favorite fall cookbooks. Alex and her daughter, Ava, most love to cook together; here Alex revives the recipes she grew up with, such as her mom's chicken with barbecue sauce and her dad's steamed pork dumplings, from meatballs two ways to the blueberry crumble her mom made every summer. Alex shares recipes and insights that come only from generations of collective experience."

"Don't Watch This: How the Media are Destroying Your Life" by Michael Rosenblum, author of "iPhone Millionaire." "An unfiltered look at the addictive properties of social media, TV, and movies on our culture, with strategies to help you reclaim control over your life. The average person spends eight hours a day watching TV or videos online, outpacing everything else that we do, including sleep. This habit has a powerful influence on our lives and wreaks havoc on

our mental health, causing increased stress, depression, and anxiety, and ruining personal relationships. It also drives us deep into debt.

Here, former TV producer and Ivy League professor Michael Rosenblum reveals the hidden psychology driving us to media addiction, and provides actionable, techniques and insight to control your media addiction."

"Spice Apothecary: Blending and Using Common Spices for Everyday Health" by Bevin Clare; the author "combines her training in herbalism and nutrition to inspire a return to the kitchen spice cabinet for better health and healing. Focusing on 19 common culinary spices that are easy to source and prized for their flavor, this practical guide highlights each spice's role in supporting wellness goals."

All branches of Northwest Regional Library will be closed on Wednesday, November 11 in recognition of Veterans Day.



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Oklee Herald Early Files

Eighty Years Ago October 31, 1940

Draft numbers were drawn at a public lottery in Washington on Tuesday and a 156 numbers for Red Lake County were listed. Three are 877 men listed in this county.

Miss Alice Jensen submitted to having her tonsils removed at a hospital in Thief River Falls last Friday.

It has been reported that Richard Farrington and Miss Eva Millgan were married on October 12th in Wisconsin where they are making their home.

Beginning Monday, November 4th, a lot lunch project will be started in the Oklee School in order to make a warm dish available at noon to pupils how have to bring their noonday lunches. This dish is intended as a supplement to the regular lunch, and will be available for a small sum.

The M. Gunderson family has been assisting Gunder Gunderson of Mayfield harvest his potato crop, where was good.

Results of the Presidential poll at the Oklee Theatre last week were Roosevelt 71.4%; Willkie 28.2%; and Thomas .4%.

Seventy Years Ago November 2, 1950

Ronald and Delano Fore and Bobbie Mikkelsen returned to Grand Rapids last Sunday after spending a few days at home to threshing. Mr. and Mrs. Don Peterson took them there on their way back to Minneapolis.

Miss Katheryn Stone, daughter of Mrs. Floyd Stone of Oklee, became the bride of Mr. Obert Hovet, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tellef Hovet of Goodridge in a single ring ceremony performed by Rev. J.M. Runestad in the Lutheran Parsonage on October 24th.

At the Oak Theatre on Sunday and Monday, a story of America's greatest problem! Home of the Brave starring James Edwards, Douglas Dick, Lloyd Bridges and Steve Brodie.

Sixty Years Ago November 3, 1960

Forty-four dairy farm couples, sponsored by as many creameries, were honored for the progress in the dairy industry at the annual banquet of the Red River Valley Dairy-men's Assocation meeting. A few local names are Geroge Derosier, RLF, Brooks Cheese Factory; Ben Olson, Trail, Gully Co-op Creamery; Everett Schumacher, Trail, Oklee Co-op Creamery.

Mr. and Mrs. Onezime Bachand observed their 25th anniversary Saturday morning when they renewed their vows at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church.

Debra Ann Hemley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund G. Hemly was baptized Sunday at St. Vincent de Paul Church in Plummer.

A carnival was held at the Little Oak School house Thursday evening with Mrs. Alvin Burstad as teacher. A successful carnival was held at

the Rose Nook School Friday evening. Sonja Myrum was crowned queen for selling the most tickets.

Fifty Years Ago November 5, 1970

Construction to start on new bank building – the new structure, will be of block with split block facing will be 40 x 50 feet. It will set back from the sidewalk on east and north sides and surrounded by shrubbery on two sides. Razing of the old Security State Bank building was done to prepare for eh new building.

License plates and stickers will be issued by Gerald Thibert, Register of Deeds and Deputy Motor Vehicle Register for the county, who will be at the Plummer and Oklee banks on a ½ day basis and increase to a full day a week if demand warrants it.

The Rhoda Catholic Church, built in 1917 is being torn down. When it closed there were only 13 families – nine of which were Radnieckis. Pews from the church were moved to St. Charles at Trail and the bell went to Middle River.

Two Oklee junior high school students have admitted their part in a telephone call Thursday that caused the school to be evacuated for the day while the building was searched for a bomb that was supposed to go off at around noon.

650 attended the Plummer Appreciation dinner on Saturday, October 24th sponsored by the Plummer Commercial Club.

Forty Years Ago November 6, 1980

Severe cutbacks in many county services will be necessitated by levy limitations in 1981. The largest budget cuts occurred in the Road and Bridge fund because that fund has the least amount of legally mandated services. Salary increases for employees have been cut sharply from the proposed budgets.

The City of Oklee has re-elected all 3 incumbents to the city council. Mayor Earl Swenson won back his seat and the two council positions still belong to Louis Violette and Don Fournier.

Where the Boys Are featured Navy Seaman Recruit Barry Jensen, son of Alvin and Bonnie Jensen. And Navy Fireman Joel Hanson, son of Elmer and Doris Hanson.

The Junior Class has completed their magazine sales, selling a total of \$4,501.72.

Winners in the Halloween Costume were: Cutest – Stacey Lambert, Eric Jensen, and Lynn Hammer; Scariest – Jill Radniecki, Jason Moen, Shelia Sebenaler; Most Original – Jenna Murck, Kristi & Tiffany Whalen, Sheryl Whyte.

Thirty Years Ago November 7, 1990

The City of Oklee held a special meeting to review the bids which had been previously opened for the Oklee Wastewater system. The lowest bid was from Kenko, Inc. of Blaine, in the amount of 1,185,089.42 for construction of the system. This

amount was approximately \$53,000 more than the estimate has been for the project.

Participating in the Red Lake County Mustang Cross-Country Track team were Jody Martell, Patt Capp, Lee Vettleson, Paul Peterson, Nick Olson, Isaac Peterson with Lawrence Vettleson as coach.

There were pumpkins of various sizes and shapes and designs lined up for judging at the Oklee Halloween Party. Winning prizes were Rachel Melby & Tina Lambert for cutest. Jessica Klasen (Largest) and Ashely Spong (Smallest). Scariest belonged to Stephanie Olson and Most Original belonged to Troy Peterson.

Bowling tournament winner in the Special Olympics games held in TRF recently was Tommy Whalen. His coach was Connie Dugstad. Tommy placed first in the 8-11 category and is in the second grade at Oklee School. His parents are Tim and Linda Whalen.

Twenty Years Ago November 2, 2000

The Oklee School Readiness class of 4 & 5 years olds visited the Oklee Fire Hall on Thursday and given a tour of the Fire Department with Jim Dessellier showing them all around.

The Red Lake County Commissioners accepted the bid from AJ Spanjers of Brooklyn Park, MN for the complete restoration job of the County Courthouse building. The funding for this project came from the reserves and will not take additional tax money to pay for it.

The Oklee Lutheran Parish Youth Group collected canned and dry goods from Oklee residents on October 29th which were given to the Oklee Food Shelf. They dressed in Halloween costumes. Participating were: Cynthia Raiter, Rachel Schue, Dede Vettleson, Dusty Knutson, Andy Dessellier, Nick Vettleson, Isaac Magnell, Matt Stenberg, Andy Swenson Andrew Vettleson, Suzy O'Neill Teisha Wright, Kayla Hamm, and Lindsay Bergeson.

Ten Years Ago November 3, 2010

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 159 served coffee and bars at the Oklee Halloween Party on Sunday evening. Working that evening were Barb Melby, Iona Berry, MaryLynn Bachand, Donna Kvasager, Doris Hanson, Therese Radniecki, Ione Nelson, Shirley Dessellier and Elaine Radniecki.

The RLC junior high choir members that participated in the Junior High Honor Choir Monday in Mahnomen were Brandi Jensen, Shelby Haugen, Madison Thompson, Brittney Bray, Anna Pahlen, Mikayla Paradis, Brittany Kelley, Holly Vettleson, Miranda Magnell, James Hanson, Kaytlin Tronvedt, Kayla Jaeger, and Kayla Olson.

After some wild weather Tuesday and Wednesday, things have settled down. We didn't get snow like some did. The power outages couldn't have been much fun either. But winter is just around the corner.

Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteers Jo Lambert & Bonny Cote

For Halloween, a few volunteers w/Sue Beaudoin's help, made Halloween treats to go in the Meals on Wheels lunches on October 30th. If you want to order a Meals on Wheels please call the Oklee Café the day before to be put on the list.

We are going to be switching over to a new system in December for paying for your Senior Meals. Instead of collecting the money at the Senior Site in Oklee for your meals, please keep track of the meals you receive starting December 1st. You will receive a statement in January/February for the December meals. The suggested donation amount is \$5.00 per meal, but you may donate more if you want. More information will be coming in the next few columns in November. If you have questions, call the Senior Site at 796-5149.

The Site is open Monday from 10am to 1pm, Tuesday 11am to 12:30pm, and Wed. 11am to 12:30pm, Thursday 11am to 12pm and Friday 10am to 1pm.

Dates to Remember

Nov. 11: Veteran's Day – Thank a Veteran for their Service!

Nov. 19 World's Men's Day
Nov. 26: Thanksgiving Day

Nov. 3: Gloria Benedick
Nov. 11: Jeannie O'Neill
Nov. 16: Jane Klasen
Nov. 20: Therese Radniecki
Nov. 28: Iona Berry

Interesting Facts

The State of Florida is bigger than England.

Lightning strikes about 6,000 times per minute on this planet.

A quarter has 119 grooves on its edge, a dime has one less groove.

Joke

Lincoln, a young man, wanted to get his beautiful wife, Lucy something nice for their fifth wedding anniversary. So, he decides to buy her a cell phone. She is all excited, she loves her phone and he explains all the features on the phone. The next day, Lucy goes

shopping. Her phone rings and its Lincoln: "Hi honey", he says "how do you like your new phone?"

And she replies: "I just love it, it's so small and your voice is clear as a bell but there's one thing I don't understand though".

"What's that?" asks the husband.

"How did you know I was at Walmart?" asked Lucy.

STORY TO SHARE!

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

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe
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Brielle Traxler stayed overnight at her Grandma Traxler's, Sunday night.

Roger Skjervén, longtime resident of Plummer passed away, Thursday, October 22nd. He was an American Legion member for many years, an active Tri River Pioneer member. He has three children, Peggy Genereaux, Lorie Gildea, and Jim. Lorie Gildea is Chief Justice in St. Paul. He enjoyed working on tractors and cars, especially old ones. He liked driving his 1957 pickup. Roger was a gentleman and a good friend. We will miss him very much.

Independent Testing Technologies from Central Minnesota, was in Plummer again testing the soil. They were on the southeast corner of Plummer by my house on Thursday. They drill down a few feet, bring up a sample and put it

in a pail and label it, and keep it separated. They did this several times, maybe going ten or more feet down. They hoped to finish Friday. If all goes well, work will begin in 2022. Earlier this summer, different area were marked such as electrical, water, phone cables. It's really extensive areas to test. I think it will be a huge mess in our small town. But those will be badly needed improvements.

This should have been in the week before. A bronze statue of Loretta Lynn was installed at the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville with other country legends. What an honor!

On Tuesday, the L.A. Dodgers won the World Series, first time since 1988!

Since it was an election year this year, I have an interesting bit of information about young people during the

1860's. They campaigned in the streets, wearing capes made of oil cloth. Presidents Lincoln and Johnson were presidents during this time. The one from the Smithsonian Institute was red with a pointed collar. They carried torches and banners.

A fun Halloween idea for kids and adults was a candy corn shaped (triangle) made of vegetables. It had yellow peppers in the point, carrots in the middle and cauliflower in the bottom. Then put dressing on and eat.

Also a black spider made from a black olive on a round crust like bottom!

A couple of TV trivia items: On average, a cloud weighs one million pounds.

There may be 16,000 square miles of ice on the moon!

Stay well and have a good week!

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

Wow, this week's weather is supposed to be absolutely wonderful. Get that yard work done while you can. Nothing is guaranteed for next week, just really cold in comparison. I can still use those days that are in the 60's.

We have lost some of our pioneers this week. Yvonne Morinville of Brooks died on October 28, and her funeral was on October 30. Yvonne loved sewing and embroidery work, reading and gardening. She liked to make baby blankets to give away. She was true to her traditional faith and loved her family dearly. Rest in peace Yvonne. Our sympathy to the family.

One guy who helped us out years ago, was Elmer Hanson. It is hard to see that he has

died, because it is always hard to see the good ones pass on. Elmer Hanson was a man with a great heart. He was the Standard oil bulk agent in the area and he knew where everyone in the area lived. He serviced on weekends and during the week, sometimes late into the night. During the lean years he would charge the oil for the customers and let them pay when they could. He told me once "I just couldn't see kids shivering in the cold." Another sure sign of Elmers good heart, was seeing so many foster children that he and Doris took in to care for until a better solution to their plight was found. He loved those kids like they were his own. Elmer also placed the flags on the graves of servicemen on Veterans Day and Memorial Day. Rest in Peace Elmer. Your good works for the community and the area will live in our memories. Our

sympathy to the family for your (and our) loss.

Roger Skjervén of Plummer also died this past week. He again was known around the area and especially in Plummer where he sparked so many activities like the Fourth of July Parade, The Tri-Rivers Pioneers Museum and being active in the Memorial Day and Veterans Day celebrations. He was also a school bus driver for many years and had the Brooks route for many years. My children liked Roger and he treated the kids fairly and with care. He always had a gleam in his eye like he was up to something. We will miss him and his ideas. Peace be with you Roger. Our sympathy to his family.

Have a good week and keep wearing the mask in public. It may or may not help, but better to be safe than sorry.

Who's Dat?



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This weeks photo is of a group of young men raised in the area.

Last week's photo was Donald Burack Jr., Kathi Larson Bauer, Keith Nelson, and Kari Larson Hamm.

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.

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