

Oklee Precipitation

By Einar Kvasager

	Rain	Snow
April 10	Trace	
April 12	0.04	Trace
April 13	Trace	3.00
April 14	Trace	1.00
Total	0.04	4.00

Oklee Herald

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Red Lake County Commissioners updated on Road Projects

Erik Hove gave an update on the 2021 road projects. He started with the [Project Update for CSAH 17 Full Depth Reclamation Project \(SAP 063-617-002\)](#):

This is a cooperative project that was let by Polk County as per our construction agreement. Polk County awarded the project to Knife River Materials on 3/16/21 with a total bid amount of \$1,397,336.61 with Red Lake County's por-

tion being \$296,625.91 (see the attached bid summary for full bid results and project location map).

[Project Update for CSAH 6 Hot-In-Place Recycle Project \(SAP 063-606-011\)](#):

This is a cooperative project that was let by Polk County as per our cooperative construction agreement. Polk County awarded the project to Knife River Materials on 4/6/21 with a total bid amount

of \$3,804,314.49 with Red Lake County's portion being \$573,968.61 (see the attached bid summary for full bid results and project location map).

[Approval of Annual Equipment Rental Quotes](#):

The solicitation of these quotes is intended to provide Red Lake County with a readily available source of equipment. I recommend we approve all quotes.

[Approval of Gravel Stockpile](#)

[Quote \(CP 63-21-03\)](#):

The highway department has solicited quotes to crush a gravel stockpile near the southwestern portion of the County. Our current gravel stockpile in this area is nearly depleted and we are in need of more material to keep up with maintenance graveling. I would recommend approval of the quote from Davidson Construction Inc for \$169,200 to stockpile 18,000 Cubic Yards of Class 1 Aggregate. Final payment to be based on GPS survey and paid in two annual installments in 2021 and 2022. (see attached bid abstract and project location map)

FEMA to Help Pay Funeral Costs for COVID-19-Related Deaths

In early April, FEMA will begin providing financial assistance for funeral expenses incurred after Jan. 20, 2020 for deaths related to coronavirus (COVID-19) to help ease some of the financial stress and burden caused by the pandemic. The policy was finalized today, and FEMA is now moving rapidly to implement this funeral assistance program nationwide. "At FEMA, our mission is to help people before, during and after disasters," said Acting FEMA Administrator Bob Fenton. "The COVID-19 pandemic has caused immense grief for so many people. Although we cannot change what has happened, we affirm our commitment to help with funeral and burial expenses that many families did not anticipate."

To be eligible for COVID-19 funeral assistance, the policy states:

The applicant must be a U.S. citizen, non-citizen national, or qualified alien who incurred funeral expenses after Jan. 20, 2020 for a death attributed to COVID-19.

If multiple individuals contributed toward funeral expenses, they should apply under a single application as applicant and co-applicant. FEMA will also consider documentation from other individuals not listed as the applicant and co-applicant who may have incurred funeral expenses as part of the registration for the deceased individual.

An applicant may apply for multiple deceased individuals.

The COVID-19-related death must have occurred in the United States, including the U.S. territories and the District of Columbia.

This assistance is limited to a maximum financial amount of \$9,000 per funeral and a maximum of \$35,500 per application.

Funeral assistance is intended to assist with expenses for funeral services and interment or cremation.

In the coming weeks, a dedicated 800 number will be established to help individuals who apply. In the meantime, potential applicants are encouraged to start gathering the following documentation:

An official death certificate that attributes the death to COVID-19 and shows that the death occurred in the United States. The death certificate must indicate the death "may have been caused by" or "was likely the result of" COVID-19 or COVID-19-like symptoms. Similar phrases that indicate a high likelihood of COVID-19 are considered sufficient attribution.

Funeral expense documents (receipts, funeral home contract, etc.) that include the applicant's name, the deceased individual's name, the amount of funeral expenses and dates the funeral expenses were incurred.

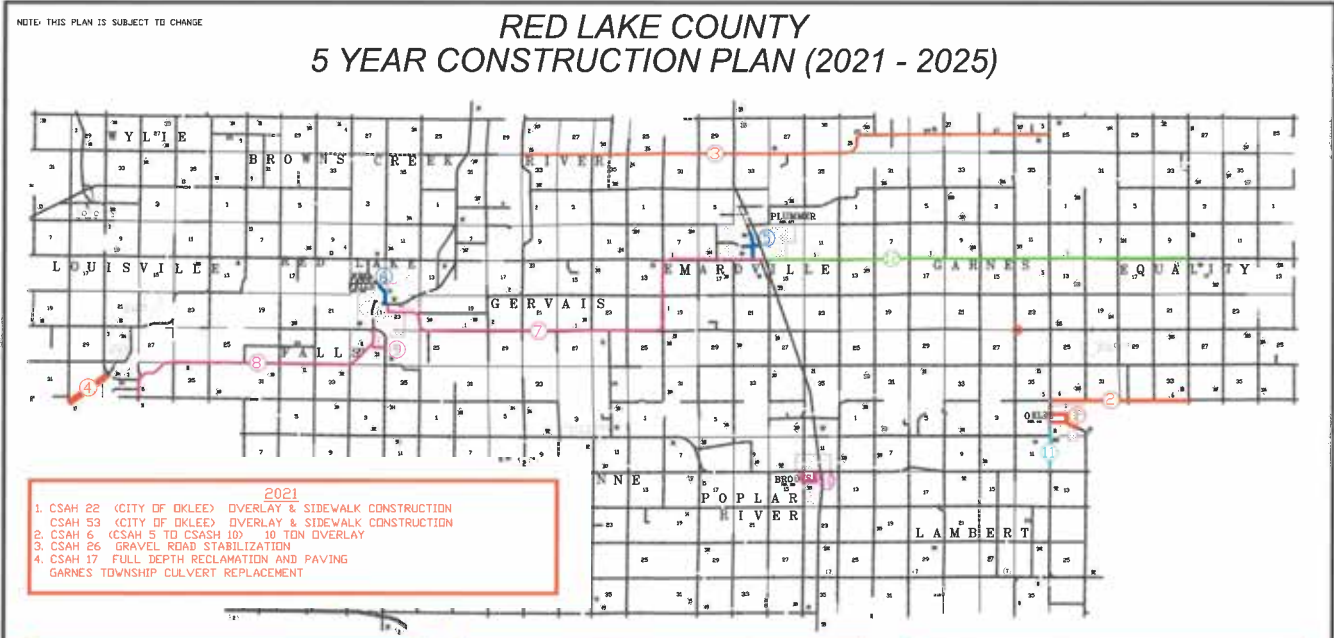
Proof of funds received from other sources specifically for use toward funeral costs. Funeral assistance may not duplicate benefits received from burial or funeral insurance, financial assistance received from voluntary agencies, federal/state/local/tribal/territorial government programs or agencies, or other sources.

For more information about this assistance, visit [COVID-19 Funeral Assistance | FEMA.gov](#).

Bid Summary	Engineer's Estimate	Knife River Materials	R.J. Zavoral And Sons, Inc.	Central Specialties Inc.	Mark Sand & Gravel Co.	Agassiz Asphalt, LLC
CP 21-044-003 (Clearwater County)	\$ 155,970.00	\$ 150,173.80	\$ 160,412.80	\$ 172,474.40	\$ 164,671.40	\$ 177,657.40
City of Fosston	\$ 293,327.00	\$ 162,516.75	\$ 182,782.70	\$ 173,611.00	\$ 321,680.00	\$ 257,582.50
SAP 060-606-027 (Polk County CSAH 6)	\$ 793,948.00	\$ 743,469.40	\$ 804,161.40	\$ 848,838.90	\$ 850,464.60	\$ 898,890.60
SAP 060-606-028 (Polk County CSAH 6)	\$ 485,737.50	\$ 452,302.95	\$ 514,549.70	\$ 524,765.70	\$ 506,875.70	\$ 552,578.20
SAP 060-606-029 (Polk County CSAH 6)	\$ 305,248.60	\$ 289,600.73	\$ 312,397.30	\$ 319,313.52	\$ 330,841.33	\$ 360,792.63
SAP 060-627-007 (Polk County CSAH 27)	\$ 1,509,129.00	\$ 1,432,282.25	\$ 1,541,199.25	\$ 1,597,801.65	\$ 1,538,486.45	\$ 1,603,679.45
SAP 063-606-011 (Red Lake County CSAH 6)	\$ 598,795.00	\$ 573,968.61	\$ 615,480.41	\$ 631,046.02	\$ 652,967.01	\$ 701,133.41
Combined Totals	\$ 4,142,155.10	\$ 3,804,314.49	\$ 4,130,983.56	\$ 4,267,851.19	\$ 4,365,986.49	\$ 4,552,314.19

	Engineer's Estimate	Knife River Materials	Anderson Brothers Construction Company	Davidson Construction Inc.	R.J. Zavoral And Sons, Inc.
SAP 063-617-002 (Red Lake County CSAH 17)	\$ 369,737.00	\$ 296,625.91	\$ 273,992.20	\$ 314,519.50	\$ 330,113.88
SAP 060-657-004 (Polk County CSAH 57)	\$ 1,285,598.00	\$ 1,100,710.70	\$ 1,127,377.55	\$ 1,210,824.00	\$ 1,196,133.50
SAP 063-617-002 & SAP 060-657-004 (Combined Projects)	\$ 1,655,335.00	\$ 1,397,336.61	\$ 1,401,369.75	\$ 1,525,343.50	\$ 1,526,247.38

CP 63-21-03 Stockpile of Processed Aggregate Surfacing						
			Davidson Construction Inc.		RJ Zavoral & Sons	
Description	Unit	Contract Quantity	Unit Price	Bid Amount	Unit Price	Bid Amount
Aggregate Surfacing (SV) Class 1	Cubic Yard	18,000	\$ 9.40	\$ 169,200.00	N/A	N/A



Shop-At-The-Top a great Clearbrook shop!



Shop-At-The-Top provides an organized, spacious shopping experience with amazingly low prices for its customers.

Shop-At-The-Top is an almost daily destination for some, a weekly destination for others, and a "must stop-on-the-way" for others who come from greater distances, but there are those who have never heard of it, much less visited, so let me introduce you to this "secret". Shop-At-The-Top is an amazing thrift store that has served the Clearbrook area for over 15 years.

It evolved from an idea to help pay the utilities for the newly incorporated Clear Waters Life Center to one room on the third floor of CWLC, hence its name, where "everything" took place - donation drop-off, sorting, tagging, hanging, displaying, and selling - to a shop that occupies the entire third floor and part of the bottom floor. As the shop and

its hours expanded, so did the need for volunteers. Today, the shop keeps 20 plus volunteers busy and logs at least 85 hours of volunteer time every week.

Perhaps the most beautiful aspect of Shop-At-The-Top is that it is volunteer run. The shop-keepers and sorters are a dedicated group of people; some have been a part of the shop from its inception; others have been here just a few months.

For the most part, they come once a week, but some come in several days a week for a few hours and others are just occasional. The volunteers who wait on you are just the "tip of the iceberg". Shop-at-the-Top could not exist without them. Most are here because someone asked them, and once they discovered the joy of service and treasure hunting, they stayed.

A volunteer most often gets more than she/he gives in time and energy. Volunteering provides a sense of belonging, being a part of something larger than yourself for the greater good. There is a sense of pride in being a part of something done well. There is the conversation and laughter that exists between friends; the exchange of ideas and support; and the simple joy of serving. We are always looking for new volunteers, so feel free to stop in the CWLC office or the shop and ask for a Volunteer Application. No number of volunteer hours are too little, and our manager will match you with what you like to do.

Our volunteers keep the shop neat and organized to make our customers feel valued. It is because of our vol-

unteers and those who donate everything from good quality clothing to small kitchen appliances, children's toys, puzzles & games and one-of-kind items that Shop-At-The-Top is able to keep prices low to serve our customers. Thank you, volunteers, donors, and customers for supporting Shop-At-The-Top and Clear Waters Life Center. You keep "the lights on", so we can provide services and programs to help our communities.

Shop-At-The-Top is open Monday through Friday, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Saturday, 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon. You can keep up-to-date on what's new and sales by liking Clear Waters Life Center on Facebook or visiting our website, [www.clearwaterslife.org](#).



Young swans (still slight gray colored) were swimming in a local water hole north of Fosston on Monday morning. There were many other ducks swimming also, but because of the darker feathers you couldn't see them easily.

Covid-19 Numbers climb

Daily Inter-County Nursing Service Covid-19 updates:

April 17th-19th: There are 6 new cases to report in Pennington County, the individuals age range between a child under 10 to their 30's. There are no new cases to report in Red Lake County.

April 16th: There are 11 new cases to report in Pennington County, the individuals are in their 20's, 30's and 40's. There are 2 new cases to report in Red Lake County, the individuals are in their 20's and 70's.

April 15th: There are 5 new cases to report in Pennington County, the individuals age range from a child under 10 to their 40's. There are 3 new cases to report in Red Lake County, the individuals are in their 20's and 40's.

April 14th: There are 2 new cases to report in Pennington County, the individuals are in their 20's and 30's. There are no new cases to report in Red Lake County today.

April 13th: There is 1 new case to report in Pennington County, the individual is in their 30's. There is 1 new case to report in Red Lake County, the individual is in their teens.

April 10th-12th: There are 3 new cases to report in Pennington County, the individuals are in their teens, 20's, and 30's. There are 2

new cases to report in Red Lake County, the individuals are in their teens and 20's. It is with great sadness we report 2 more deaths in Red Lake County, the individuals are both in their 80's. One death was recent and one was confirmed from December. Our hearts go out to their family and loved ones at this difficult time.

Statistics (4-16-21)

- 556,381 Positive Tests
- 8,842,898 Complete Tests
- 3,902,960 People tested
- 530,121 Patients Who No Longer Need Isolation
- 7,020 Total Deaths

As of this printing - Total Confirmed Cases in surrounding Counties:

- Pennington County: 1506 1464 recovered cases 23 active case
- 5 current hospitalization 19 death
- Red Lake County: 387 373 recovered cases 7 active case
- 2 current hospitalization 7 death
- Marshall County: 856
- Clearwater County: 778
- Beltrami County: 3,729
- Polk County 3,623 (as of 4-15-2021) 130 active cases 67 deaths

Vaccination Stats (4-15-21)

	1st	2nd
Pennington	5,469	3,905
Red Lake	1,703	1,298
Polk	11,450	9,032

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Linda Molitor
Wed, April 21: 7:00 p.m.
In-Person Confirmation.
Sun, April 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, April 28: 7:00 p.m.
In-Person Confirmation.
Sermons are on GVTel Channel 35 (10 am Sunday & 2 pm Tuesday), also on Facebook or YouTube.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF OKLEE, GRYGLA & GOODRIDGE
Fr. Adam Hamness
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. St. Francis – Oklee. 10:15 a.m. – Grygla. 12:00 p.m. – Goodridge.
Go to: <http://www.oggcatholic.org/> for service times.

BROOKS – RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bob Schreiner
Brooks – Red Lake Falls Catholic Parish
Fr. Bob Schreiner
Saturday: St. Joseph RLF 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: Brooks Sunday 8:00 a.m. St. Joseph 10:00 a.m.

IMMANUEL–EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, April 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, April 21: 7:00 p.m. Bethany Worship.
Sun, April 25: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Ekelund. 9:30 a.m. Ekelund SS. 9:30 a.m. Bethany SS. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Faith. 11:00 a.m. Faith Annual meeting.
Mon, April 26: 9 a.m. Quilting at Faith.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sundays: 10:00 a.m.
Services will continue to be live-streamed on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/bethelfosston>) as an alternative to attending in person.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive – Nazareth Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseth
Wed, April 21: 5 p.m. Wednesday School.
Sat, April 24: Mt Olive: 9:00 a.m.

Sun, April 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.
Wed, April 28: 5 p.m. Wednesday School.
Find services and past sermons at www.facebook.com/clearwaterlutheranparish

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

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, April 28: 9:00 a.m. Lund, 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley. 1 p.m. Confirmation at Lund.
CDC safety guidelines for COVID-19 will be followed.

Thank you for the expressions of sympathy when my sister Beverly passed away. Especially want to thank Oklee ambulance, Oklee clinic staff, Essentia Health doctors & nurses, Pastor Linda for her home visits to Bev and the message at the service, Johnson Funeral Service for arrangements, Salem WELCA for lunch following the service, Beverly's friends at the apartments, Gloria's daily care checks, and for phone calls and cards of condolence. Thank you everyone.
Henry Linder OSC

Spring burn restrictions

As fire season deepens and expands, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources has added more counties to the burn restriction list. The state will not issue burning permits for brush or yard waste in these counties until the restrictions are lifted:
Aitkin, Anoka, Becker, Beltrami, Benton, Carlton, Cass, Chisago, Clay, Clearwater, Crow Wing, Douglas, Grant, Hennepin, Hubbard, Isanti, Itasca, Kanabec, Kittson, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Mahnommen, Marshall, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Norman, Otter Tail, Pennington, Pine, Polk, Pope, Ramsey, Red Lake, Roseau, Sherburne, Stearns, Stevens, Todd, Traverse, Wadena, Washington, Wilkin and Wright counties.
“Warm and dry conditions are

key factors for wildfires, so we have to remain on alert about restricting open burning,” said Casey McCoy, DNR fire prevention supervisor. “These restrictions really do work: they’ve helped reduce wildfires by more than 30 percent over the past decade.”
McCoy encourages landowners to compost, chip, or take brush to a collection site rather than burn it. For information on how compost yard waste, visit the DNR’s guide to composting yard debris. People who burn debris will be held financially responsible if their fire escapes and burns other property.
For information and daily updates on current fire risk and open burning restrictions, visit the DNR website: mndnr.gov/burnrestrictions.

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Oklee Senior Site Dining

April 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 strips, hash browns, corn, toast, milk, and dessert.
Tue: Grilled cheese, cold tuna mac salad, milk, and dessert.
Wed: Hamburger, broccoli cheese soup, milk, and dessert.
Thu: ½ Hot pork, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, milk, and dessert.
Fri: BBQ pork, fries, coleslaw, milk, and dessert.

Sudoku Solution

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

Calendar of Events

Wed, April 21:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
Thu, April 22:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news
Fri, April 23:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
Sat, April 24:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
Sun, April 25:
-Worship at the church – check inside for church times and places.
Mon, April 26:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
Tue, April 27:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
Wed, April 28:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

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Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial Update

A recent donation has been made to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial by Cory Koralewski, Oklee, in honor of his dad's military service. Steve Koralewski, Oklee, served in the Army National Guard from 1983-1992, and Cory has purchased a granite block to recognize his dad's military service.

Flags are lowered at the Veterans' Memorial. The RLCC Student Senate has again lowered the flags at the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial following a proclamation by the President of the United States. The proclamation reads as follows: “As a mark of respect for the victims of the senseless acts of violence perpetrated on April 15, 2021, in Indianapolis, Indiana, by the authority vested in me as President of the United States of America, I hereby order that the flag of the United States shall be flown at half-staff...until sunset April 20, 2021.” The RLCC Student Senate under the leadership of Mr. Randy Huie has respectfully lowered the flags at the Veterans' Memorial when a proclamation has been issued by the President of the United States.

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

Tri-Valley Public Transportation

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

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

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

T.H.E. Bus Schedules

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

Every 2nd Tuesday – Mahnommen.
Every 4th Tuesday – Thief River Falls
Every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesday – Fargo/Moorhead.
Every 2nd & 4th Friday – Bemidji.

Deadline: Friday's at noon!

Oklee Centennial Cookbook Recipe Corner - From page 504

Gingered Lemon Scones Alyce Turgeon

2 cups flour
1/4 cup sugar
1 Tbsp baking powder
1/4 tsp salt
1/3 cup butter
3/4 cup buttermilk
1 Tbsp grated fresh ginger
1/4 cup lemon curd
coarse or granulated sugar



Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Lightly grease a baking sheet; set aside. In a medium bowl stir together the flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. Using a pastry blender, cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Make a well in the center of the flour mixture; set aside. In a small bowl, stir together the buttermilk and ginger. Add to flour mixture. Stir with a fork just until moistened. Turn dough out onto a lightly floured surface. Knead dough by folding and gently pressing it for 10 – 12 strokes or until nearly smooth. Divide dough in half. Pat or lightly roll one of the dough halves to an 8" circle. Place on a prepared baking sheet. Spread dough circle with lemon curd to within 1/2 " of the edges. Pat or roll the remaining half of the dough to an 8" circle. Place atop dough on baking sheet. Pinch edges to seal. Sprinkle top with coarse or granulated sugar. Using a sharp knife, score the top of the dough into 8 wedges, cutting 1/4 inch deep. Bake for 30 – 35 minutes or until golden brown. Cool 15 minutes on baking sheet. Place on serving plate. Cut into wedges. Serve warm. Makes 8 scones.

Red Lake County Commissioners Minutes

RED LAKE COUNTY Regular Meeting held March 23, 2021

Pursuant to adjournment of its last meeting the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners duly met in regular session at the Courthouse in Red Lake Falls, MN on March 23, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Chairman Flage called the meeting to order. Commissioner's present: John Dudycha, Chuck Flage, Tony Gerardy, Allen Remick and Ron Weiss. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Drew Ness and Ann Gillund of Unity Bank and Daniel and Kelsey Stephens were present to explain the Huot Hollows Event Center Project and explain the Rural Economic Development Loan Program (REDL) through the USDA. Stephens described the project he is planning that will be located on family-owned property near the Huot Park, Louisville Township. Ness then explained the REDLG loan program. The USDA provides zero interest loans to the local utility organizations such as Garden Valley, which they, in turn, pass through to local businesses for projects that will create and retain employment in rural areas. The businesses repay the utility organization directly, and the utility is responsible for repayment to the USDA Agency. The funds are available for projects in rural areas or towns with populations of 50,000 or less. Ness informed that a tax-based entity (county or city) submits a letter to Garden Valley describing the project, amount of loan, and a commitment to back the loan with tax revenues. The Garden Valley board will review the project, and if authorized an application will be submitted to USDA for loan funds. Ness explained that a letter is needed from the county to approve the proposal and guarantee repayment of such loan from county tax revenues. Commissioner Weiss asked that Ness prepare the letter and submit it by the next meeting so the County Board can discuss further before making any decision. All board members concurred.

Tanya Hanson SWCD Administrator met with the board to present the annual County Feedlot Report for 2020 and request its approval. Commissioner Weiss moved, seconded by Dudycha and carried unanimously to approve the report as presented. Hanson provided an update on the Demarais/Hanson Erosion Project. The Project Engineers are considering an Armored Channel Stabilization, or riprap, to secure the erosion area. The project would be funded by 1W1P dollars at 75% and the balance using possible federal or state dollars. Hanson also updated on other projects scheduled for the 2021 construction season.

Sheriff Bernstein was present to request approval of a Joint Powers Agreement between Red Lake County and the MN Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. Bernstein explained that the JPA would allow the Sheriff Department and County Attorney to access the State Criminal Justice records system. Commissioner Remick moved, seconded by Dudycha and carried unanimously to approve **Resolution No. 03-01-21 "MN Department Public Safety-BCA Agreement"**. The Board Chair and Auditor are authorized to sign the agreement. A complete document is available at the County Sheriff Office. Commissioner Remick left the meeting at 10:55 a.m.
Al Page, county representative to the Red Lake Watershed Board of Managers, was present to provide an update on the district's projects.

Current major projects are the Black River Impoundment, re-doing the Outlet Structure on RLWD #10 ditch system, and a new Pine Lake Water Control structure. Page also mentioned that the DNR is not allowing Rice Farmers to draw from the Clearwater River due to low water levels, but instead must draw water out of the Red Lake River.

Commissioner Gerardy moved and seconded by Dudycha to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held March 9, 2021.

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

Vendor	Amount
Geo-Comm Corporation	\$ 3,850.00
Kvien Document Imaging, Inc.	6,045 80
Truenorth Steel, Inc.	72,862.28
University of North Dakota	2,367.63
17 Vendors less than \$2,000	7,637.49
Final Total	\$92,763.20

The motion included the following added bills: \$32,600.00 to Hoffman, Philipp, & Martel, PLLC; and \$600.00 per diem and \$33.60 expenses to Allen Remick.

The following Commissioner/Committee reports were shared:

Commissioner Reports
Dudycha: - Inter County Community Council.

Gerardy: - Minnesota Rural Caucus; County Fair Board.

Flage: - Minnesota Rural Caucus discussing the Clean Car Mandate; Inter County Nursing Service and heard an update on COVID.

Remick: - None.

Weiss: - Meetings of the Area Aging-Land Dancing Sky and Tri County Community Corrections Advisory Committee.

Board members reviewed a billing received from Polk County for shared expenses on maintenance of joint county drainage systems. Commissioner Dudycha moved, seconded by Gerardy and carried unanimously to approve payment of \$8,696.67 to Polk County pursuant to Mn Statutes 103E.711, Subd. 1.

Auditor Schmitz informed on the recent court rulings for the Enbridge litigation for years 2012, 2013, 2014 and for the years 2015 and 2016. The state has not released any additional information on whether they will be appealing the court's rulings or not.

Schmitz informed that the Red Lake Watershed District will be conducting a Public Hearing at 9:30 a.m. on April 8, 2021 to accept comment on a petition to add lands for drainage into the RLWD #7, Project 20 drainage system.

There being no further business the regular board meeting adjourned to April 13, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Attest:
Robert Schmitz, County Auditor

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RLCC Menus

April 26 - 30

Oklee

Monday: Breakfast: Coffee cake, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hamburger w/bun, curly fries, baked beans, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Bagel w/cream cheese, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Corn dog, macaroni & cheese, peas, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Toast, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hot subs, chips, fresh vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Muffins, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, cheesy potatoes, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Ham patty w/bun, tator tots, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Monday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Grilled chicken w/bun, triangle taters, broccoli, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Egg wrap, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hot dog w/bun, baked beans, chips, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: French toast sticks, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken fajita, lettuce & tomatoes, corn, rice, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hamburger w/bun, fries, veggie cup, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Muffin, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, bread stick, salad, fruit, and milk.



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

Softball:

Girls Varsity

Fri, Apr. 23: 4:30PM Away vs. Kelliher/Northome @ Kelliher High School.

Mon, Apr. 26: 4:30PM Away vs. Laporte Laporte High School.

Tue, Apr. 27: 1:00PM Away vs. Bagley @ Bagley High School.

Thu, Apr. 29: 4:30PM Mahnomen/Waubun @ Oklee School.

Mon, May 3: 4:30PM Away vs. Cass Lake-Bena @ Cass Lake-Bena High.

Tue, May 4: 4:30PM Norman County East @ Oklee.

Fri, May 7: 4:30PM West Marshall @ Oklee.

RLC Coop Rebel

Baseball: V/JV/JH

Thu, Apr. 22: 4:30PM RLC vs. Northern Freeze @ L.E. Drechsel Field (Red Lake Falls).

Fri, Apr. 23: 4:30PM RLC vs. Thief River Falls @ TR Falls High School.

JH ONLY: 4:30PM RLC vs. Thief River Falls @ L.E. Drechsel Field (Red Lake Falls).

Mon, Apr. 26: 4:30PM RLC vs. Sacred Heart @ Sacred Heart High School.

Tue, Apr. 27: 4:30PM RLC vs. Stephen-Argyle Central @ Stephen-Argyle Central High School.

Fri, Apr. 30: Invitational 4:00PM RLC vs. Crookston (RLC vs. Hillsboro) @ Jim Karn Field.

Sat, May 1: JV Tournament TBD Red Lake County Coop vs. Thief River Falls M.E.C.

Sat, May 1: Invitational 10:00AM RLC vs. West Marshall @ Jim Karn Field.

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

RLCC HIGH SCHOOL 3rd Qtr HONOR ROLL 2020-21

7th Grade - "A" Honor

Roll: Jacob Cater, Gunnar Halverson, Emma Hendrickson, Nolan Lundeen, Masen Pahlen, Nickolas Suchy, Colin Taggart, and Logan Vettleson.

"B" Honor Roll: Ava Arlt, Anne Dolan, Connor Duden, McKaelyn Frizzle, Will Giesecke, McKenzie Hamm, Hailey Hanson, Leif Hofstad, Ethan Johnson, Daulton Kezar, Lillie Lundeen, Kendra Morinville, Mckenzie Tofstad, Atley Vettleson, Dylan Wichterman, and Peyton Williams.

8th Grade - "A" Honor

Roll: Owen Chervestad, Kendra Christianson, Hannah Dudycha, Ciara Mitzner, Kane Nelson, Luke Peterson, Oliver Russillo, and Ryan Tvedt.

"B" Honor Roll: Guy Bergeson, Dylan Dahle, Hunter Dudycha, Evelyn Klam, Landon Klasen, Benjamin Lee, Ethan Majeres, Ruben Osborn, Shelby Sherman, and Gavin Thomas.

9th Grade - "A" Honor

Roll: Jamie Flatgard, Sydney Fougner, Jennifer Johnson, Isabelle Morinville, Keira Morinville, Kya Morinville, Everett Svendsen, and Bryn Vettleson.

"B" Honor Roll: Caden Lee, Ella Moen, Peyton O'Neill, and Carly Vettleson.

10th Grade - "A" Honor

Roll: Damon Ferguson, Natalie Lindemoen, Shawna Majeres,

Aurora Mitzner, Cael Nelson, Aurim Olson, Marin Peterson, Lucille Svendsen, and Natalie Vettleson.

"B" Honor Roll: Kaleb Fougner, Orin Hofstad, Carson Lambert, Clowie Magnell, Gerald Melin, Paige Olson, Kaleb Roussy, Payton Rystad, Gunnar Sandeen, Molly Smith, Izaiah Stordahl, Marissa Thomas, Carlee Whalen, and Nickita Whalen.

11th Grade - "A" Honor

Roll: Cari Bachand, Zachary Cater, Peyton Fish, Madeline Inda Valdez, Taya Morinville, Leah Peterson, Jonathan Roue, Bailey Sherman, and Halie Thompson

"B" Honor Roll: Jedidiah Duden, Tyler Eskeli, Lauren Jones, Michael Lowell, Issabella Plante, Jeremiah Rathsack, Marissa Schiebe, Steven Sogla, Shyla Styles, Erin Sundquist, and Leilah VanDam.

12th Grade - "A" Honor

Roll: Kia Bachand, Tristyn Ferguson, Daniel Guillemette, Emily Kolstoe, Janae Olson, and Katelyn Suchy.

"B" Honor Roll: Isaiah Aquino, Adriel Bakken, Wakeley Bryl, Bailey Culkins, George Duden, Zachariah Howard, Jeremy Kruchowski, Karena Melby, Morgan Plante, Elijah Rathsack, Isabella Russillo, and Brock Tvedt.

Take Note of...



Jessie Hamrum Speech Coach of the Year for Subsection 31A and Section 8A



Mariah Peterson, daughter of Mark Peterson and the late Melissa Peterson, earned 3rd place in Creative Expressions, Section 8a, and will be advancing to the virtual State Tournament on Saturday, April 24th.

Oklee Community Rummage Sale Day

By Leilah VanDam

The Rummage Sale Day in Oklee, MN is on Saturday, May 22nd, 2021 starting at 8am. If you would like to be included in the Community Sale Map contact Sandra Tougas at 796-5084 (home), 796-5136 (school), 689-4656 (cell) by May 17th to

list your sale and be included on the Community Sale Map. The hall will also have 3 free spaces - call to reserve your spot. You can reorganize your storage, clean out your garages, and check your closets and drawers for stuff to have for the Rummage Sale Day!

February Student of the month at Red Lake County Central High



February Student of the month at Red Lake County Central High was Madeline Inda-Valdez and Jamie Flatgard, who Mr. Baril nominated.

Madeline Inda-Valdez is in 11th grade, she has two siblings named Edwin and Hector Inda Valdez, and her parents are Maria Valdez and Eduardo Inda Lopez. Madeline said that some of her hobbies are playing basketball and softball, dancing, and hanging out with her friends. She said that her favorite classes are Abnormal Psychology and Chemistry. She would plan to graduate from high school, get accepted into U of M or Ohio State University, get my four years done,

and get into medical school. After that, I would have to go through residency and about three years of fellowship in neonatal-perinatal medicine. As of right now, Madeline has a job on a dairy farm.

Mr. Baril said, "I nominated Madeline for always having a great personality and her passion to succeed. Maddie is constantly making others around her laugh, and she has a natural ability to make others better. She became a leader of our JV GBB team this past season".

Jamie Flatgard is in 9th grade, she has a brother named Levi, and her parents are Craig and Shelly Flatgard. Jamie said

that some of her hobbies are playing sports, hunting, and fishing. Her favorite classes are Science and Civics. Jamie works on the family farm and mows lawns in the summer.

Mr. Baril said, "I nominated Jamie for multiple reasons: her drive to get better at whatever she is doing, her willingness to learn, and her growth as a leader; not only as an athlete but a student as well."

He also said, "I guess what I look for in students are: leadership skills, relationships with peers/staff members, and the drive to succeed while helping others along the way."

Oklee Community Swimming Lessons

By: Lauren Jones

Swimming lessons will be offered through Community Education for children in the Oklee School District. At the Fosston school, there will be one session of 15 lessons starting on June 7th and continuing each weekday through June 25th. Students will swim from 10:15 to 12:00. Busses will be leaving at 9:15 am from the north side of the school and will be back by 12:45. Johnson's daycare will be picked up on the way to Fosston.

If your child has completed kindergarten, they are eligible to participate. Please notify the school when you sign them up and advise them if your child has had a bad experience with water or swimming. The swimming instructors need to be aware of these or other problems your child may have during swimming lessons.

Lessons cost \$35 per child with a \$90 family maximum. No child will be refused from this program because of financial reasons. If you cannot afford the registration fee, please contact Sandra Tougas at the Oklee site (796-5136) to make arrangements.

Please sign up at the Oklee site office and pay for your child's swimming lessons by May 24th so bus assignments can be made.



JO Volleyball

The girls got 3rd place in the MSF State Championship, April 17th, tournament was located in Becker, MN. They are an 11/12 traveling JO volleyball team. It's girls from Oklee/Plummer, team is named the Lady Rebels.

Red Lake Falls Library

Winners of gift certificates to RLF businesses given away as part of National Library Week were Carmen Harmoning, Mary Magnuson and Bonnie Tydlacka.

One of Northwest Regional Library's digital services is called Hoopla. Hoopla is a digital media service offered by public libraries that allows patrons to borrow movies, music, audiobooks, ebooks, comics and TV shows to enjoy on their computer, tablet, or phone and even the TV. Titles

can be streamed immediately, or downloaded to phones or tablets for offline enjoyment later. There are hundreds of thousands of titles to choose from, with more being added daily.

Hoopla is like having your public library at your fingertips. Anytime. Anywhere. Just access the Hoopla platform on the nwrilib.org website, log in with email and username, and use your 14-digit library account number to borrow digital content.



The girls in the picture are:
Top Row: (L-R) Alexia Hendrickson, Olivia Benson, Graceyn Kvasager, Alexa Chervestad
Middle Row: (L-R) Avery Nelson, Willa Klam, Taylor Moen. **Bottom:** Mya Arlt.

Oklee Herald Early Files

Editor's Note: I have been home sick all week with fevers and chills. I was not able to come into the office to finish the Early Files.

Forty Years Ago April 23, 1981

Shelly Hammer, an 8th grader at Oklee High School assisted the Postal Service in promoting up-coming National Letter Writing Week, when she sketched a little cartoon on one of her outgoing friendly letter4s sent from the Oklee Post Office.

Last Tuesday part of the Oklee Home Start took a field trip to some interesting office is Oklee. Some of the places visited were a dairy barn, the post office, the barber shop, and bowling alley.

American Bowling League Trophies awarded: 1st Place: Oklee Elevator, 2nd Place: Oklee Recreation, 3rd Place: Security State Bank. Individual trophies – Most Improved Points - Bob Sherman; High Game with Handicap - Jim Dessellier; Hi Series - LeRoy Hrubby; Hi Series w/handicap - Ernie Swanson; Hi Game – Dean Walker; and Most Improved bowler – Cliff Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Jensen of Oklee are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Donna to Bruce Larson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Larson of Boyd, MN.

Thirty Years Ago April 24, 1991

Mrs. Ellen Hegge's Explorations Reading Group put on a play for the elementary

grades on April 19th. The play was called "The Adventures of the Big Bad Wolf and Granny."

Leo Olson, Clerk-Treasurer for the City of Oklee, has been awarded the designation of "Minnesota Certified Municipal Clerk" for achieving its high educational, experience and service requirements.

Seven members of the Oklee Junior and Senior classes make up the JETS team. They recently participated in a state competition and placed first – 20 points above the second place team.

Meet the Kindergarten featured: Cathi Berberich and Kevin Beaudoin.

Robin Brantl, a 4-year starter with the Mayville State University Comets women's volleyball team, has been chosen as an All-American Athlete by the National Strength and Conditioning Association for her accomplishments both in the classroom and on the athletic court of competition.

Larry and Lori Voeltz of Trail are happy to announce the birth of their son, Travis Ronald, who born at the Foss-ton Hospital on March 1st.

Twenty Years Ago April 19, 2001

Oklee artist and cartoonist Henry Linder presented a proposal to update the Oklee Centennial sign on the SW corner of 2nd Avenue, at the junction of State Hwy 222 in an effort to beautify and bring Oklee into the 21 Century. Linder would repaint the sign-

board to depicting our friendly, farming community.

Maureen Munt is the new editor of the Mustang Stampede, the school newspaper.

Meet the Seniors featured: Seth Fore, Jeremy Loiland, Jessica Spong, and Chris Nelson.

Connie Dugstad was honored with the Fan of the Year award at the RLCC Winter Sports Banquet.

Trisha Bernier was presented an award for her participating in the Jump Rope for Heart program.

With 188 votes, Ron Weiss handily defeated Jamie Der-osier to fill the empty seat on the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners.

Ten Years Ago April 20, 2011

Dr. Bryan Delage spoke at the RLCC Academic Banquet held on April 11th in Plummer. He graduated from Pershing High School in 1981.

Students recognized at the RLCC Academic Banquet were Ashley Bierman (Math), Kevin Longin (Social Studies), Kali Borene (English & Science), Skyler Bergeson (Technology).

Heavy wet snow that fell in Red Lake County on April 15th and 16th caused road conditions to rapidly deteriorate and several vehicle crashes resulted.

"Headin' For A Wedding" was performed on Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the High School in Oklee. It was quite humorous and the audience enjoyed the play very much.

Writers & Writing by Michael Tidemann

Tidemann started his journalism career at the Bismarck Tribune in 1978 and began college teaching career as a graduate teaching assistant at the University of South Dakota in Vermillion in 1977. He has worked at newspapers in Iowa and the Dakotas and his work has appeared in Over-drive, Writer's Journal, the San Diego Union-Tribune and Snowmobile. (Michael Tidemann writes from Estherville, Iowa. His author page is amazon.com/author/michaeltidemann.)

Dahl poetry collection a unique production

Thirty years ago, antique letterpresses sitting in newspaper basements were considered, at best, fodder for metal recyclers.

Fast forward to today, and they're a novelty.

Just as vinyl albums have made a comeback, so, too, has the letterpress. A Muddy Kind of Love by Carolyn A. Dahl, originally from Minnesota and now Texas, has been produced by North Dakota State University publishing students. The limited-edition chapbook was printed on a Heidelberg Windmill press at the Braddock News Letterpress Museum in Braddock, N.D., with the cover printed on an 1890s Chandler & Price platen press at the Hunter Times Museum in West Fargo's Bonanzaville.

While the price may seem a bit spendy, one must take into consideration the enormous labor involved in producing the 40-page chapbook, the fifth since the project first began in 2016.

Dahl's acute imagery approaches the surreal in "Picking a Husband" as she describes how a woman's first love: was an albino with skin like pear blossoms, threaded with faint

blue pulses; his body a lovely map in which she longed to be lost. In bright light, she could see his beating heart pump raspberry juice to his eyes fringed in lashes white as slivers of alabaster.

Anyone living in the Upper Midwest for any period of time has heard stories of following a rope from the house to the barn during a raging blizzard. Dahl's northern roots show in

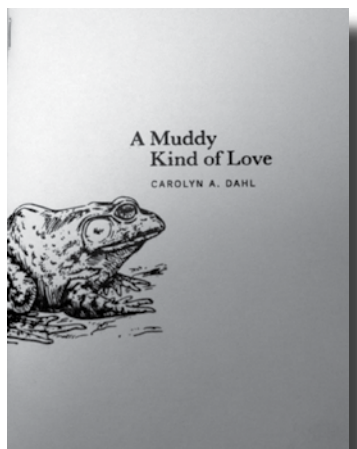
the historically evocative imagery of "Snow Madness":

He grabs the blizzard rope strung from the house to the barn. Closing his eyes to stinging snow that pings his hat, chiming like icicles in a running horse's mane, he pulls himself forward to the comfort of animals.

The value of the signed chapbook lies in the fact that only 382 copies were printed. That certainly makes it a collectible. Probably even more significant is the means of production. Not very many authors can claim to have their work printed on a circa 1890 press. The handcrafted chapbook has a 67-pound stock cover with 32-pound stock for the interior pages. The front-cover artwork was created with 16-gauge wood-mounted dies created by OWOSSO Graphic Arts in Owosso, Mich.

Other chapbooks published in the project are: Land of Sunlit Ice, Larry Woiwode, 2016; Thunderbird, Denise Lajimodiere, 2017; Destiny Manifested, Bonnie Larson Staiger, 2018; and Harvest Widows, Nick Bertelson, 2019.

(Michael Tidemann writes from Estherville, Iowa.)



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Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteers Jo Lambert & Bonny Cote



Older Woman Responds To 'Green Thing'

While checking out at the grocery store, a young cashier chastised an older woman for using plastic bags. She pointed out how plastic bags are bad for the environment, suggesting the customer reuse bags from home.

"We didn't have this 'green thing' back in my earlier days," the customer explained.

"That's our problem today. Your generation did not care enough to save our environment for future generations," the young store clerk replied.

The older woman could have replied in anger. But instead, she told the cashier all about the old days. You know, before

the younger generation started this whole 'green thing'.

"Back then, we returned milk bottles, soda bottles and beer bottles to the store. The store sent them back to the plant to be washed and sterilized and refilled, so it could use the same bottles over and over. So they really were recycled," the older lady explained.

She went on to talk about how grocery stores used brown paper bags, which family's reused at home for different purposes. For example, how kids regularly turned the paper shopping bags into book covers for their school textbooks.

On a roll, the customer pointed out many other things they used to do "back in the day." For example, walking most places rather than driving, hang drying clothes rather than using a machine, one TV for the whole household versus a TV in every room, etc.

"But isn't it sad the current generation laments how wasteful we old folks were just because we didn't have the 'green thing' back then?" she concluded.

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe

On Monday, the 13th, Brandie DeHate and her National Guard buddies left Camp Ripley for the cities, where they were on duty during the Derek Chauvin trial. Brandie and the daughter of Jill and Bernie DeHate.

On Friday afternoon, the 9th, Alice Jobe's sister Phyllis Unruh and friend Marsha Yates stopped for a quick visit on their way home from Indiana; where Marsha had bought a Chow-Chow dog. Marsha lives in Badger. Phyllis lives south of Warroad. The dog was a cutie.

Mike and Sandy Greenwald went to her daughter Cheryl's for Easter. Also Patti and Dave Glennen and Claire, Jack and Lauren. Also daughter Sheena and Adam Buckhouse, Halle, Eleanor and Jack of Aberdeen, South Dakota.

On Wednesday, they at-

tended a volleyball tournament at Jamestown. Their granddaughter played. They later won the championship. Thursday, they went to Shirley Jaeger's funeral in the Cities. They stayed with Rick and Bonnie Greenwald of White Bear Lake. Also saw John Greenwald and Jeff Jaeger and Janet and other relatives.

On Monday, we got about three and a half inches of snow. It had a fair amount of water, which is good.

Thursday afternoon, Plummer Senior Citizens met at 2 p.m. They voted on a scholarship winner from the Senior Class. They had coffee and cookies, etc. It was good to get together after not meeting all winter.

On Tuesday afternoon about fifteen snow geese flew over. They sound different than the Canadian geese.

Saturday, the 10th was National Siblings Day.

Stauffer's is celebrating 150 years of making animal crackers. They have special commemorative containers selling in stores now.

Prince Phillip of England pass away at the age of 99 on April 9th. He and Queen Elizabeth were married in 1947. Prince Harry flew from California to attend the funeral of his grandfather. The funeral was the 17th. It was a small, family only, funeral.

Temps have been about 20° below normal. Hopefully, the farmers will have warmer weather for seeding.

Thursday I called Betty Halvorsen. She was in Motley having breakfast with friends. She lives in Fergus Falls. She seems to have adjusted well down there.

Have a good week.

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

It really got cool this morning. That northwest wind coming from our friendly neighbors in Canada is more than refreshing. It is downright uncomfortable. But it is April and we should expect some cool weather yet. It is probably a reason to pull in our gardening dreams and play a bit of a waiting game yet before full-fledged gardening begins. I wonder who planted potatoes on Good Friday this year. It was possible this year. I hope they don't freeze before they produce some plants and produce potatoes.

Daphne Ellenson celebrates her birthday this week and I hope she has a wonderful birthday. She is the daughter

of Nancy and Matt Ellenson and our granddaughter. She is a beautiful young lady, and of course, that is not a personal opinion, it is the truth. Of course, I am not prejudiced at all. (cough cough)

Dianne Gagner celebrated her birthday last week. Clarence took her out for dinner that evening. During this Covid thing going on, it is hard to celebrate.

Ian Ellenson of Warroad and UND, stopped over to say hello on his way back to school on Sunday evening. It was good to see him. He is doing well with his classes and is making plans for his future very soon.

Our great loss in Brooks is always our oldest citizens. This past week Willidean Katschke passed to join our Lord. She has been a mainstay in Brooks and was "Grandma" to many young children over the years. She baby sat for mothers of at

least 40 children, and she was a kind minder of the kids. She was in Red Hats and was always dressed to the nines when she joined the girls. We will miss Willie, she was always welcome with her smile and her warmth. God rest her soul in peace.

On Sunday Clarence and Dianne Gagner went to the visitation of Willie Katschke. Clarence and Dianne Gagner also went to visit with Arlan and Sheryl Fore after the visitation at the funeral home.

On Saturday Clarence and Dianne Gagner went to Vergas to visit with Tim and Brenda Gagner. While there several men worked together to put together a new dock and positioned it into the water at the lake. Tim and Brenda now live on Loon Lake.

That is all we know for now. We hope you have a great week. Stay safe.

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat?

This weeks photo is of a family from north of town.

Last week's photo was of Irvin Flatgard, Roger Buck, Eddie Larson, Gerald Larson. The photo was taken in 1985 so all busy growing beards for the 75th Anniversary in Oklee for the Beard Contest.

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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