

All area residents receiving Fair Premium List

Red Lake County is hosting the annual fair. It will be held in Oklee and the dates to mark on your calendar are June 24, 25, 26, & 27 - Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

To make sure that all in the area are aware of the event, a premium list is being mailed, through this issue of the Oklee Herald to all residents in the Oklee, Plummer, Brooks and Trail areas.

This copy of the Oklee Herald and the Red Lake County Fair Premium List serves two purposes. Get you enthused about your Fair and introduce you to the Oklee Herald, if you are not familiar with it. We would like to send the

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The "Tri-County Canary" is a supplement to each weekly paper that is a useful tool to be used when looking to buy and sell all kinds of products and services and also carries area news of interest.

We hop you will enjoy the Complementary Oklee Herald and the Red Lake County Fair June 24, 25, 26 & 27th.

THURSDAY, JUNE 24	
6-8 pm	Livestock entries and open class entries
FRIDAY, JUNE 25	
8:30 am	Opening Ceremony
9 am	Booths Open
	Non Livestock entries begin
	4-H judging in the barn with open class to follow
Noon	Non livestock entries close
1 pm	Senior day starts at the Oklee Hall
1:15 pm	Looney Lutherans perform
	FOR SENIORS with bingo to follow
2-6 pm	4-H judging at the school
5:30 pm	Looney Lutherans perform at the Oklee Hall
SATURDAY, JUNE 26	
9 am	Booths open
	Baja registration opens
1 pm	Baja race starts
8 pm	Release of animals and open class livestock, checks can be picked up
SUNDAY, JUNE 27	
9 am-Noon	Booths open
Noon	Release of exhibits
	Open class non livestock checks can be picked up
2:00 pm	4-H awards program at the Oklee Hall

Calendar of Events

Wed, June 9:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

Thu, June 10:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.

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

Sat, June 12:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!

Sun, June 13:
-Worship at the church – check inside for church times and places.

Mon, June 14:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.

Tue, June 15:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.

Wed, June 16:
-11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered – Call to order.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.

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, although 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.

For Polk, Red Lake and Clearwater county stops:
Every Monday – Grand Forks.
Every 2nd Tuesday – Mahanomen.
Every 4th Tuesday – Thief River Falls
Every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesday – Fargo/Moorhead.
Every 2nd & 4th Friday – Bemidji.

Memorial Day Program held Russell Pahlen Park in Plummer



The sun shone, the temperature was warm and the wind was quiet—a perfect day for a Memorial Day program outside. Plummer Post 623 Commander Jerome Bakke was master of ceremonies for the Plummer Memorial Day program held in the Russell Pahlen Park in Plummer.

On a perfect Monday morning, the Plummer American Legion Post 623 held their 2021 Memorial Day Service in the park. Commander Jerome Bakke welcomed everyone attending and then the color guard under the direction of Chuck Simpson advanced the colors. Following the invocation by Chaplain Les Hofstad, Alice Jobe from the Auxiliary and Commander Bakke placed the wreaths, a token of enduring memory for our departed comrades. A thank you was extended to various people including Past Commander Roy Holmes for setting up the crosses in the park, and to those who put American flags on the graves of veterans in Red Lake County.

Commander Bakke delivered the Memorial Day message. "Greater love hath no man, than a man who lays down his life for his friends." 1.3 million soldiers have died in conflict since the Revolutionary War. Why do soldiers fight and possibly give up their life? According to research from WWI by the American Legion there are four reasons. Commander Bakke believes these reasons are still valid today. 1) To keep America safe and secure from enemies who would destroy our American way of life. 2) To protect those they fought with, their comrades. 3) For the American core values of God and country, for family, patriotism and our religious heritage. 4) For our children so they can grow up with the freedoms we have.

Bakke gave a short history of Memorial Day explaining that its roots go back to the

end of the Civil War. Our fallen heroes are honored this day. The ability to go to the lake or enjoy a cookout are just some of the freedoms for which our heroes died. Bakke went on to detail other ways to remember our veterans because their lives gave us the ability to make these kinds of choices: attending the church of your choice, seeing the health care provider of your choice, deciding what you want to eat or what restaurant you want to visit, crossing state lines easily without hassle or paperwork, freely voicing your opinions, making your education and career choices. Bakke said, these freedoms "were paid for by the blood of our fallen heroes; so remember them today and remember them every day."

Following Commander Bakke's address Past Commander Clarence Gagner and Alice Jobe from the Auxiliary read the names of deceased veterans and auxiliary members. After the military salute, taps and retirement of colors, Bernard Steinkopf and Chuck Simpson were recognized for 50 years of membership in the Legion. Then, as in other years, the group reassembled at the bridge on the west end of Plummer to remember those lost at sea. Chaplain Hofstad read a prayer and Alice Jobe tossed the memorial wreath into the river. Following the gun salute and taps the program ended with all being invited to lunch served at the Legion Club.

A video of the program is available on YouTube (<https://youtu.be/WsCsLAu4xug>) and may also be found on Facebook. Submitted: Alice Hofstad



Plummer Post Commander Jerome Bakke presents Chuck Simpson with a Certificate of Continuous Membership for 50 years in the American Legion.



Plummer Post Commander Jerome Bakke presents Bernie Steinkopf with a certificate for 50 years of membership in the American Legion. (Photo by Susan Bakke.)

Oklee American Legion Post 159 Memorial Day Celebration Program



The American Legion Post 159 Color Guard presented the colors for the Memorial Day Program on Monday morning. Pictured is Bruce Bjerklie, Jan Dulka and John Lerohl.

Monday morning there was much activity at the Red Lake County Central school as the people gathered for the annual Oklee American Legion Memorial Day program in the gym.

Promptly at 9:30 a.m. the Post #159 Color Guard marched forward to advance the colors. Chaplain Don Stenberg gave the invocation and the audience sang "My Country 'Tis of Thee" accompanied by Erin (Melby) Crawford.

Special music was presented by Simone Crawford on the piano and Clifton Crawford, accompanied by Erin Crawford on niece's guitar.

Commander Rick Dulka welcomed everyone and spoke about the importance of what veterans have given to our country, serving not only at home but around the world. Commander Dulka also said that if someone was missed and needs to be on the list, to contact any member of the American Legion.

Commander Dulka invited Karena Melby to do a reading and the Honorary Roll Call was read by the members of the American Legion. WWI - John Lerohl, WWII - Don Stenberg & Jan Dulka, Korea - Vincent Dessellier, Vietnam - John Les-

sard, Cold War, Persian Gulf to present - Jan Dulka and the Auxiliary - Ginny Stoneouse.

Bruce Bjerklie talked about the POW/MIA Table that was displayed. Everything on the table has a meaning and emphasizes the loss we all feel when a loved one is a prisoner of war or missing in action and are never forgotten.

The Thief River Falls Quilt-

ing Guild did a special presentation of Quilts to Norman Nelson and Delton Sebenaler. Norman was present but Delton was not present, a photo of him with his quilt will be taken and put in the paper at a later date. His wife Dorothy Sebenaler accepted the quilt on his behalf.

Commander Dulka also asked Ron Hegge to come forward to present to him

a certificate of Continuous Membership for 50 years as a dedicated member of American Legion Post 159.

Noah Hanson played Taps at the end of the program, which touches everyone as they listen solemnly.

After the program the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 159 served coffee and bars.



Norman Nelson (far left) was presented a quilt by the TRF Quilters Guild in honor of his service to the county. Also pictured are Commander Rick Dulka, Shirley Dessellier from the Quilter's Guild and Norman's wife, Ione Nelson.

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Linda Molitor
Sun, June 13: 9:00 a.m.
Zion, 10:30 a.m. Salem.
Tue, June 15: 7:00 p.m. Mutual Ministry meeting at Zion.
Sermons are on GVTEL Channel 35 (10 am Sunday & 2 pm Tuesday), also on Facebook or YouTube.

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

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

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, June 13: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Immanuel. Immanuel Church Council.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith
Pastor Kristen Ostercamp
Sun, June 13: 8:00 a.m. Worship at Ekelund. 9:30 a.m. Worship at Faith. 11:00 a.m. Worship at Bethany.
June 14: 7:30 p.m. Parish Board meeting at Faith.

Sudoku Solution

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



Red Lake Falls Library

New adult nonfiction in memoirs includes "Everything is Fine" by Vince Granata, a memoir about grief, mental illness, and the bonds of family; the author delves into the tragedy of his mother's violent death at the hands of his brother who struggled with schizophrenia; and "Widowish" by Melissa Gould: "When Melissa Gould's husband, Joel, was unexpectedly hospitalized, she could not imagine how her life was about to change. Overwhelmed with uncertainty as Joel's condition tragically worsened, she offered him the only thing she could: her love and devotion. Her dedication didn't end with his death."

A new feature in Northwest Regional Library beginning June 1 is the State Park Pass program. It allows patrons to borrow a pass that provides entry into any of Minnesota's state parks or recreation areas for up to a 7-day period. Call or stop by any branch for more information and to reserve a state park pass.

Deadline: Friday's at noon!

Oklee Senior Site Dining

June 14 - 18

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. Please call by Friday to order your meals for the menu below. If the cafe runs short, it will be Cook's Choice. A \$5.00 per meal donation is suggested.

Mon: Baked ham, boiled potatoes, mixed vegetables, bread, milk, and dessert.

Tue: Hamburger stroganoff, green beans, bread, milk, and dessert.

Wed: 6 pc. Shrimp, hash browns, veggies, bread, milk, and dessert.

Thu: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, corn, bread, milk, and dessert.

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

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ADMIT ONE



Alice Jobe and Clarence Gagner read the names of the deceased veterans and Auxiliary members at the Plummer American Legion's program.



Commander Rick Dulka presented Ron Hegge with a Certificate of Continuous Membership and 50 years service to the Oklee American Legion Post 159.

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Inter-County Nursing Service Weekly COVID-19 Update

*cases from the week of May 27 - June 2

Pennington County

0 NEW CASES	1539 TOTAL CASES	19 TOTAL DEATHS
0 ACTIVE CASE	71 TOTAL HOSPITALIZATIONS	

Red Lake County

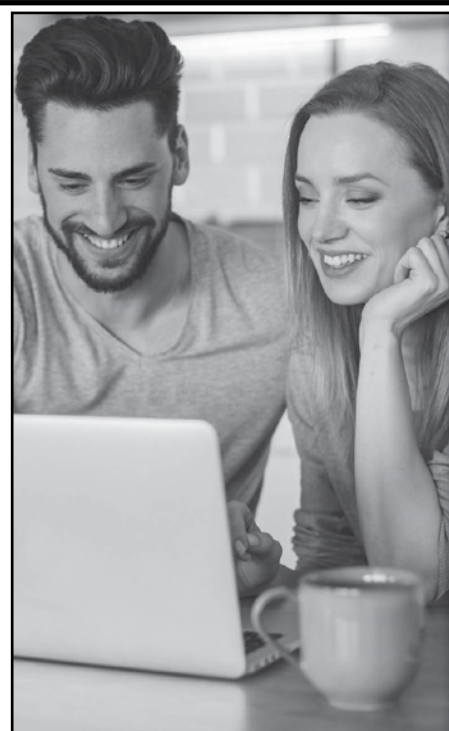
0 NEW CASES	401 TOTAL CASES	7 TOTAL DEATHS
1 ACTIVE CASE	22 TOTAL HOSPITALIZATIONS	

Statistics (6-7-21)

- 602,880 Positive Tests
 - 10,048,275 Complete Tests
 - 4,303,602 People tested
 - 593,553 Patients No Longer in Isolation
 - 7,467 Total Deaths
- As of this printing - Total Confirmed Cases in surrounding Counties:
- Marshall County: 883
 - Clearwater County: 887
 - Beltrami County: 4,054
 - Polk County 3,873 (Total as of 5-27-2021)
- 92 active cases
71 deaths

Vaccination Stats (6-7-21)

	1st	2nd
Pennington	6,310	5,898
Red Lake	1,922	1,791
Polk	13,410	12,406



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Oklee Centennial Cookbook Recipe Corner - From page 307

Apple Pie Sue (Olson) Smith

Crust: (2 - 9" crust pie)
1-1/3 cup flour
1/2 tsp salt
1/2 cup shortening

Mix and crumble to crumbs. Then add 1/3 cup cold water and mix well. Form into a ball. Roll out 1/2 the dough and line pie plate. Roll other half to use for top crust.

Filling:
3/4 cup sugar
1/4 cup flour
1/2 tsp nutmeg
1/2 tsp cinnamon
dash salt
6 apples, pared and sliced
2 Tbsp butter or margarine

Heat oven to 425 degrees. Mix dry ingredients. Stir in apples. Turn into pastry lined pie plate. Dot with butter/margarine. Cover with top crust and make slits. Cover the fluted edge with aluminum foil. Remove the foil 15 minutes before pie is done. Bake 40-50 minutes.



Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial Update

Last week 5 granite blocks were added to the walkway south of the shelter at the Veterans' Memorial. Thanks to John Lerohl, granite blocks purchased by Barb and Cliff Melby in memory of Marvin Bronken and Thomas Melby, both WW II veterans, and Thomas J Melby, Vietnam, were installed in the walkway at the Memorial. John Lerohl also installed a block donated by Barb and Cliff Melby for Val Koralewski, Korean conflict. Cory Koralewski purchased a block for Steve Koralewski, Army National Guard, and that block was placed in the south walkway as well.

Flowers are now planted at the Veterans' Memorial and around the city of Oklee. The Oklee Garden Club has voluntarily taken on the responsibility of watering and maintaining the flowers. Anyone interested in becoming involved with the Oklee Garden Club to assist with planting and watering may contact Barb Melby or Mary Lynn Bachand.

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

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MUSTANG STAMPEDE

RLCC News

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

The High School office will be open Monday – Thursday from 6:00 am until 4:00 pm beginning Tuesday, June 1st.



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

RLCC Track & Field - Boys & Girls

Fri, Jun 18: Boys Varsity State Tournament TBD Away vs. Multiple Schools TBA.

Track & Field: Girls Varsity State Tournament TBD Away vs. Multiple Schools TBA.

Sat, Jun 19: Boys Varsity State Tournament TBD Away vs. Multiple Schools TBA.

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2021 Oklee Summer Recreation Schedule

June 14 - 18

Monday - June 14

1:00 – 2:00 – Games for all ages outside (inside if raining). (Oklee).

2:00 – 3:30 – Girls Softball, Cadets, and PeeWees practice at the softball fields.

6:00-7:00 – T-Ball Practice behind the school at Oklee for ages 3-6 (or 7). Parent volunteers are welcome.

Tuesday - June 15

10:00 PeeWee games at Win-E-Mac. 10:00 vs Win-E-Mac, 11:30 vs Mahnomen. Bus leaves Plummer at 8:45, Oklee at 9:00, Brooks at 9:15.

1:00 – 2:00 - Games for everyone, all ages.

2:00-3:30 – Cadet Baseball Practice, and Girls Softball practice at softball fields.

Wednesday - June 16

1:00 – 2:00 - Games for everyone, all ages.

2:00 – 3:00 Mites practice, ages 7 – 8 behind the school.

2:00 - 3:30 – Cadet/PeeWee Baseball Practice, and Girls Softball practice at softball fields.

Thursday - June 17

10:00 – Cadet doubleheader at Fertile. Bus leaves Oklee at 8:30, Plummer at 8:45, Brooks at 8:55.

10:00 – Bantams and Ponies Girls Softball doubleheader at Clearbrook. Bus leaves Plummer at 8:30, Brooks at 8:40, Oklee at 8:55.

1:00 - 3:00 Games for all ages.

Fridays

No scheduled activities.

Red Lake County Central High School Fourth Quarter Honor Roll 2020-21

7th Grade:

“A” Honor Roll: Jacob Cater, Connor Duden, Will Gieseke, Gunnar Halverson, Hailey Hanson, Emma Hendrickson, Nolan Lundeen, Kendra Morinville, Masen Pahlen, Nickolas Suchy, Colin Taggart, Logan Vettleson, and Peyton Williams. **“B” Honor Roll:** Anne Dolan, McKaelyn Frizzle, Leif Hofstad, Keenan Hopper, Ethan Johnson, Lillie Lundeen, Abigail Morinville, Mckenzie Tofstad, Atley Vettleson, and Dylan Wichterman.

8th Grade:

“A” Honor Roll: Owen Chervestad, Kendra Christianson, Dylan Dahle, Hannah Dudycha, Ciara Mitzner, Luke Peterson, Shelby Sherman, and Ryan Tvedt. **“B” Honor Roll:** Guy Bergeson, Hunter Dudycha, Quinn Graves, Hayz Hanson, Evelyn Kamm, Landon Klasen, Kane Nelson, Ruben Osborn, and Oliver Russillo.

9th Grade:

“A” Honor Roll: Jamie Flatgard, Sydney Fougner, Keira Morinville, Kya Morinville, Peyton O'Neill, and Everett Svendsen. **“B” Honor Roll:** Lilian Hager, Jennifer Johnson, Caden Lee, Ella Moen, Isabelle Morinville, Bryn Vettleson, and Carly Vettleson.

10th Grade:

“A” Honor Roll: Damon Ferguson, Natalie Lindemoen, Shawna Majeres, Aurora Mitzner, Aurim Olson,

Marin Peterson, Payton Rystad, Gunnar Sandeen, Lucille Svendsen, Natalie Vettleson, and Carlee Whalen. **“B” Honor Roll:** Kaleb Fougner, Orin Hofstad, Clowie Magnell, Cael Nelson, Paige Olson, Kaleb Roussy, Molly Smith, Izaiah Stordahl, and Marissa Thomas.

11th Grade:

“A” Honor Roll: Cari Bachand, Zachary Cater, Peyton Fish, Madeline Inda Valdez, Taya Morinville, Leah Peterson, Jonathan Roue, Bailey Sherman, Steven Sogla, Erin Sundquist, and Halie Thompson. **“B” Honor Roll:** Tyler Eskeli, Issabella Plante, Jeremiah Rath sack, Marissa Schiebe, and Shyla Styles.

12th Grade:

“A” Honor Roll: Kia Bachand, Tristyn Ferguson, Daniel Guillemette, Emily Kolstoe, and Katelyn Suchy. **“B” Honor Roll:** Adriel Bakken, Wakely Bryl, Bailey Culkins, George Duden, Jeremy Kruchowski, Karena Melby, Brody Moen, Janae Olson, Morgan Plante, Elijah Rath sack, and Isabella Russillo.



Gerald Melin Subsection Champion in High Jump.



Emma Hendrickson proudly showing her medals.

Rebel Track and Field Team Members Advance to Sections

By Mustang Stampede

Congratulations to the following Red Lake County Rebels Track and Field members for advancing to the Section 8A T&F Meet in Park Rapids coming up on Tuesday, June 8th. In the High Jump, Sophomore, Gerald Melin, will advance as Subsection Champion with a jump of 5'11". Seventh-grader, Emma Hendrickson will advance in the 1600- Meter

Dash with her 4th place finish of 6:05.75. Hollie Knott is advancing in the 100-meter dash with her time of 13.71 and a sixth-place finish. Brody Moen is advancing in the Long Jump with a fifth-place finish of 17'11 1/4". Marissa Schiebe will be advancing in the 100-meter hurdle event with a time of 18.10 and a fifth-place finish. In the 110-meter hurdle, Carson Lambert will

advance with a time of 18.78 and a fifth-place finish. Kiara Sauve will advance in the 100 Hurdles with a seventh-place finish and time of 18.93 and a fifth-place finish in the 300 Hurdles with a time of 51.99. Savanna Nelson will be advancing in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:06.15. Best of luck to all contenders on Tuesday. The boys' and girls' teams both finished in 9th place.



April Students of the Month

By Mustang Stampede Staff

Congratulations to the April Students of the Month, Lillie Lundeen, Junior High Student of the month, and Katelyn Suchy, Senior High Student of the Month. Mr. Bryan Paskvan nominated Katelyn for Student of the Month because of her strong work ethic and willingness to help in class. Katelyn's mother is Kristie Suchy, and her brother is Nick. Katelyn plans on attending the University of Minnesota, Morris where she will major in Elementary Education. During High School, Katelyn has been involved in volleyball, basketball, Riverwatch, yearbook, Minnesota Honor Society. Some of Katelyn's hobbies include reading, baking and cooking, playing with animals, and farming. Katelyn loves spending time with family and friends as much as she can.

Junior high student of the month for April is Lillie Lundeen a seventh grader at RLCC. Lillie was nominated by Ms.

Jessie Hamrum who said, "I nominated Lillie for student of the month because she works hard in all of her classes, gives thoughtful responses in her work, treats others fairly and with kindness. Lillie is also involved in the arts. Lillie is a great student to have in class!" Lillie's parents are Perry and Sally Lundeen. Her siblings are Rosalie, Hope, Haven, Harlan, Hogan, and Hunter. Lillie's favorite class is English. This year Lillie has been involved with One Act play, Three Act Play, and Speech. Congratulations to both Lillie and Katelyn



May Students of the Month

By Mustang Stampede Staff

Congratulations to May Student of the month winners Jeremy Kruchowski and Kiera Morinville. Jeremy is a senior at Red Lake County Central and plans to attend Minnesota State Community and Technical College in Moorhead, MN in the fall. Jeremy is the son of Patrick Kruchowski and stepmom Lori Wold. Jeremy's brothers are Matthew, Jamie, Jason, Jacob, Jesse, Josh, and Corey. Jeremy's sisters are Faith and Kinsley. His favorite class was yearbook. Mr. Aaron Nelson nominated Jeremy

because of his good attitude and great work ethic.

The Junior High May Student of the month is Keira Morinville, the daughter of Chris and Robyn Morinville. Kiera's siblings are Jackson, Brooklyn, Harper, and Easton. Mr. Bryan Paskvan nominated Kiera because of the hard work she puts into her schoolwork and kind attitude to her classmates. Some of the activities Kiera is involved in include Volleyball, Basketball, and JO Volleyball. Congratulations to Jeremy and Kiera.



Plummer Post Rifle squad and Color Guard offer a salute to those who died at sea. They reassembled at the Plummer bridge after the program in the park.

The Clearwater River Watershed begins One Watershed One Plan

The Clearwater River Watershed is beginning the One Watershed One Plan (1W1P) process. This planning process is used to determine the best focus for local time and funding to protect and restore natural resources including lakes, streams, wetlands, forests, prairie, and soil health.

The Clearwater River Watershed is one of the Red River Basin's most geographically diverse watersheds, spanning forest, recreational rivers, lakes, large intact wetlands, wild rice paddies, beach ridges, pasture,

and croplands. The watershed begins west of Bagley following the Clearwater River all the way to Red Lake Falls where it joins the Red Lake River. It also includes the Lost River, Lower Badger Creek, Ruffy Brook, Hill River, Poplar River, Clearwater Lake, Pine Lake and Maple Lake. The watershed encompasses 1,385 square miles (886,400 acres) of land across Clearwater, Polk, Red Lake, Pennington, Mahnomen, and Beltrami counties, the Red Lake Watershed District, and the Red Lake and White Earth

Nations.

The 1W1P will establish clear implementation timelines, milestones and cost estimates for restoration and protection activities. Combining multiple water planning efforts into one effort will create a more efficient and cooperative plan for water management, protecting these natural resources into the future.

Local planning partners want to hear from you about what you care about in the watershed. What important issues need attention now and,

in the future, to continue the progress that has been made in the area? There will be a Public Open House on Thursday, June 10 from 4:30-6:00pm at the Brooks Community Center and 6:30-8:00pm at The Trap Restaurant in Goveck. Refreshments will be provided. This is a free event to provide input on what resources are most important to you. In addition, an online survey is available at this link <https://forms.gle/pfN8D79maiYPv7AM6>.



This week, the front of the post office will not be open. You will have to go to the back door to pick up your mail as the curb and gutter are being put in.

Congratulations to the Class of 2021 Graduates.
School Board Chair Matt Kolstoe presented the diplomas



Brody Moen



Bailey Culkins



Adrial Bakken



Emily Kolstoe



Kia Bachand



Brock Tvedt



Daniel Guillemette



Eric Gieseke



Levi Flatgard



Andrew Gryskiewicz



Faith Hanson



Gavin Galkowski



Morgan Plante



Tristyn Ferguson



George Duden



Isabella Russillo



Wakely Bryl



Zachariah Howard



Isaiah Aquino



Janae Olson



Elijah Rathstack



Jeremy Kruchowski



Karena Melby



Katelyn Suchy

~~ Oklee Project Update ~~



Part of the sidewalks from the RLCC School corner to TJ Tavern were being poured and screed on Monday Morning. Post office access is definitely from the back door this week.



Photo left:
Erin (Melby)
Crawford
accompanied
here son
Clifford,
sang a song
at the Oklee
Veteran's
Memorial Day
Program on
Monday, May
31, 2021.



Photo left:
Simone Crawford
played patriotic
music on the piano
at the Memorial Day
Program.



Photo right:
Noah Hanson played
Taps on his trumpet
at the end of the
Memorial Day
Program on Monday,
May 31st.

Red Lake County 2019 Financial Statement

— RED LAKE FALLS, MINNESOTA —

SUMMARY OF RED LAKE COUNTY'S STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues Fees, Charges, Fines and Other	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
Governmental activities					
General government	\$ 1,451,533	\$ 150,371	\$ 61,293	\$ -	\$ (1,239,869)
Public safety	1,505,305	120,611	283,276	-	(1,101,418)
Highways and streets	368,733	268,074	1,353,592	2,211,539	3,464,472
Sanitation	298,205	20,209	68,910	-	(209,086)
Human services	1,358,781	298,185	910,536	-	(150,060)
Health	63,957	-	-	-	(63,957)
Culture and recreation	86,622	-	54,384	-	(32,238)
Conservation of natural resources	311,307	85,176	169,376	12,549	(44,206)
Economic development	-	12,499	-	-	12,499
Total governmental activities	\$ 5,444,443	\$ 955,125	\$ 2,901,367	\$ 2,224,088	\$ 636,137
General revenues					
Property taxes\$					2,890,784
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs					568,113
Investment earnings					181,222
Insurance dividends					29,281
Total general revenues					\$3,669,400
Change in net position					\$4,305,537
Net position - January 1					49,126,626
Net position - December 31					\$53,432,163

A SUMMARY BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS December 31, 2019

	General Fund	Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund	Social Services Special Revenue Fund	Nonmajor Ditch Special Revenue Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Assets					
Cash and pooled investments.....	\$ 1,798,722	\$ -	\$ 1,778,182	\$ 858,774	\$ 4,435,678
Cash with fiscal agent	25,834	-	-	-	25,834
Investments	73,696	664,972	-	-	738,668
Taxes receivable - prior	36,596	10,050	6,959	-	53,605
Special assessments receivable - prior	-	-	-	981	981
Accounts receivable	960	8,602	-	-	9,562
Accrued interest receivable	27,392	259	-	-	27,651
Due from other funds	34,676	6,500	-	-	41,176
Due from other governments	19,910	12,151,241	131,931	-	12,303,082
Inventories	-	227,962	-	-	227,962
Special assessments - noncurrent	9,438	-	-	-	9,438
Total Assets	\$ 2,027,224	\$ 13,069,586	\$ 1,917,072	\$ 859,755	\$ 17,873,637
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances					
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$ 7,407	\$ 13,810	\$ 6,563	\$ -	\$ 27,780
Salaries payable	74,024	37,288	35,127	-	146,439
Due to other funds	6,500	-	-	34,676	41,176
Due to other governments	3,298	197,845	21,008	-	222,151
Contracts payable	-	108,983	-	-	108,983
Total Liabilities	\$ 91,229	\$ 357,926	\$ 62,698	\$ 34,676	\$ 546,529
Deferred Inflows of Resources					
Taxes	\$ 18,796	\$ 5,162	\$ 3,574	\$ -	\$ 27,532
Special assessments	9,438	-	-	981	10,419
County State Aid Highway Allotment	-	11,426,144	-	-	11,426,144
Total Deferred Inflows	\$ 28,234	\$ 11,431,306	\$ 3,574	\$ 981	\$ 11,464,095
Fund Balances					
Non-spendable	\$ -	\$ 227,962	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 227,962
Restricted	402,524	-	-	824,098	1,226,622
Committed	1,505,237	1,052,392	739,911	-	3,297,540
Assigned	-	-	1,110,889	-	1,110,889
Total Fund Balances	\$ 1,907,761	\$ 1,280,354	\$ 1,850,800	\$ 824,098	\$ 5,863,013
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances	\$ 2,027,224	\$ 13,069,586	\$ 1,917,072	\$ 859,755	\$ 17,873,637

A SUMMARY OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	General Fund	Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund	Social Services Special Revenue Fund	Nonmajor Ditch Special Revenue Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues					
Taxes	\$ 2,038,624	\$ 532,562	\$ 348,426	\$ -	\$ 2,919,612
Special assessments.....	12,549	-	-	89,534	102,083
Licenses and permits	40	-	-	-	40
Intergovernmental	960,588	2,969,083	976,816	-	4,906,487
Charges for services	253,379	250,373	139,782	70,743	714,277
Investment earnings	168,255	12,967	-	-	181,222
Miscellaneous.....	89,779	17,701	158,403	-	265,883
Total Revenues.....	\$ 3,523,214	\$ 3,782,686	\$ 1,623,427	\$ 160,277	\$ 9,089,604
Expenditures					
Current					
General government	\$ 1,436,625	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,436,625
Public safety.....	1,468,896	-	-	-	1,468,896
Highways and streets.....	-	2,620,619	-	-	2,620,619
Sanitation	305,569	-	-	-	305,569
Human services	35,549	-	1,355,542	-	1,391,091
Health.....	63,957	-	-	-	63,957
Culture and recreation	86,622	-	-	-	86,622
Conservation of natural resources	225,364	-	-	85,943	311,307
Capital outlay					
Public safety.....	22,239	-	-	-	22,239
Highways and streets.....	36,920	463,921	-	-	500,841
Total Expenditures.....	\$3,681,741	\$ 3,084,540	\$ 1,355,542	\$ 85,943	\$ 8,207,766
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures.....	\$(158,527)	\$ 698,146	\$ 267,885	\$ 74,334	\$ 881,838
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Transfers in.....	\$ 67,885	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 67,885
Transfers out	-	-	(67,885)	-	(67,885)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$ 67,885	\$ -	\$ (67,885)	\$ -	\$ -
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ (90,642)	\$ 698,146	\$ 200,000	\$ 74,334	\$ 881,838
Fund Balance - January 1.....	1,998,403	821,006	1,650,800	749,764	5,219,973
Increase (decrease) in inventories	-	(238,798)	-	-	(238,798)
Fund Balance - December 31	\$1,907,761	\$ 1,280,354	\$ 1,850,800	\$ 824,098	\$ 5,863,013

SUMMARY OF RED LAKE COUNTY'S STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Governmental Activities	Salaries payable	146,439
Assets		Contracts payable	108,983
Cash and pooled investments	\$4,435,678	Due to other governments	222,151
Cash with fiscal agent	25,834	Compensated absences	173,673
Investments.....	738,668	Noncurrent	-
Taxes receivable - prior	53,605	Compensated absences	107,777
Special assessments receivable - prior	981	Other post-employment benefits	200,782
Accounts receivable	9,562	Net pension liability	2,356,180
Accrued interest receivable.....	27,651	Total Liabilities	\$3,343,765
Due from other governments	12,303,082	Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Inventories	227,962	Related to other post-employment benefits	\$5,714
Special assessments - noncurrent	9,438	Related to pensions	1,167,546
Capital assets		Total Deferred Inflows of Resources ..	\$1,173,260
Non-depreciable	1,512,844	Net Position	
Depreciable - net of accumulated depreciation	37,885,696	Net investment in capital assets.....	\$39,398,540
Total Assets	\$57,231,001	Amounts restricted for.....	-
Deferred Outflows of Resources		General government	64,859
Related to other post-employment benefits	\$9,729	Public safety	3,412
Related to pensions	708,458	Highways and streets	11,654,106
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$718,187	Conservation of natural resources.....	1,059,790
Liabilities		Economic development	68,249
Current		Unrestricted amounts	1,183,207
Accounts payable.....	\$27,780	Total Net Position	\$53,432,163

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Summary Financial Statement
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of financial information concerning Red Lake County for interested citizens. Questions about this report should be directed to the Red Lake County Auditor at 218-253-2598. A full and complete copy of the County Financial Statement is available upon request by calling 218-253-2598, or by writing to the Red Lake County Auditor, P.O. Box 367, Red Lake Falls, MN 56750.

Office	Name	Term Expires
Commissioners		
1st District	Anthony Flage	January 2023
2nd District	Ron Weiss (Chair)	January 2021
3rd District	Delane Dudycha	January 2023
4th District	Allen Remick (Vice-Chair)	January 2023
5th District	Charles Simpson	January 2021
Officers		
Elected:		
Attorney	Mike Lacoursiere	January 2023
Auditor	Robert Schmitz	January 2023
Recorder	Joyce Paquin	January 2023
Sheriff	Mitch Bernstein	January 2023
Treasurer	Nick Knott	January 2023

Appointed:		
Assessor	Nancy Amberson	December 2020
Medical Examiner	Dr. Mary Ann Sens	June 2020
Highway Engineer	**Erik Hove	May 2023
Veterans Service Officer	Kurtis Ellefson	December 2023
Environmental Services Officer	Kurt Casavan	Indefinite

Social Services Board		
Chair	Ron Weiss	January 2021
Vice Chair	Allen Remick	January 2023
Secretary	Anthony Flage	January 2023
Member	Delane Dudycha	January 2023
Member	Charles Simpson	January 2021
Director	Kristi Nelson	Indefinite

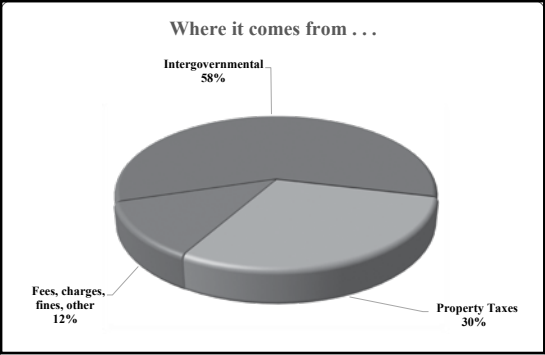
**Appointed April 2019-replaced Interim Engineer Jerilyn Swenson

The following is a list of recipients for Red Lake County expenditures totaling \$5,000.00 or more during 2019. The list does not include salaries to county employees nor do it include individuals who receive federal, state, or county human services.

VENDOR	AMOUNT
AAA Stripping Service Co.....	\$ 27,414.43
Aflac (American Farm Life Assurance Co)	9,706.70
Association of Mn Counties	8,614.00
AT&T Mobility	10,079.19
Auto Value Parts Store.....	10,013.94
Bert's Truck Equipment of Moorhead, Inc.	178,560.00
John Hancock USA	7,850.00
Bjorklund Compensation Consulting, LLC.....	14,945.00
Brooks Auto.....	5,430.44
Brumund Excavating, LLC.....	13,207.30
Cardmember Service.....	23,642.65
Central Pension Fund.....	27,493.95
City of Crookston.....	5,000.00
Clerk City of Brooks	31,406.67
Clerk City of Oklee	254,186.36
Clerk City of Plummer	161,211.19
Clerk City of Red Lake Falls.....	882,940.52
Colonial Life	7,423.32
Commissioner of MMB, Treasury Division	1,210,934.63
Community Co-ops of Lake Park.....	5,903.96
Computer Information Systems Inc.....	25,666.00
Corner House.....	8,561.84
Corporate Technologies LLC.....	18,498.89
Counties Providing Technology	54,557.00
Davidson Construction.....	107,692.50
DBS Backhoe & Excavation LLC.....	7,078.83
Delta Dental	17,946.96
DHS Swift	67,046.55
Environmental Systems Research Institute	5,013.00
EVCO Petroleum Products.....	8,186.45
Field Drainage Inc	6,700.00
Five Star Flooring & Tile	9,172.95

Friends of The Library	6,835.00
Frontier Precision, Inc.....	36,919.56
Galls LLC	6,650.60
Garden Valley Telephone	37,798.34
GCR Tire Center.....	5,122.29
H & L Mesabi	25,950.39
H&R Construction.....	5,959.22
Hartford Life	13,738.81
Headwaters RDC.....	5,000.00
Heartland Girls' Ranch	43,020.29
Hoffman, Philipp, & Martell, PLLC.....	29,500.00
Houston Engineering, Inc.....	15,895.00
Inter County Nursing Service.....	22,457.00
Internal Revenue Service.....	615,737.91
IUOE Local 49	5,040.00
IUOE Local No.49 Health & Welfare Fund	178,560.00
John Hancock USA	7,850.00
Johnson Funeral Service Inc.....	7,922.04
K & K Trucking Inc	19,152.50
Knife River Materials Inc.....	36,395.63
Kruse Backhoe Service LLC.....	13,947.88
Lafayette High School	10,410.00
Lakehead Trucking, INC	7,087.60
Larson Helicopters, LLC.....	17,640.00
Law Enforcement Labor Services Inc.....	5,415.10
Les's Sanitation	41,064.00
M & R Signs Co Inc.....	10,877.11
Magnum Manufacturing, LLC.....	37,500.00
Marco Technologies LLC.....	10,808.53
Matrix Trust Company	7,089.22
Mayo Clinic	12,678.70
Midstates Equipment & Supply	46,480.40
Minn-Dak Asphalt; RJ Zavoral and Sons;	223,672.28
Minnesota Counties Computer Coop.....	18,738.72
Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust	96,330.00
Minnesota Public Employees Ins. Prog PEIP	339,248.74
Minnesota State Auditor	75,640.31
Minnesota Unemployment Insurance	8,920.49
Mn Commissioner of Revenue.....	119,540.21

Mn Department of Revenue.....	73,499.75
Nationwide Retire Solutions Serv Center.....	47,967.20
Nelson International.....	123,637.22
Next Chapter Technology, Inc.....	6,510.00
Norman Co. Social Services	97,756.49
Norman County Auditor/Treasurer.....	27,604.10
Northern Motors, Inc.....	20,490.50
Northwest Regional Development.....	14,893.97
Northwest Regional Library.....	26,732.00
NW Mental Health Center	20,720.05
NW Mn HRA	31,232.23
Office of MNIT Services	10,800.00
Oklee Moonlighters.....	11,969.75
Oklee Volunteer Ambulance	12,500.00
Ottertail Power Company	38,854.70
Pathfinders	42,384.24
Pitney Bowes, Inc.....	12,000.00
Powerplan	46,919.52
Premier Signs	5,040.00
Prowest & Associates Inc.....	5,612.16
Public Employees Retirement Association	499,670.20
Quill	9,964.22
ReadiTech IT Solutions	44,582.63
Red Lake Co Soil & Water.....	156,711.00
Red Lake County Auditor	74,119.98
Red Lake County Child Int/Family Collab.	18,190.00
Red Lake County Committee on Aging	8,435.00
Red Lake County Co-op	169,273.97
Red Lake County Auditor	17,365.40
Red Lake County Fair Board	7,500.00
Red Lake County Park Board.....	5,435.00
Red Lake Falls Ambulance	29,000.00
Red Lake Falls Hardware Hank.....	6,138.04
Red Lake Falls Utilities Dept.....	6,746.97
Red Lake Watershed District	394,855.28



Where it comes from ...	
Fees, charges, fines, other	1,165,628
Intergovernmental	5,693,568
Property Taxes	2,890,784
	<u>9,749</u>

Oklee Herald Early Files

Eighty Years Ago June 12, 1941

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lacoursiere Thursday, June 5th.

Miss Nap Miller and daughters attended a shower at Brooks on Sunday in honor of Miss Verla Morinville.

In a very impressive ceremony at the Lund Lutheran Church at Gully, Sunday, Clifford Larson, son of Mrs. Christ Larson, was ordained into the ministry of the Lutheran Church. He has accepted a call from Big Fork.

Married at the Lutheran parsonage in Oklee, June 10th were Adolph O. Peterson and Miss Luella Klove. Rev. J.K. Lerohl officiated.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eivind Hofstad of TRF was baptized at the Rolf Hofstad home Sunday and received the name of Patricia Anne.

Seventy Years Ago June 7, 1951

Temperatures will average 2 to 4 degrees below normal Thursday, cooling Friday and Saturday and warmer Sunday. Pfc. Richard Bachand, U.S. Army Air Corps, was here on furlough last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Falardeau spent the weekend with relatives at Fort Francis, Ont., Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Egeland visited at the Geo. Lerohl home Sunday. They also brought Johnny Lerohl back after a visit with his grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Vetleson had their baby boy baptized at the morning services at Oak Park and was given the name of Loren Allen.

Sixty Years Ago June 15, 1961

Below normal temperatures over the state during April and May has slowed germination of spring seeded grains and delayed pasture growth.

Dennis Bachand was elected as Grand Knight in the Knights of Columbus this past week.

Rev. Paul A. Cardin was honored at a special Mass for his 25th anniversary as a priest. He was ordained on June 6, 1936.

Marcoux Corner, a well-known junction of Highway 32 and 2 was sold recently by Mrs. Oliver Proulx to Gabe J. Landerville of Argyle who will operate the firm as a partnership with his son, Gary.

Debra Hemley, baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Hemley returned home Wednesday from the hospital in Thief River Falls where she had been a patient for ten days.

David Allan Olson, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. George Olson was baptized at the Zion Lutheran Church on Sunday morning.

Fifty Years Ago June 10, 1971

Mr. Quist, who has been superintendent of the Oklee Public Schools since 1942, and retiring, will be the guest of honor at a special community appreciation event in the school auditorium. Quist commented "The challenge of school administration is that you are working with two things that are very close to the hearts of the people - taxes and their children."

Taking the place of Mr. Quist, is Mr. Marvin Bronken,

who has held the position of Principal of the Oklee Public Schools since 1956 and takes over July 1st.

Elmer Rustan of Oklee, who does a "one-man band" musical show, will perform for the visitors at the Setesdalslaget on Friday afternoon and evening.

Engineers meeting with the Oklee Village Council Wednesday night presented an estimate of \$293,000 as the possible cost of a sanitary sewer system here.

Michael Bourque, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Bourque of Oklee, received an associate degree with a business major from the U of M Technical College in Crookston.

Forty Years Ago June 11, 1981

Oklee Community Hall will be removed. The Oklee City Council supported the removal of the Old Community Hall and the sale of the land it is located on to the Oklee Public School District.

A new customer service - How would you like to have a gas station in Oklee with gas available anytime you need it? This service is coming to Oklee by means of a computerized system called "Cardtrol."

A reception was held in honor of Sharon Jensen, daughter of Alvin and Bonnie Jensen following her confirmation at Zion Lutheran Church last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Berberich and family were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Pietruszewski in Strandquist. They attended the Kostrzewski and Boldue wedding at Stephen on Saturday.

The Setesdalslaget of America will hold it's 72nd annual Convention in Oklee on June 28th & 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlin Thompson announce the engagement of their daughter Carol, to George Longtin, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Longtin of Oklee.

Thirty Years Ago June 12, 1991

Red Lake County Environmental Services and the Red Lake County Sheriff's department have been notified of illegal dumping taking place in Lambert township.

Red Lake County Central Mustang Wrestling Camp was held in Plummer the week of June 3-7. There were 17 children participating in the week long event.

Charles and Carol Bachand, Brooks and James and Kathy Dulka, Trail announce the engagement of their children, Karin Bachand to TJ Dulka.

Airman Kimberly Olson has graduated from the information management specialist course at Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Mississippi.

Twenty Years Ago June 7, 2001

The Red Lake County Relay for Life was held on Friday night. Master of Ceremony was Clarence Gagner and Dorreen Nord, a cancer survivor of 50 years and Keith Pearson, 34 year survivor, led the way to being the first lap.

Ashley Opdahl has been selected as Oklee High School's Student of the Month. She is the daughter of Roger and Debbie Opdahl.

Marisha Pahlen, daughter of Steve and Stacy Pahlen, had her first communion on

Sunday, May 13th at Our Lady of Sorrows chapel in Crookston.

Marvin Bronken, veteran of WWII read a poem called, "Just a Common Soldier" at the Memorial Day ceremony in Oklee on Monday, May 28th.

Ten Years Ago June 8, 2011

The staff at RLCC received a plaque from Bennett & Gloria Osmunson, honoring their daughter Erin Olson, who had taught at RLCC for 16 years as a Spanish teacher and had lost her battle with cancer last year.

Tanya and John Kimball were one of the many acts at the 13th annual Relay for Live event on Friday evening.

Commissioner Brent Stran, who accepted a position with Wells Fargo Bank in Fargo, was honored at the regular commissioners meeting on May 24th.

Kali Borene was one of the speakers at the RLCC graduation. She thanked her parents for adopting her and she told everyone she had the best family ever.

Christiansen & Seyller's upcoming wedding was announced in the paper Sam Seyller is the son of Gerald and Judy Seyller of Trail and Sabrina Christiansen is the daughter of Kelly and Tammy Christiansen of Bagley.



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Brooks: Brooks Travel Center.

Plummer: Red River Ag - Convenience Store.

Red Lake Falls: Eagle Square.

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STORY TO SHARE!

If you have a story or photos you want to share, please send to:

okleeherald@gmail.com

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat?

This week's photo is of a family in the last Oklee History book. This family was raised near Oklee/Trail and the children went to school in Oklee.

Last week's photo was of two youngsters from the area. Kristin (Lambert) Emanuel who lives in Keewatin and Mattheue (Punky) Radniecki who lives in New York Mills.

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.

Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteers Jo Lambert & Bonny Cote

Activities have started at the Oklee Senior Site.

On Tuesday, Bingo has resumed. This starts at 2 p.m. and all seniors are welcome.

On Wednesday there is a group that plays cards. They start at 1:30 p.m. There are three tables available at the Site. Any card games are welcome. They are short Bridge players if anyone is interested in playing or learning.

There are 8 interested in a SAIL Class: This is the class that used to be called Bone Builders. If you are interested, please let us know. Coaches are being trained and will let you know when class will start. All the information I have at this point is that it would be a morning class.

If any seniors have suggestions, please call the Site at 796-5149 or talk to Jo Lambert or Bonny Cote.

Senior Meals: If you want to order a Senior Meal call the Oklee Cafe at 796-5666. Teresa is asking that Seniors call in their order for the week as soon as possible so she can order appropriately. So call in by Friday for the menu in this weeks paper. If you don't

and call in later, you may get a Cook's Choice meal instead.

Craft Shop: is open four days a week - Mon - Tue - Wed - Fri from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. But if you are looking for a gift, and no one is there you can ask Bonny if she is in her office at the Oklee Herald or call Jo Lambert to make arrangements.

Congregate Meals: We are working on getting the dining room open but in order to accomplish that, we will need volunteers to come in and set up for eating. If you are interested in being a volunteer for the dining room, please let Jo Lambert know. We have Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday's covered, still need someone for Thursday.

Dates to Remember

June 9: 1:30 p.m. Cards.

June 10: 2:00 p.m. Rum-mikub.

June 14: National Flag Day

June 15: 2:00 p.m. Bingo.

June 16: 1:30 p.m. Cards.

June 17: 9:00 a.m. Senior Site Council meeting.

June 17: 1:00 p.m. Party for Leona Eleanor Christianson's 101th Birthday! Everyone

welcome!

Animal Facts

A female dolphin will assist in the birth of another's baby dolphin.

Hummingbirds are the only bird that can fly backwards.

A duck can't walk without bobbing its head.

An elephants ears are used to regulate body temperature.

Cows don't have upper front teeth.

A woman in Kansas was asked what she'd like for her 80th birthday. "Just give me a kiss, dear," she replied. "That's one thing I won't have to dust."

A Minnesota tourist traveling through the Arizona desert got into a conversation with an old settler and his son at a filling station. "Looks as though we might have rain," said the tourist. "Well I hope so-not so much for myself, but for my boy here. I've seen it rain!"

So have a good week and will have news on a potluck next week. Thinking about June 22nd. Have to OK it with Teresa.

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe
218-465-4402

Those helping Wilma Arlt celebrate her 90th birthday at Joe DiMagio's in Red Lake Falls, May 28th were Anna DeHate, Cindy & Lowell Arlt, Bonnie & Rick Greenwald, Alice Jobe, Candy & Gary Arlt, Ross Arlt, and daughters Ava and Mya and Aria (Amy's). Mike & Sandy Greenwald, Char and Don Fox, Connie Hughes, and Anne Traxler. They sang "Happy Birthday" and enjoyed lunch with a great variety to choose from. They had birthday cupcakes. Then group pictures taken. It was a surprise party and Wilma really enjoyed it.

Mark and Jana Granum were Memorial weekend guests of Jim & Debbie DuChamp. Becky and David Opatz of Kinsey, MT were weekend guests of Karen Tvedt.

Roger and Lynn Gallant went to Killdeer, ND for the graduation of their granddaughter Cheyanne Wallace. It was on Sunday. Also Anna DeHate and grandson Paul went.

Harold and Elaine Skreland of Inver Grove Heights visited Anne Traxler Memorial weekend.

Peggy and Melvin Hesse and Dean went to Peggy's brothers home, the Clarence Dahl's on Friday the 28th.

RLCC graduates was Friday, the 27th at Oklee. It was live-streamed. The pictures of the graduates when they were young was fun to see.

Memorial Day services were held at Veteran's Park on Monday. Commander Jerome Bakke gave a talk. The Legion marched, posted colors. The

"Star Spangled Banner" and "Taps" were done by Skylar Simpson. There was a pretty good number of people attending. Afterwards, they went to the river. A prayer was read for those who had died at sea. The poppy wreath was thrown in the river by Alice Jobe. Then a delicious lunch was served at the Legion. It was sloppy Joes, macaroni salad, potato salad, bars coffee and lemonade. It was prepared by DeeAnn Eskeli. It was perfect day weather wise.

A flock of around 80 geese flew just over the treetops, largest I've seen this year.

On Saturday, teh 29th, GAVIN McLeod, who was the "Love Boat" captain, passed away at the age of 90. The show ran for 10 years.

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We can say no rain on my plain these days. We had a couple of showers which were not dust busters and didn't even leave a little bit of water in the rain gauge. Others around us have gotten some rain but not a drought buster either. The fields tell the story. They are stagnant or barely growing. Looks like we will have to stay on our knees for more rain.

Jenny and Bryce Huotari celebrated their 17th Anniversary on June 1st. Happy Anniversary to both of you. Jenny is the daughter of Perry and Joyce Morinville, of Brooks. Congratulations.

On Tuesday, Brad and Cheryl Tupa visited with Jerome and Barb Novak. They went out for dinner at Carol's Cozy and enjoyed a leisurely meal

and visiting. Then they went to Thief River Falls for the afternoon. What a fun time for the cousins to get together.

On Friday evening we had rain but not even a tenth of an inch came down.

Happy Birthday to Linda Chandler on Saturday. She is the daughter of Jerome and Barb Novak, and lives at St. George, Utah. Congratulations.

Mary Schindler returned home from a stay in the hospital for the past three weeks. She is happy to be home and has a better outlook now that she is feeling better. Welcome home Mary.

Word was received that William (Billy) Gagner, 47, of Post Falls, Idaho has passed away due to an accident with a four-wheeler. He is the son of the late Mike Gagner of Spokane, Washington, who grew up in Brooks. Our sympathy to the Gagner family.

Graduation parties that Clarence and Dianne Gagner attended last week, were Kate-lyn Suchy on Friday evening. They also attended the party of

Brock Tvedt on Saturday, and Morgan Plant on Saturday. It was a busy weekend of parties.

Jerome and Barb Novak attended the party held for Brock Tvedt on Saturday last week.

On Saturday of this past week, Dianne and Clare Gagner went to visit with Dick and Karen Delage. Dick is working hard to get through his rehabilitation. Keep up the good work Dick. We are praying for you.

I saw a big gaggle of geese going north this morning. It seems late to see geese going north. Even the geese are confused with the weather. And then the world turned upside down. Let's see what happens now.

We hope your week is full of wonder, and that you get a chance to enjoy the nature of our world. With the hot weather we have encountered with record breaking temps; It was a hundred degrees on Friday and Saturday; so we can look forward to a long hot summer I think. We need rain right now but who can second guess when that will come. Stay safe, drink a lot of water, stay cool.

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