



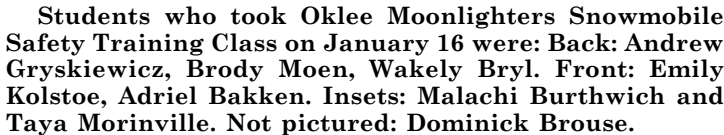
Quilt N' Craft Day

With chapters in all 50 states, Project Linus continues to grow. Blankets are collected locally and distributed to children in hospitals, shelters, social service agencies,

It is Project Linus' policy to accept blankets of all sizes, depending on local chapter needs. All blanket styles are welcome, including quilts, tied comforters, fleece blankets, crocheted or knitted afghans, and receiving blankets in child-friendly colors. Always remember that blankets must be homemade, washable, free of pins, and come from smoke-free environments due to allergy reasons.

Spaghetti Dinner and Game Night February 13th in Oklee

Waliser Tops 1,000 Points



5th Annual Fireman's Blizzard Bonanza

49th Annual Oklee Moonlighters Snow Safari winners list

Oklee Quilting \$10 Gift Certificate: Aaron Bietz, Hope

The winning guess on how many sleds were there was Cole Longtin with a guess of 34 and Tom Weber with a guess of 32. The actual number was 33 sleds.

Pioneer ¾ Zip Shirt from
Ross Hegge-Pioneer Seed: Kyle
Snobeck.

Church news

Ash⁺ Wednesday February 10

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Margaret Jacobus
Wed, Feb. 10: 7:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service at Salem.
Sun, Feb. 14: 9:00 a.m. SS at Zion. 10:15 a.m. SS at Zion. 10:30 a.m. Salem.
Mon, Feb. 15: 9:00 a.m. Quilting at Zion.
Wed, Feb. 17: 6:30 p.m. Supper at Zion 7:30 p.m. Lenten Service at Zion.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH OKLEE
Fr. Adam Hamness
Sun, Feb. 14: 7:30 a.m. Confessions 8:00 a.m. Mass.

BROOKS - RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bill DeCrans
Wed, Feb. 10: 8:30 a.m. Ash Wednesday at St. Joseph at RLF. 5:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday at St. Joseph at Brooks. 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday at St. Joseph at RLF
Sat, Feb. 13: 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph - RLF
Fridays: Stations of the Cross at Brooks & RLF
Sun, Feb. 14: 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph - Brooks. 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph - RLF.
Wed, Feb. 17: Mass at 6:30 a.m. Soup Supper and a Discussion to follow Mass at St. Joseph at RLF. 7:00 p.m. "Lenten Longing" - discussion at Field Drainage in Brooks.

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Wed, Feb. 10: 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service at Ebenezer.
Sun, Feb. 14: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer. 9:00 a.m. SS Immanuel. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Immanuel.
Wed, Feb. 17: 6:30 p.m. Soup & Sandwich at Immanuel. 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service at Immanuel.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith Interim Pastor Phil Johnson
Wed, Feb. 10: Release Time. 6:30 p.m. Supper at Ekelund. 7:00 p.m. Lent Service Ekelund.
Sun, Feb. 14: 8:30 a.m. Bethany; 9:45 a.m. SS. 9:45 a.m. Ekeland; 11:00 a.m. SS. 11:00 a.m. Faith; 9:45 a.m. SS. Faith Annual meeting.
Mon, Feb. 15: 9:30 a.m. Faith Quilting.
Wed, Feb. 17: Release Time. 6:30 p.m. Supper at Faith. 7:00 p.m. Lent Service Faith.

Centennial Recipe Corner

Raisin Filled Cookies Rose Mandt

2 cups brown sugar
1 cup Crisco or butter
2 eggs beaten
1 tsp soda in 1 Tbsp. boiling water
1 tsp salt
1 tsp vanilla
3 cups flour
1 cup raisins—bring to a boil in a bit of water. Then grind them up.

Drop dough mixture from a tsp onto a cookie sheet. Put a little raisin filling on and then spread a little more of the cookie dough on top. Bake at 350 degrees for about 10 minutes.



CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed, Feb. 10: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation. Nazareth: 6:00 p.m. Soup/Sandwich supper. 7:00 p.m. Lent Service. 7:30 p.m. Bible Study.
Thu, Feb. 11: 7:00 p.m. St. Petri Lent Service. 7:30 p.m. Bible Study.
Sat, Feb. 13: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive. 10:15 a.m. SS/Confirmation.
Sun, Feb. 14: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. St. Petri SS. 8:30 a.m. Nazareth SS. 9:45 a.m. Nazareth. 9:45 a.m. Oak Park SS. 11:00 a.m. Oak Park. LYS Retreat at Luther Island Camp.
Mon, Feb. 15: LYS Retreat at Luther Island Camp.
Tue, Feb. 16: 5:00 p.m. Mt. Olive Lent Service. 5:30 Bible Study.
Wed, Feb. 17: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School. Oak Park: 6:00 p.m. Soup/Sandwich supper. 7:00 p.m. Lent Service. 7:30 p.m. Bible Study.
Thu, Feb. 18: 7:00 p.m. St. Petri Lent Service. 7:30 p.m. Bible Study.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Thu, Feb. 11: 12:00 p.m. Rotary meeting.
Fri, Feb. 12: 8:00 a.m. Friday School.
Sun, Feb. 14: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, Feb. 15: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Quilting.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, Feb. 10: 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service at Lund.
Sun, Feb. 14: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Bethany.
Wed, Feb. 17: 2:00 p.m. Sand Valley WELCA. 7:00 p.m. Lenten at Sand Valley.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston
Jon Marx, Lead Pastor
Seth Johnson, Assist. Pastor
Sun, Feb. 14: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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February ECFE Events

Thursday, February 11: "Jars of Love" in Oklee at 6:00-7:00 p.m. for 0-5 year olds. Come and enjoy soup and sandwiches and then create a jar of love by filling it with either chili or muffin dry mix to take home. Try out other fun activities in the classroom with hearts and valentines.

Thursday, February 18: "Nascar Night" in Plummer at 6:00-7:00 p.m. for ages 0-5. Bring a large box, if you have one, or ECFE will provide some too. Come decorate and create your Nascar with a cardboard box, lots of markers, yarn, paper plates, etc., and then test drive it in the hallway. Also enjoy some soup and sandwiches before you start making your car.

Oklee Senior Site Dining

February 15 - 19 Call 796-5666 to order a meal.

If you are over the age of 60 and would like to eat with other seniors at the Senior Site, please call the Café at 796-5666 to reserve your meal. A \$4.00 per meal donation is suggested.

Monday: Taco salad w/ chips, sour cream & salsa, dessert, and milk.
Tuesday: 2 pc. French toast, sausage patty, 1 egg, dessert and milk.
Wednesday: Egg salad sandwich, potato soup, dessert and milk.
Thursday: Hamburger patty, tator tots, vegetables, toast, dessert and milk.
Friday: Birthday meal: Grilled chicken breast, hash browns, vegetable, dessert and milk.

Tri-Valley Public Transportation

To reserve a seat, please call by 3:00 p.m. the day before - 1-800-951-9363. All routes will arrive approximately between 10 and 11 a.m. at the destination. All routes need at least five persons signed up.

Thu, Feb. 11: *Grand Forks* - Thief River Falls.

TRF Caregivers Group Cancelled

The Thief River Falls Caregiver Discussion group that is usually held on the second Tuesday of the month, will be cancelled for February. If you have any questions, call Jaime Hemphill at 218-850-8616.

Annual 4-H Fruit Fundraiser

The Red Lake County 4-H Families are holding their annual fruit sales (apples, oranges, pears, grapefruit, and pineapple). The fruit can be purchased as a half box, full box, mixed box, or a gift box. Also, included in this fundraiser are the smokey snack sticks, beef sticks, and string cheese.

The 4-H Youth Development Program helps kids see their potential through: Learning by doing; practicing leadership projects on gardening, animals, photography, and much more; positive out-of-school time, science and arts enrichment, service to communities...and LOTS OF FUN!

Support your local 4-H Program by contacting a 4-H Family or the Red Lake County Extension Office at 218-253-2897 or 1-800-770-1244. All orders for the fruit fundraiser must be placed by Monday, February 29th.

John Adams was born in Massachusetts in 1735, graduated from Harvard, taught school and became an attorney. He played a leading role in the adoption of the Declaration of Independence and was a signer of the historic document.

In 1789, John Adams served as our nation's first Vice President. In 1796, he was elected the second President and was the first President to live in the White House. Each February, we honor all of America's past Presidents.

Red Lake County Commissioners Minutes

RED LAKE COUNTY Regular Meeting Held December 22, 2015

Pursuant to adjournment of its regular meeting the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners duly met in regular session at the courthouse in Red Lake Falls, MN on December 22, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. Vice Chair Simpson called the meeting to order. Commissioner Weiss was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Social Services Director Kristi Nelson informed that an individual with extensive experience has interviewed for the vacant Social Worker position with Red Lake County. The individual has received all the necessary program training at her previous employment. Nelson asked that the county adjust the starting wage from \$19.45 per hour (Step-1, Grade 24) to \$20.59 per hour (Step-3, Grade-24). The individual would be available to start commencing February, 2016. Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Sorensen to approve the request as presented.

Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Simpson and unanimously carried to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held December 10, 2015 and minutes from the Truth-in-Taxation meeting held December 10, 2015.

Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Lerohl and unanimously carried to approve the expenditures for the period as follows:

Revenue Fund	\$ 24,885.30
Road & Bridge Fund	\$ 99,328.46
Welfare Fund	\$ 244.99
Total:	\$124,458.75

The motion included the following added bills: \$22.45 to Auto Value; \$890.00 to Insight; \$50.00 to Ken's Electric; \$14.82 to Kurt Ellefson; \$15.00 to MPCA; \$1,474.00 to MCIT;

Thank You!

The Oklee Moonlighters Snowmobile Club would like to THANK everyone who participated in the Safari and to the Businesses for their donations and TJ's Tavern for hosting the event.

\$39.46 to Office Depot; \$3.72 to Red Lake County Co-op; \$25.30 expenses and \$70.00 per diem to Chuck Flage; \$57.50 expenses to John Lerohl; \$319.70 expenses to Chuck Simpson, and \$95.00 per diem to Dave Sorensen.

Sheriff Bernstein submitted to the board for adoption a revised listing of fee charges for his department's services. Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Flage and carried by unanimous vote to approve the Sheriff's fee schedule, **Resolution No. 12-02-15**, with an effective date of January 1, 2016. A complete document is available at the County Sheriff's office.

The following Commissioner/Committee reports were shared:

Commissioner Simpson	Meeting/Report None.
Flage	SWCD meeting discussing projects for next year and available grants; attended a One Watershed/One Plan meeting reviewing payments and project maps.

Sorensen Tri County Corrections in Crookston reviewing revenues, probation services and Transition program. Other meetings were: NW Apartments, NW Mental Health, Inter County Nursing, and meeting with Commissioner Weiss and Human Resources to review salaries.

Lerohl NW Regional Development Enterprise Fund meeting. Tim Hoefler appointed to the Loan Fund

Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Lerohl and carried unanimously to approve the annual audit engagement letter with Hoffman, Phillip, & Knutson, LLC, to complete the county's 2015 financial audit.

Auditor Schmitz informed that Ottertail Power Co. voluntarily dismissed its appeal of the Minnesota Department of Revenues valuation of the Ottertail utility operating property for assessment years 2013, 2014 and 2015 for taxes payable in 2014, 2015 and 2016.

The board reviewed a list of annual items for approval for year 2016.

Motion by Commissioner Sorensen, seconded by Flage and unanimously carried to approve the 2016 salary grade table reflecting a 60 cent per hour COL increase for employees.
Motion by Commissioner Le-

rohl, seconded by Sorensen and unanimously carried to approve the Elected Official's salaries for 2016 as follows:

Commissioner Flage	\$14,188.00
Commissioner Lerohl	\$14,772.00
Commissioner Sorensen	\$14,772.00
Commissioner Simpson	\$14,188.00
Commissioner Weiss	\$15,682.00
Attorney:	\$76,710.00
Auditor	\$58,640.00
Recorder:	\$50,465.00
Treasurer:	\$42,666.00
Sheriff	\$66,528.00

All other salaries and benefits are approved as per individual department budgets.

Motion by Commissioner Sorensen, seconded by Flage and carried by unanimous vote to approve that the following county levies be adopted and ordered certified to the County Auditor for collection in 2016 as follows:

Revenue:	\$1,818,405.00
Road and Bridge	\$ 575,000.00
Welfare:	\$ 412,030.00
Total	\$2,805,435.00
Less State Tax Aids:	\$ 194,363.00
Net Certified Levy	\$2,611,072.00

Motion by Commissioner Lerohl, seconded by Flage and carried by unanimous vote to approve the 2016 county budget as follows:

Revenue:	\$3,161,793.00
Road & Bridge:	\$2,240,000.00
Social Services:	\$1,497,918.00
Total	\$6,899,711.00

Motion by Commissioner Flage, seconded by Sorensen and carried by unanimous vote to approve the designated cash flow for 2016 in the following amounts:

Revenue:	\$1,264,717.00
Road and Bridge:	\$ 896,000.00
Social Services:	\$ 599,167.00
Total	\$2,759,884.00

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned until January 5, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

Attest:
Robert Schmitz, County Auditor

Ron Weiss, Chair,
Board of Commissioners
O46C

Statepoint Crossword Theme: Valentine's Day

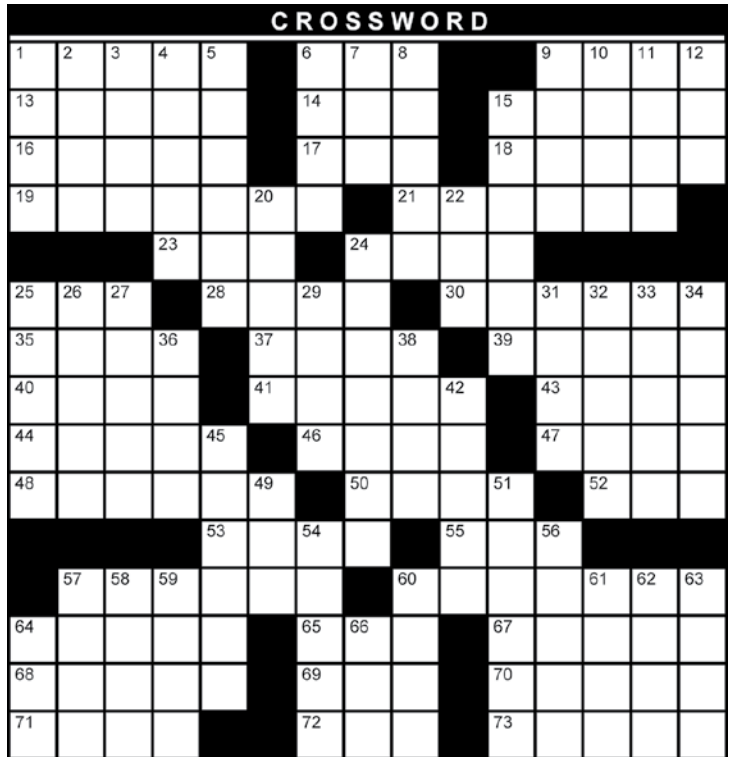
ACROSS

- Often follows "taken"
- Common inquiries
- Tibetan monk
- Shakira's soccer-playing partner Gerard
- Down Under bird
- Female fox
- Greyish brown
- *Romantic destination
- Unable to move
- *Valentine and the like
- *a.k.a ____ Awareness Day to some
- Found on grass some mornings
- *Lover of Aeneas
- *Special celebratory drink
- Preakness, e.g.
- Release of gas
- Baker's baker
- "In the ____" by Village People
- Sound of battle
- "Nana" novelist
- West African storyteller
- ____-do-well
- *Keep nuptials a secret
- Alternative to truth
- German mister
- Nine voices, pl.
- Seaside bird
- Chester White's home
- Lack of clarity
- Workout unit
- *Woo
- *Popular Valentine shapes

- Defendant's excuse
- Cook's leaf
- Torn down
- Imitate
- Grave acronym
- Treeless plain
- *Chaucer or Poe
- Sierra Nevada, e.g.
- An end zone is 10 of these

DOWN

- Address abbreviation
- Objectivity preventer
- Greenish blue
- *Expert archer?
- More keen
- Come clean, with "up"
- Unit of electric current
- To some degree
- End of "traveling"
- Figure skating jump
- Mother in Provence
- "Hardworking" insects
- Relating to wine
- Nasality in speech
- *Words of commitment
- Stray from the accepted
- *Rose amount
- Convex molding
- Cantaloupe, e.g.
- *Form of greeting
- Hyperbolic tangent in math
- Songs sung by three or more voices
- Deflect
- *"Love means never having to say you're ____"
- Back of neck
- Bygone era



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RLCC Menus

February 15 - 19

Oklee

Mon: No School

Tue: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Hamburger patty, French fries, baked beans, fruit, and milk.

Wed: Breakfast: Apple turnovers, cereal, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Chicken burger, cheesy potatoes, vegetable, fruit, and milk.

Thu: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Corn dogs, macaroni & cheese, fruit, vegetables, and milk.

Fri: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Potato soup, egg salad sandwich, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Mon: No School.

Tue: Breakfast: Brown sugar/cinnamon PopTart, cereal, Go-Gurt, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Pork riblet, macaroni and cheese, glazed carrots, fruit, and milk.

Wed: Breakfast: Egg & cheese omelet, toast, cereal, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** French toast, sticks, ham patty, carrot dippers, fruit, and milk.

Thu: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Chicken drumsticks, ranch flavored mashed potatoes, corn, fruit, dinner roll, and milk.

Fri: Breakfast: Hot oatmeal or cold cereal, yogurt parfaits, toast, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Potato soup, Ritz Bitz & cheese, salad, cheese or PB sandwich, fruit, and milk.

Sports Schedules

RLC Rebels

Boy Basketball

Thu, Feb. 11: Clearbrook-Gonvick at Clearbrook 2:30 & 4:30 p.m.

Sat, Feb. 13: Super Saturday at Northand CC TBD.

Tue, Feb. 16: Northern Freeze at Plummer 5:00 p.m.

Thu, Feb. 18: Mahnomen at Red Lake Falls, 6:00 p.m.

Tue, Feb. 23: Section 8A Pig Take High Seed TBD.

Thu, Feb. 25: Section 8A Play in Game TBD TBD.

Sat, Feb. 27: Section Qtr Finals

Tue, Mar. 1: Section Semi-Finals

RLCC Mustang

Girls Basketball

Thu, Feb. 11: Clearbrook-Gonvick at Clearbrook 1:00 pm. & 4:30 p.m.

Fri, Feb. 12: Sacred Heart at Plummer 6:00 p.m.

Fri, Feb. 19: Grygla-Goodridge at Oklee 6:00 p.m.

Mon, Feb. 22: Mahnomen at Mahnomen 6:00 p.m.

Northwest Wrestling Tournament

By: Seth Paradis

Fertile was the site for the Northwest Wrestling Tournament on Saturday, January 30. The top three teams that had the most points were Minot in first with 247.0, Fertile-Beltrami in second with 131.5 and Thief River Falls in third with 130.0. Red Lake County Central placed tenth with 49.0 points.

RLCC's wrestlers individual results were Tristan Larson wrestling heavyweight taking first, and Dylan Gustafson wrestling 138 lbs taking fifth. Placing sixth were Nick Pahlen at 195, Bryce Bergerson at 106, Tyler Sandahl at 120 and Alec Castaneda at 220 lbs. Kyle Gagner wrestling at 160 lbs did not place.

RLCC's junior high wrestlers who placed were Tristyn Ferguson and George Duden. Ferguson took first place at the 152 lb weight class. Duden placed fourth at 180 lbs.



Mr. Michael Swenson nominated Marie Johnson and Devin Lambert was nominated by Mr. Randy Huie for January Students of the Month at RLCC.

January Students of the Month

By: Nicole Riendeau and Ethan Vetteson

Red Lake County Central High School in Oklee recently announced two students named as the January Students of the Month. They are Devin Lambert and Marie Johnson.

The RLCC Senior High Student of the Month was Devin Lambert, a senior who is 17 years old. His parents are Scott and Shannon Lambert, his siblings are Conner, Carson, Reese, Benjamin, and Alden Lambert. He is involved with football, basketball, track, and Student Senate. His hobbies include hanging out with friends and sleeping.

The teacher who nominated Lambert was Mr. Randy Huie.

He said Lambert is a strong academic student with having A grades in all classes. He has aced four out of seven tests this year in Economics. He is a strong student leader. Huie added, "Devin is a true team player on the RLC basketball team by accepting his role on the team and playing time. He exhibits true character. Devin has represented our school, community, his family, and our Track and Field team this past summer by going to Australia to compete for the Team USA in the Down Under Track and Field competition."

RLCC's Junior High Student of the Month for January was Marie Johnson. She is in 9th grade and 15 years old. Her

parents are Pam and Jeff Johnson and she has one sibling, Seth Johnson. Her school activities are basketball and band. Some of her hobbies are playing basketball, taking pictures, and fishing with her dad in the summer.

The nominating teacher was Mr. Michael Swenson. He stated that Johnson is a student who does her best in each of her classes as well as in sports. She pushes herself to do her very best. "Marie is quietly sure of herself and budgets her time very well. She is quick to smile and works well with her classmates."

Congratulations, Devin and Marie.

Red Lake County farm family directs donation to local Red Lake County Central School

(Oklee, MN) (January 29, 2016) – Red Lake County Central School has received a \$2,500 donation from America's Farmers Grow Communities, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund and directed by the local farm family of Lora and Charlie Johnson of Red Lake County. The donation will help the RLCC School continue to support the RLCC Elementary Basketball programs. This gracious donation from Charlie and Lora Johnson will be used for tournament fees, new age appropriate basketballs, transportation costs, rental costs for the Hall as we have about 100 students involved and need as much space as possible, and we are looking at equipment additions for the possibility of 8 ft. baskets at the elementary.

The Johnson's selected the RLCC Elementary Basketball program to financially help because they have, and have had Grandchildren in the program and feel the support of this program which focuses on developing and improving skills, teamwork, physical activity, and a spirit of competitiveness will be money spent continuing to build the RLCC Basketball program.

The RLCC School greatly appreciates the Johnson's financial support and their acknowledgement of the importance of sports and

competition for the youth of our School and communities.

For six years, America's Farmers Grow Communities has collaborated with farmers to donate over \$22 million to more than 8,000 community organizations across rural America. Winning farmers will direct donations to nonprofits to help fight rural hunger, purchase life saving fire and EMS equipment, support ag youth leadership programs, buy much needed classroom resources, and so much more.

America's Farmers Grow Communities partners with farmers to support local nonprofit causes that positively impact farming communities across rural America. Grow Communities is one program in the America's Farmers community outreach effort, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund. Other programs include America's Farmers Grow Ag Leaders, which encourages rural youth to remain in agriculture and provides \$1,500 college scholarships to high school and college students pursuing ag-related degrees and America's Farmers Grow Rural Education, which works with farmers to nominate rural school districts to compete for \$10,000 and \$25,000 math and science grants. Visit www.AmericasFarmers.com to learn more.

Red Lake Falls Library News

New adult fiction: "Girl Through Glass" by Sari Wilson, a story about "eleven-year-old Mira, an aspiring ballerina in the romantic, highly competitive world of New York City ballet, set in the summer of 1977. Enduring the mess of her parent's divorce, she finds escape in dance ó the rigorous hours of practice, the exquisite beauty, the precision of movement, the obsessive perfectionism. Ballet offers her control, power, the promise of glory, and also introduces her to 47-year-old Maurice DuPont, a reclusive, charismatic balletomane who

becomes her mentor."

Also, "After She's Gone" (West Coast Series) by New York Times bestselling author Lisa Jackson; this story "delves into the deep bond between two sisters and their shared dream that becomes a harrowing nightmare of madness, hatred and jealousy." (from Amazon.com)

This week's winners of Hot Reads for Cold Nights ceramic mugs are Jason Gaudry and Wanda Juhl. The adult winter reading program continues throughout the month of February. Stop in to register to win.

President Day Break, February 12 and 15

By: Taylor Klasen

Due to Presidents Day, the Red Lake County Central High School and Elementary School will have no school on Friday, February 12 and Monday, February 15. School will resume as normal on Tuesday, February 16. This would be a good time to schedule appointments.

RLC Speech Schedule

By Ana Almeida

The Red Lake County speech students have been practicing for the 2016 speech season. The speech team is coached by Mrs. Judy Schue, Mrs. Roberta Aakhus, and Ms. Jessie Hamrum.

The upcoming scheduled meets are on Saturday, February 6 in Blackduck; on Thursday, February 18 at Crookston Jr. High; on Saturday, February 20 in East Grand Forks it's the Coach's Classic; on Saturday, February 27 in Bemidji; on Thursday, March 3 at Warroad Jr. High; on Saturday, March 5 in Walker; on Saturday, March 12 in Warroad; on Thursday, March 17 at the Fisher Jr. High; and on Saturday, March 19 at RLCC. Sub-section 31A is going to be at Oklee on Saturday, April 2, and Section 8A at Fosston on Tuesday, April 5. The State A & AA Speech Competition is Friday and Saturday, April 15 and 16.

Twenty-three RLC students currently are involved in speech. Students in the Poetry Category are Heaven Heard, Allison Aakhus, Lilly Guilmette, Jayden Iverson and Lana Bravo. Participating in the Read category are Kjersten Walton and Natalie Aakhus. Students in the Prose category are Deidra Walton and Jenna Pahlen. The students participating in the Humor Category are Sydney Melby, Jade Person, Allison Aakhus, Lilly Guilmette, Abby Walton, Lily Hanson, Serenity May, Remi Rathsack and Carly Williams. Kjersten Walton is also participating in the

Disco category, and Natalie Aakhus is also in the Story category. Shelby Gunderson is in the Speeches category, David Clifton is in Inform category and Jayden Fore is in the Creative category. Jade Person is also in the Duo category with Lilly Guilmette. Kara Longtin is paired up with Tom Nelson in the Duo category. Zoe Russillo is in the Duo category with Phillip Sorenson. Lily Hanson and Serenity May are also in paired in the Duo category.

Knowledge Bowl Week Four

By Ana Almeida

Red Lake County Central Senior High School students went to Thief River Falls Wednesday, February 3 for the fourth Knowledge Bowl meet. The team is coached by Mr. Bryan Paskvan.

Out of 36 teams, Bemidji Blue placed first with 118 points, followed by Greenbush-Middle River Black with 87 points, and Win-E-Mac Red with 81.5 points.

RLCC participated with four teams. The RLCC Blue placed 23rd with 50 points and included Taylor Bushelle, Ana Almeida, Seth Paradis, Nick Pahlen and Makay Berns. The RLCC Silver team placed 25th with 49 points and included Angel Auman, Kelsie Sirjord, Ashley Longtin and Nikki Schmitz. The RLCC Black team placed 32nd with 42 points and included Jade Person, Sidney Melby, Katie Olson, and Kara Longtin. The RLCC Red team placed 34th with 33 points and included Megan Berberich, Natalie Aakhus, Nick Piersol, Deidra Walton and Tera Qualley.



Lacey Pendelton, Katie Pendelton and Shelby Gunderson's finished canvases.

Painting Class held at RLCC

By: Katie Pendelton

There was a painting class taught by Sandra Tougas on Monday, January 25 at the RLCC High School in Oklee. The class was available for sixth grade and up, and adults were welcome to attend. Tougas taught the class how to

paint a picture of birds. The class painted the picture with acrylic paints and painted it on a canvas.

The first step of the class was painting the sky. The sky colors were blended. Next the class painted the branches and added leaves to them. Then

the birds were painted onto the canvas. The painting took approximately two hours to do.

Those who took the class were Karena Melby, Sydnie Gunderson, Sydney Melby, Shelby Gunderson, DJ Bernstein, Lacey Pendelton, Katie Pendelton, Jerry Schue, Kjerstin Nelson, Bailey Sherman, and Avery Sannes.

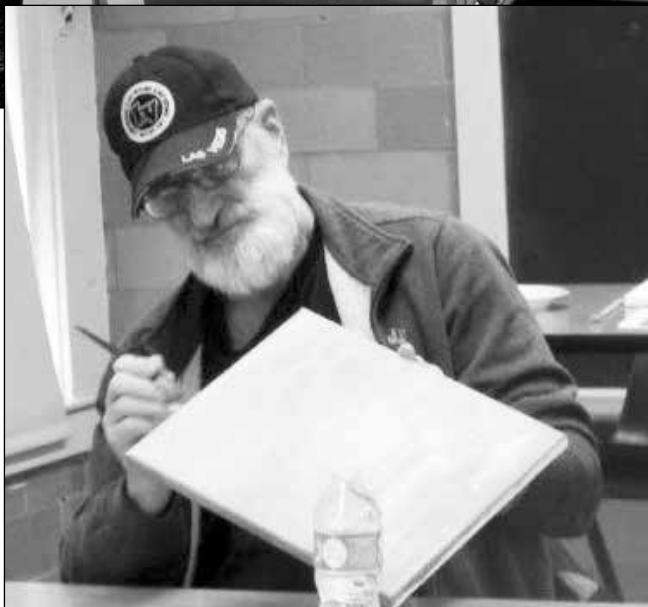


Above: Eleven participants busy painting during a class taught by Sandra Tougas.

Right: Jerry Schue painting the background on his canvas.

Skating Rink in Oklee now open

The Skating Rink in Oklee is open Monday through Friday 3:30-8:00 p.m., Saturday around 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., and Sunday noon to 8:00 pm. Closed during home events at the school.



Oklee Herald Early Files

Seventy Years Ago February 7, 1946

A severe blizzard stuck the entire area, Tuesday and yesterday. Farther south, at Fargo, the wind velocity reached 50 miles per hour. A heavy snow filled the streets in the evening and by morning the strong wind had piled the snow into four foot drifts on the sidewalks.

A groups of relatives and friends gathered at the Ole K. Flateland home east of town on Wednesday on the occasion of Mr. Flateland's 80th birthday.

Miss Burdell G. Larson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lars Larson of Oklee and Elmer V. Olson of Baudette, were married immediately following the services in Salem Lutheran Church, Garnes on Sunday, February 3rd.

Sixty Years Ago February 9, 1966

John Gjernes is now gaining teaching experience as a student teacher in Bemidji State Teachers College laboratories. He is teaching physical education at the school.

Mrs. Selma Larson announces the engagement of her daughter, Catheryn Margaret to Douglas Steiger, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Steiger of Red Lake Falls.

Fire starting in the basement at the Fred Bertch home in Gully Tuesday evening caused extensive damage to the home and furnishings.

Fifty Years Ago February 10, 1966

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Strande of Gully, announce the engagement of their daughter Judith Ann to William Peter

Brandt, son of Al Brandt and the late Mrs. Brandt.

Miss Marie Sordahl entertained at her home Saturday in honor of Mrs. Ann Person's 78th birthday.

Army Pvt. John A. Klasen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Klasen of Oklee, completed a combat engineer course at Ft. Lenard Wood, MO on February 4th.

Forty Years Ago February 5, 1976

A Bi-Centennial Brothers of the Brush contest has begun in the Oklee area and is sponsored by the Oklee Jaycees and the Moonlighters.

Mrs. Julia Rindahl celebrated her 81st birthday on Sunday with many friends and relatives at the Orlien Rindahl home in Fosston.

Margaret Kirick, a member of the 1976 girls basketball team at Oklee, was named to the District 30 All-Conference team.

Thirty Years Ago February 5, 1986

Postmaster Clarence Gagner is the first postmaster from the United States to have received the 1985 Meritas Award.

The first annual Oklee Scotch Doubles Bowling Tournament was held on January 25th with eighteen couples participating.

Jason Nelson won a basketball at the Pepsi Hot Shot Contest at Northland Community College on January 18th. He completed in the 13-14 age group and won by having the highest number of points from five different positions in one minute. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Nelson.

Twenty Years Ago February 7, 1996

Now members of this generation will be able to recall and tell about making it through the "coldest spell in over 100 years." The Governor of Minnesota has called school off all over the state because of the cold weather.

Fifteen years ago –2001

A Fosston woman was found frozen and remarkably survived – Jean Hillaird. The crew of the NBC network show "Unsolved Mysteries" has been in the Fosston area filming her story.

Charles Bishop, coach of the former Oklee Bobcat and present RLCC Mustang wrestling team, was presented a plaque by his wrestling team in recognition of his 200th wrestling team victory.

Ten Years Ago February 9, 2006

An Economic Summit was held in Oklee at the Senior Site and was open to the public. The purpose was to familiarize the public with options for the future growth of Oklee using resources from Northwest Minnesota Foundation.

After 19 years, a Mustang wrestling record has been broken by Mikel Magnell. He surpassed the long held record of 135 career wins, previously held by former Oklee wrestling standout, Todd Bergeron.

"Opening Night," the play directed by Mike Swenson of the RLCC High School makes Regions. Cast includes Brianna Detterman, Corey Olson, Angela Paquin, Kayla Hamm, Becky Cote, Katie Lundeen, Megan Demaris, Molly Hagen, and Celine Fabrequette,

Senior Site News and Other Things

By Volunteer Iona Berry

Sunday morning and no snow or winds so far. I'm sure they will be appearing soon.

The week seems to have gone by quickly, it must be because the temperature has been so nice. January passed so quickly with only one week of below zero to contend with.

Last week Sue Beaudoin conducted a class of Card Making at the Site. Everyone who attended made at least one card. I had instructions from Sue and I made a very nice card, with a lot of help from her.

I visited with Rose Mandt at the Fosston Nursing Home yesterday. She is improving and we had such a nice visit. As I walked out, I met Hilda Opdahl who is there recovering from a broken hip. She was in good spirits and was walking with a walker. With ice on sidewalks and roads, it is so easy to fall. When I left the nursing home, I went to the Embassy Center where Carol Wold's birthday party took place. She is a classmate of mine.

Dates to Remember

Feb. 16: Potluck
Feb. 18: Site Council meeting.
Feb. 19: Birthday meal.

Words of Wisdom

Remember the eyes of youth look forward, never backward.

Joke Time

There were three vicars discussing their problems with cockroaches in their respective churches. The first vicar said, "I



We had our evening meal with a King and Queen chosen. The queen was Linda Box and the King, Alvin Jensen. We were entertained by Arlan Brekke who played his violin for us. He played so many old tunes and everyone enjoyed them.

called the council exterminator, but even he couldn't get rid of them."

The second vicar said, "I've tried putting down poison, but nothing seems to get rid of them."

The third vicar said, "I managed to get rid of all mine. I simply baptised them all and I haven't seen them since."

Teacher: Can anyone tell me what a shamrock is?

Student: It's a fake diamond.



Plummer News By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

Nikolas Majeres, son of Sylvia and Greg Majeres, of Plummer was baptized at St. Joseph's Church in Brooks on Sunday, January 24th.

Nancy Peterson, Judy Kelley, and Jean Carpenter went out for dinner on Thursday.

Jerry Skjerven, Tony Gerardy, Pat and Chuck Simpson went ice fishing earlier in the week at Red Lake. Most of them had pretty good luck.

Alice Jobe visited Jean Matt and Fern Eskeli at Oakland Park on Tuesday.

Tri River Pioneers met on Monday. We got two new members, one is Eric Mickelson. We voted to not put on the fourth of July celebration this year. The fire truck will be

worked on. We plan to have a Minneapolis Moline coloring contest at Plummer School. Eric Mickelson told us it was the birthday of John Deere on February 7th. He was from Ottumwa, Iowa which I went through once. Ottumwa is a Indian Word meaning ripping waters.

Alice Jobe visited Faith Guillemette on Friday afternoon.

Emilie Skjerven, Melanie, Bob and Joey Parisse enjoyed a trip to Orlando, Florida. They went sightseeing and also visited Bob's parents. They were gone for a few days.

The Plummer ladies went out for dinner on Friday to the Cozy Bar and Grill in Brooks. They were Jean, Bunny,

Emilie, Wilma, Loretta, Ann, Connie, Anna and Alice.

The past Sunday, I had a magpie fly over my place. It is quite unusual. Though I've seen them in the county, in town it's a rarity. I don't know if he had a nest. They are kind of pretty in flight, metallic green tail, black & white body, more white on the breast. They're a long bird.

This past Tuesday when I was in Thief River Falls, I went past Falls Radiator. They had made a 6 or 7 foot snowman out of used radiators. It had a black hat and face. It was quite clever. The guy from KKDQ said he'd seen it on the way to work. Quite an idea.

Nice we got some fresh white snow.

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

Mother Nature pulled an Alberta Clipper on us over the weekend. We didn't get a lot of snow but the wind did its sculpting of the snow on the prairie. Some odd shaped snow banks adorn the yards and buildings. Makes for beautiful photography.

On Monday and Tuesday Jerome and Barb Novak attended the wake and funeral of Gladys LaCrosse, their neighbor. Our sympathy to the La Crosse family. She will be missed by family and friends.

Sometimes we think we live in a non-caring world but on Tuesday Elaine Radniecki found that not to be true. Elaine was walking to the post office to get her mail. She slipped on the ice and was down in a second. She couldn't get up and two men saw her stopped their vehicle and helped her up. They took her to the post office and then took her home. She had a gash in her head and she was bleeding. After she got home, Inez Riendeau came over and took her to the hospital to the emergency room. She was released and sent home after some treatment. On Friday Inez Riendeau took her back to

the doctor for aftercare. Elaine would like to say Thank You to the two men but she didn't know who they were. She also thanks Inez who went out of her way to help Elaine when she needed a ride. Living in a small town is a blessing. Good people and fine neighbors abound in our small towns.

Inez Riendeau has been helping Elaine even further by bringing her the mail since Elaine fell. She said she will continue to do so until the weather melts some of the ice.

Valentine's Day is coming next week, and all you kind guys who want to treat their sweet significant others, should take note. It doesn't have to

be a great wonderful fancy restaurant or a big vacation, but even the small kindness of taking her out to the local happy place could be welcome. I hear there will be music at the Cozy from 4-8. Carol also will have specials like Rib Eye, Grilled Shrimp, and of course Broasted Chicken. Give the wife a break away from the stove. Even a small box of chocolates is in order for your loved one. Kindness is a big plus on Valentines Day.

People of the week. The two men who helped Elaine on Tuesday. We don't know who they are, but you are kind and helpful. Thank you.

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“Herbicide Resistant Weeds” (Part 2) Occurrence of Resistant Weed Bio-Types

Selection for change in weed populations begins when a small number of plants(a bio type) within a weed species have a genetic makeup that enables them to survive a particular herbicide application. Where this difference in genetic make up originated is not clear. However, herbicides are not known to directly cause the genetic change that allows the resistance. The resistant bio type, therefore, is present in low numbers in natural populations and when a herbicide is applied, most of the susceptible weeds die but the few resistant weeds survive, mature, and produce seed. If the same herbicide continues to be applied and the resistant weeds reproduce, the percentage of the weed population that is resistant will increase.

It is difficult to predict exactly which species will have bio types resistant to a given herbicide. However, it has been learned from previous pesticide resistance problems that the occurrence of herbicide resistant weeds is linked directly to the herbicide program used, the weed species present, and the crop management practices employed.

Key To Resistance Prevention

Selection intensity acts, in a sense, like a filter that can screen out susceptible weed bio types while leaving resistant bio types. Herbicides by definition are effective weed killers; therefore, they have the potential to exert heavy selection intensity on weeds. The more susceptible a weed species is to a given herbicide (i.e. the greater the weed control) the greater the selection intensity. As a result, the rate of selection for resistance can be quite rapid if the same herbicide or herbicides with the same site of action are repeatedly used in a specific field.

With such highly effective herbicides, one would think that the increase in the number of herbicide resistant bio types would be readily observable. This is not the case. Resistant bio types generally are only detectable when they make up about 30% of the population. During the first several years of a weed control program that relies on only one herbicide, the proportion of resistant

bio types is very low (less than 1% of the population). As long as the application of this herbicide continues and the resistant bio types reproduce, the proportion of the population that is resistant will increase. It is very common to go from excellent control of a particular weed species to very poor control within one growing season. A gradual decline in performance is seldom seen. A rapid increase is usually found in the proportion of a kochia population that is resistant following repeated annual applications of the sulfonylurea herbicide “GLEAN”. In field situations, resistance to sulfonylurea herbicide herbicides has been reported to occur after 3 to 5 years of repeated use. With triazine herbicides resistance has generally appeared after seven or more years of repeated use. Therefore, depending upon the proportion of the population that was initially resistant to a herbicide, repeated use of a product for more than two years could develop a herbicide resistance problem.

Factors That Increase Selection Intensity

The herbicide characteristics that affect herbicide resistance are as follows:

1. Herbicides that act on a single site of action.
2. Herbicides that are applied multiple times during the growing season.
3. Herbicides used for several consecutive growing seasons or repeated application of herbicides with the same site of action or different crops.
4. Herbicides used without other weed control options (e.g. cultivation) and are considered “stand alone” weed control programs.

Single site of action herbicides

Several herbicide families interfere with only a single site of action. Herbicides that interfere with single sites of action are generally more likely to select for resistant weeds because a change in only one gene may be enough to affect a herbicides binding potential to the site of action. Therefore, it is more probable that a resistant weed population will develop if a difference of only one gene is required.

Multiple site of action herbicides

Based on the line of reasoning for single site of action herbicides, if a herbicide has multiple action sites it is less likely existing bio types will have the genetic differences at all of the sites of action that will result in resistance. Therefore, it is less likely that weeds will develop resistance to herbicides with multiple action sites.

Herbicide cross resistance and site of action

A change in a site of action that results in resistance to a particular herbicide may or may not result in resistance to other herbicides that are active at the same site of action. The reason for this is there can be many different binding sites at a particular site of action (e.g. an enzyme) and those binding sites can be very herbicide specific. Therefore, several different herbicides may bind to the same enzyme but at different sites on the enzyme. As a result, it is not possible to predict herbicide cross resistance; however, the greatest potential for herbicide cross resistance exists among herbicides of the same family and having the same site of action.

To illustrate cross resistance, both the imidazolinone (e.g. PURSUIT and SCEPTER) and sulfonylurea (e.g. Classic) herbicides are ALS enzyme inhibitors.

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat?

This weeks photo is of four students at Oklee High School.

Last week's photo was of Vi Cote's daycare kids from 1995. They are Zach Grove, James Stoneouse, Dale Rystad, Trent Nelson, Teagan Nelson, and Skyler Bergeson.



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