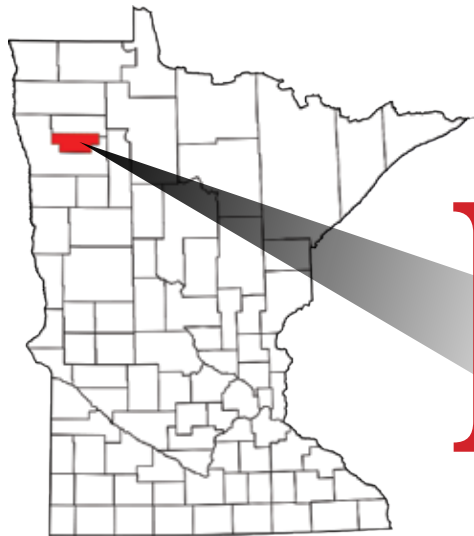




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Pictured above: Piano students of Chelsey Vettleson perform their Spring Recital at Salem Lutheran Church. Back Row L to R: Kendra Morinville, Kassidy Torgerson, Olivia Vettleson, Lola Hendrickson, Ava Kolstoe, Malayna Hamm. Front Row L to R: Gwenyth Nelson, Ashlynn Knutson, Jaylee Gagner, Bree Dyrdal.

Talented young pianists perform recital at Salem Church on April 30th

Chelsey Vettleson and her piano students held their Spring Recital on Sunday, April 30th at Salem Lutheran Church. This is Chelsey's tenth year providing piano lessons to

boys and girls in the area. Of her ten students, three students who performed at the recital are in their first year of piano. The other seven students have been with Chelsey for a number

of years, growing leaps and bounds between their annual recitals. Her lessons take place at the RLCC Elementary and High School locations, making

it very accessible to those who are interested in their child learning piano. The young musicians and Mrs. Vettleson did a wonderful job!



RLCC High School Prom "Golden Hour" Held April 29th



Pictured above: RLCC Senior, Caleb Nymann, and his date Marissa Schiebe, rode to Prom in style. The couple arrived in a shiny black semi-truck. They posed for a photo ahead of Grand March with Caleb's family members. More prom photos to come in the following weeks.



Pictured above: Friends and classmates Olivia Vettleson, Lola Hendrickson, Ava Kolstoe and Malayna Hamm are all smiles after a successful Spring piano recital at Salem Lutheran church.

Oklee City Council Member Resigns

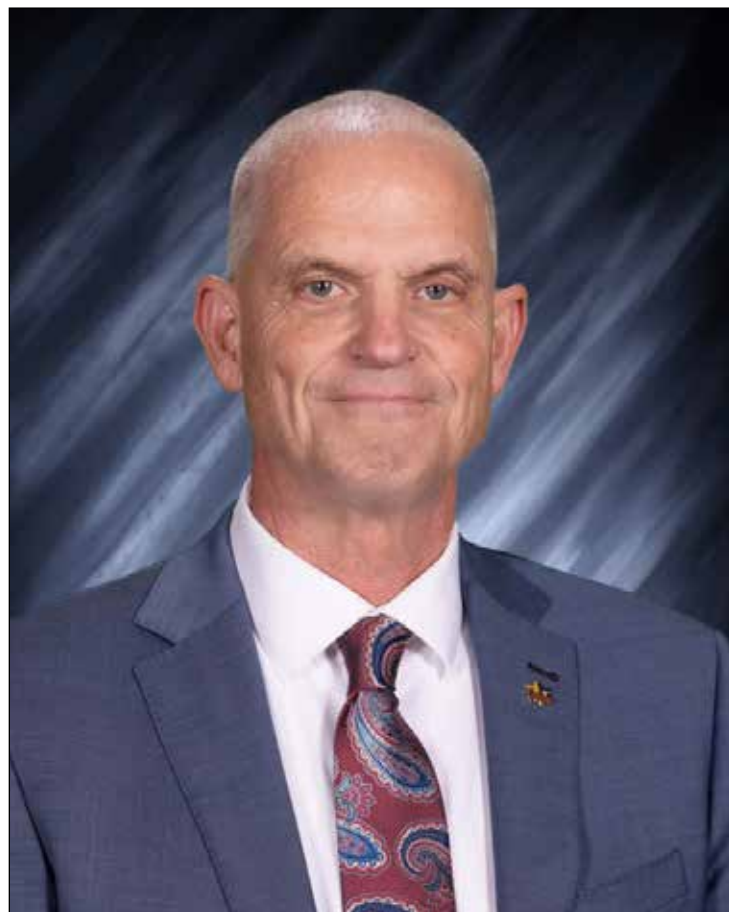
Last week Matthew Genova contacted Oklee City Clerk, Derek Cross, to inform Derek he was resigning from his position of City Council Member due to continuing health issues.

Matthew regrets that his health will not allow him to serve in the manor he is accustomed to. Matthew has been on the Oklee City Council for the last 7 years,

City clerk, Derek Cross, had to say "I know he took his position very seriously, and he hopes his health improves enough so he can run again in the future."

Matthew would like to thank the City Council and the people of Oklee for their support during the time he served. We also wish Matthew good health as he moves forward.

Mr. Randy Pederson is Principal of the Year



By Kya Morinville and Dylan Gerardy

The Northern Division of the Minnesota Association of Secondary School Principals (MASSP) has selected Randy Pederson as High School Principal of the Year for the school year 2022-2023. Nominations for this award come from fellow members of the division. His peers selected Mr. Pederson based on his contributions to the membership regarding professional development and his mentoring of younger principals in the division. The award is also based on his body of work with the students, teachers, and staff at RLCC.

Mr. Pederson taught for 13 years in his home state of South Dakota. He came to Fisher, MN as the high school principal and athletic director of the Fisher-Climax athletic cooperative. In 2002 he became the high school principal in Fertile. After 2 years in Fertile, he came to RLCC as the elementary principal in 2004. He served 5 years as the elementary principal, 2 years as K-12 principal, and is in his 12th year as the high school principal.

Mr. James Guetter, RLCC and RLF School Superintendent commented, "I know Mr. Pederson enjoys the time he spends with our students, as that is the most enjoyable and rewarding part of all school jobs! It is also very rewarding and humbling when your peers select you for such an honor. This is a well-deserved distinction for Mr. Pederson! Congratulations, Mr. Pederson!"

Ms. Becky Carlson, principal at Goodridge School, was the MASSP Principal of the Year for 2021-2022 added,

"His expertise and dedication to his students is evident, and he serves as a leader and a mentor in our division. It is a pleasure to work with Randy and to learn from his example."

Students at RLCCHS agree. Damon Ferguson, Senior Class President, emphasized Mr. Pederson's commitment to extracurricular activities, "Mr. Pederson has been supportive of extracurricular activities with Trap and setting up our wrestling team's co-op with Thief River Falls. Without that, we wouldn't have had wrestling." Marissa Thomas and Arielle Rude both commented that they appreciate how Mr. Pederson always makes sure kids are on the path to graduation, "Mr. Pederson is great at making students feel welcome and comfortable."

Teachers and staff have always looked to Mr. Pederson for guidance and leadership. Mrs. Aakhus said that Mr. Pederson is a great educational coach, "He's always in our corner helping us become better educators." Suzie Gunderson added, "Mr. Pederson is a great principal. He's willing to help out where needed, he has incredible knowledge in his position, and has a real passion for kids. Congratulations on being named Outstanding Principal of the Year!"

Mr. Pederson will be awarded at the MASSP Summer Conference in Brainerd, MN in June. It should be noted that Pederson has been honored in 3 different decades, previously as Middle School Principal of the Year in 2005 and as High School Principal in 2011, all while at RLCC.

Calendar of Local Events

Wed, May 3: - RLC Herald Office Open 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. -11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered - Call to order. -7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.	- check inside for church times and places. Mon, May 8: - RLC Herald Office Open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. -11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered - Call to order. Tue, May 9: -11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered - Call to order. Wed, May 10: - RLC Herald Office Open 9 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. -11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered - Call to order. -7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
Thu, May 4: -11:30 a.m. Senior Meals delivered - Call to order. Fri, May 5: -Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news. Sat, May 6: -Support your local business - Shop Locally! Sun, May 7: -Worship at the church	

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Wednesday Sunday	Thursday Monday	Friday Tuesday	Saturday Wednesday
63° 50°	61° 49°	66° 47°	64° 48°

Weather Forecast

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH

Zion and Salem

Pastor Linda Molitor

Sun, May 7: 9:00 a.m. Zion, 10:30 a.m. Salem. Salem reception for Confirmants.

Sermons are on GVTEL Channel 35 (10 am Sunday & 2 pm Tuesday), also on Facebook or YouTube.

Wed, May 10: 7:00 p.m. Parish Board Meeting. 7:00 p.m. Salem WELCA.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF OKLEE, GRYGLA & GOODRIDGE

Fr. Bryan Kujawa

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

Saturday: St. Joseph RLF 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: Brooks Sunday 8:00 a.m. St. Joseph 10:00 a.m.

IMMANUEL–EBENEZER-BETHANY LUTHERAN PARISH

Pastor Jonathan Dodson

Sun, May 7: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Immanuel. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer. 7:00 p.m. Worship at Bethany.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH

Bethany–Ekelund–Faith

Wed, May 3: 9:30 Faith WELCA.

Sun, May 7: 9:30 a.m. Parish Board / Call Committee Meeting at Faith. 11:00 a.m. Joint Worship at Faith. Pot Luck Meal to follow. 7:00 p.m. Faith Council Meeting.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH

Mt. Olive – Nazareth

Oak Park – St. Petri

Tri-Valley Public Transportation

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

Curb-to-curb services is available. Allowing for a 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.

Pastor Jeff Merseth

Wed, May 3: 5:00-7:00 p.m. Wednesday School. 6:30 p.m. Vespers.

Sat, May 6: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, May 7: 8:00 a.m. Nazareth, 9:00 SS (last day). 9:15 a.m. Oak Park. 11:00 a.m. St. Petri. Confirmation with meal to follow at Dougherty's house.

Wed, May 10: 5:00-6:30 p.m. Wednesday School, 5:30 meal (last day). 6:00 p.m. Vespers.

Find services and past sermons at www.facebook.com/clearwaterlutheranparish

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH

Jarred LeBon, Pastor

Tyler Stynsberg,

Assoc. Pastor

www.newjourneyfosston.com

Wed, May 3: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

Sun, May 7: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. 10:00 a.m. Worship.

Tue, May 9: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions.

Wed, May 3: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH

Bethany * Lund

Sand Valley

Dawn Hanson,

Lay Minister

Wed, May 3: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation at Lund.

Sun, May 7: 9:00 a.m. Lund Service. 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley Service.

Wed, May 10: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation at Lund.

CDC safety guidelines for COVID-19 will be followed.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY

Fosston

Seth Johnson,

Head Pastor

Sundays: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m. Kids, High School & Adult programs.

Services will continue to be live-streamed on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/bethelfosston>) as an alternative to attending in person.

Sudoku Solution

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

City of Oklee Notice

City of Oklee will be flushing the hydrants on **May 17th or 18th.**

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Legal

Legal Notice

COUNTY PROJECT – BIDS CLOSE

Tuesday, May 23rd, 2023

RED LAKE COUNTY

RED LAKE FALLS, MN 56750 NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

– Bids will be received until 10:00 AM, Tuesday, May 23rd, 2023, by Kelsey Gervais, County Auditor, at the Auditor's Office in the Red Lake County Court House, 124 Langevin Ave., Red Lake Falls, MN 56750, for the construction of the project listed below. Bids will be opened publicly by Mike Flaagan, County Engineer, or a designated representative, on behalf of the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners.

County Ditch 62 Outlet Structure Replacement.

The Major quantities of work include REMOVE DROP STRUCTURE – EACH 1; COMMON EMBANKMENT (CV) (P) – CUBIC YARD 510; 60" RC PIPE CULVERT DESIGN 3006 CLASS IV – LINEAL FEET 136; 12" PRECAST CONCRETE HEADWALL – EACH 1; 4" PERF. PE PIPE DRAIN – LINEAL FEET. 266; RANDOM RIPRAP CLASS III – CUBIC YARD 172; RANDOM RIPRAP CLASS IV – CUBIC YARD 165; ROLLED EROSION PREVENTION CATEGORY 25 – SQUARE YARD 1776

Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be accessed at Quest 2.0 Login Quest CDN under Quest Project #8484845 for a fee of \$15.00. Fees for contract documents are nonrefundable.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is:

Houston Engineering, Inc.
125 3rd Street East
Thief River Falls, MN 56701
(218) 681-2951

Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Monday through Friday between the hours of **8:00 AM – 4:30 PM**, but no purchase will be made available. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office.

Instructions to Bidders.

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

Bids must be accompanied by a cashier's check or bidder's bond made payable to the Red Lake County Treasurer in the amount of at least 10% of the total bid.

The Red Lake County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept any bid or reject any or all bids, waive irregularities, and award the contract in the best interest of Red Lake County.

Kelsey Gervais – Red Lake County Auditor 06-8C

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Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial Updates

A donation to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial has been given in memory of Delores Longtin by Don and LaVonne Brown, all of Oklee. Delores raised her family in Oklee and was involved as a volunteer in activities in the community.

With the weather warming up, soon there will be flowers planted at the Veterans' Memorial. Donations to the Memorial are used in part for ongoing needs and perpetual care, such as flag replacement, as well as beautification. Contributions to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial may be sent to Security State Bank, Box 69, Oklee, MN 56742, attn: Lori Melby. Questions regarding the Veterans' Memorial may be directed to marylbachand@gmail.com.

Oklee Senior Site Dining

May 3 - 12

Oklee Senior Meals (LSS Meals) are available for Home Delivery, Monday-Friday. If you want to order a meal, you need to let us know the day before by 12 noon. Contact Jo Lambert – 218-796-4527. If she is not home to answer her phone, leave a message.

Wed: May 3: Goulash, Mixed Green Salad w/Dressing, Tropical Fruit, Bread/Margarine, Pudding, Low Fat Milk.

Thu: May 4: Taco Salad, Fruit, Dessert, Low Fat Milk.
Fri: May 5: Liver or Pepper Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Stewed Tomatoes, Dinner Roll/Margarine, Dessert, Low Fat Milk.

Mon: May 8: Parmesan Chicken, Green Beans, Fruit Cocktail, Bread Stick, Dessert, Low Fat Milk.

Tue: May 9: Creamy Swedish Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Bread/Margarine, Pudding, Low-Fat Milk.

Wed: May 10: Turkey Noodle Casserole, Broccoli Florets, Cinnamon Baked Apple Slices, Dinner Roll/Margarine, Cookie, Low-Fat Milk.

Thu: May 11: Roast Beef, Gravy, Baked Potato w/Sour Cream, Corn, Peaches, Bread/Margarine, Low-Fat Milk.

Fri, May 12: Baked Ham w/Sauce, Scalloped Potatoes, Mixed Green Salad, Banana or Fresh Fruit, Low-Fat Milk.

American Legion Auxiliary Annual Meeting

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 159, Oklee, will have the annual meeting on Tuesday, May 9th. The meeting will be held at the Oklee Cafe at 11:30, and will include the election of officers. Members are encouraged to attend.

Red Lake County Commissioner's Minutes

Pursuant to adjournment of its last meeting, the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners duly met in regular session at the Court-house in Red Lake Falls, MN on April 11, 2023, at 10:00 am.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Remick called the meeting to order. Commissioners present were Al Remick, Chuck Flage, Tony Gerardy and Ron Weiss. Others present were Kelsey Gervais, Kyle Thibert, Tanner Holten, Kristen Hanson, Jacob Kruchowski, Angie Lundeen, Dan Juhl, Aaron Thibert, Al Page, and Dick Brumwell. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Weiss moved, seconded by Commissioner Flage, and carried unanimously to approve the agenda.

UMBRELLA TREE

Kristen Hanson from Social Services met with the board seeking approval to use The Umbrella Tree in Thief River Falls for supervised visitation between children in foster care and their parents. Commissioner Gerardy moved, seconded by Commissioner Weiss, and carried unanimously to approve the use of Umbrella Tree's services.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dan Juhl and Aaron Thibert of Hybrid Renewables LLC met with the board to address some of the community's concerns with the wind towers in Red Lake Falls and the rising cost of electric bills. Juhl and Thibert asked that residents with any concerns to contact Hybrid Renewables directly.

Jacob Kruchowski met with the board to discuss the ongoing issue with sewer odor on the first floor of the courthouse. To further diagnose the problem, Kruchowski requested that Roto-Rooter in Grand Forks be

brought in to map the courthouse's sewer line. The board voiced their approval of the request.

Alan Page met with the board to provide an update of the current water levels at Huot Park.

EXPENDITURES

Commissioner Weiss moved, seconded by Commissioner Gerardy, and carried unanimously to approve expenditures totaling \$200,158.41. A detailed listing is available in the auditor's office or on the county's website.

MINUTES

Commissioner Gerardy moved, seconded by Commissioner Flage, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on March 28, 2023.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following commissioner/committee reports were shared:

<u>Commissioner</u> Gerardy Weiss	<u>Meeting/Report</u> Fair Board Tri-County Community Corrections, Northwest Regional Development Commission, One Watershed One Plan
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Remick Tri-County

Community Corrections

AUDITOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Auditor Kelsey Gervais met with the board to approve the final draft agreement with Equity Builders for the upcoming roof replacement project at the courthouse. The agreement was signed by Board Chairman Remick.

ADJOURNMENT

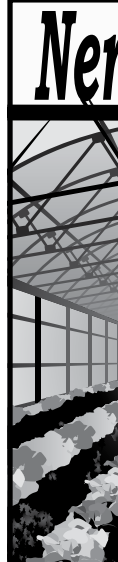
A motion was made by Commissioner Flage, seconded by Commissioner Weiss and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 p.m. The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

Attest:

Kelsey Gervais, County Auditor
Allen Remick, Chairman
Board of Commissioners



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The Minnesota Department of Transportation announced today, beginning May 1, the Oak Lake rest area east of Erskine will be under construction. There will not be any impacts to motorists on Highway 2. There will be a temporary closure of the plaza, including the restrooms, in late June.

The contractor for this \$2.29 million dollar project is KGM Contractors Inc.. This project will create improved pedestrian accessibility and a longer lasting driving surface. It is estimated to be complete by mid-August, weather permitting. Visit the project website below for more information

www.mndot.gov/d2/projects/hwy2-oaklake.

Important reminders for motorists regarding work zone safety:

- Slow down when approaching every work zone, then navigate through with care and caution.
- Stay alert; work zones constantly change.
- Watch for workers and slow-moving equipment.
- Obey posted speed limits. Fine for a violation in a work zone is \$300.
- Minimize distractions behind the wheel.

Be patient; expect delays, especially during peak travel times.

Oklee Herald Office Hours

This weeks hours:

Wed, May 3 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Mon, May 8 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Oklee Office Phone: 796-5181

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Or by email at either:

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Wednesday, May 3, 2023



MUSTANG STAMPEDE

RLCC Menus

NOTICE: Food shortages are nationwide, and our school district is also experiencing unavailable items or last-minute food replacements from our food distributors. Menus are subject to change, but we will do our best to notify you via social media/bulletin if/when there are menu changes. We appreciate your patience and understanding! We look forward to serving all of our students nutritious meals.

RLCC School District.

Oklee

Monday: Biscuit with egg and cheese, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, fried rice, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Toast, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Corn dogs, mac and cheese, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Apple turnover, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Ham patty, hash brown patty, vegetable, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: French toast, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** BBQ, baked beans, vegetable, chips, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Taco in a bag or soft shell, refried beans, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Monday: Breakfast: Pancake sausage on a stick, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Corn dogs, mac and cheese, peas, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Omelets, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Tot Cho's, toppings, corn, cookie, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Yogurt, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Sub sandwich, toppings, carrot cup, sun chips, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Variety, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Hotdog on a bun, Tri tators, green beans, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Cheesy French bread, salad with veggies, fruit, and milk.

RLCC Sports Schedules

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

Wednesday, May 3
9:30am Golf: Girls Varsity Meet @ Bemidji Town and Country Club

Thursday, May 4
2:30pm Softball: Girls Varsity Game (Rescheduled from 04-21-23 @ Bagley High School 2:30pm
4:30pm Baseball: V/JV/JH Game vs. Thief River Falls @ M.E.C.

Golf: Girls Varsity
Meet Red Lake Falls vs. Red Lake County Coop @ Oak Knolls Golf Club - Red Lake Falls Golf Course

4:30pm
Golf: Boys JV/JH Meet Red Lake County Coop @ Win-E-Mac High School

4:30pm Track & Field:
Girls/Boys JH Meet @ Ada-Borup High School

Friday, May 5
9:00am Golf: Boys Varsity Meet vs. Park Christian @ Village Green Golf Course

4:00pm Track & Field:
Girls/Boys JH Meet Thief River Falls @ M.E.C.

4:30pm Baseball: V/JV/JH Game (Rescheduled from 04-14-23) vs. Crookston @ L.E. Drechsel Field

4:30pm Softball: Girls
Varsity Game vs. West Marshall @ Red Lake County Central High School

RLCC Schools Honor National Administrative Professionals Day



RLCC Schools celebrated Judy Morinville, Sarah Dyrdal, Kim Olson, and Suzie Gunderson on April 26th, 2023, for National Administrative Professionals Day. We all appreciate the hard work and dedication that these women put into our daily lives.



Carlee Whalen connects for the Mustangs.



Marissa Thomas stares down the pitcher before hitting her first homerun of the season.

Mustang Softball hits the field

On April 18, 2023, the Mustangs traveled to Fertile to host their first home game as the Mustangs' field was still wet. The Mustangs lost to the Fertile-Beltrami Falcons 18-0. On April 25, the Mustangs' field was ready to host the Mahno-

ment Waubun Thunder. The Mustangs last that game 2-16. On Apr 27, 2023, the Mustangs played Norman County East/Ulen-Hitterdal and lost. One game highlight was Marissa Thomas's first home run of the season! The girls play the RLF

Eagles in Red Lake Falls on Monday, May 1st, and travel to Lake Park Audobon on May 2nd. The next home game for the Mustangs will be on Friday, May 5th, when they take on West Marshall County.



RLCC Seniors



Name: Luci Svendsen
Family Members: Lori and David Gulseth, David Svendsen, Everett, Arlo, Victor, Oliver, Walter, Charlotte and Caylee
Favorite Movie: Lego Batman Movie
Favorite Song/Band: Falling in Reverse
Favorite Class: Art
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Theater
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Most of them
Most important person in your life: My mom
Best memory from school: Prom
Your plans for the future: Go to the Salon Professional Academy and become a hairstylist once I get my cosmetology license.



Name: Orin Hofstad
Family Members: Jared, Jessica, Leif and Nikolena
Favorite Movie: The Green-book
Favorite Song/Band: "Nobody" by Avenged Sevenfold
Favorite Class: Robotics
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Multi Media
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Mr. Moll
Most important person in your life: My uncle
Best memory from school: Taking many pepper packets.
Your plans for the future: Continue working at Walmart for now and attend college after a few years.



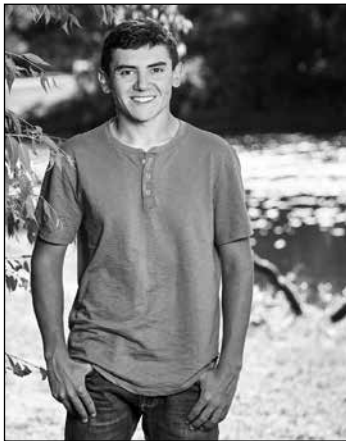
Name: Natalie Vettleson
Family Members: Shane, Amanda, Logan, Austin, and Ethan (Kelly)
Favorite Movie: Ratatouille
Favorite Song/Band: Adele
Favorite Class: Math and Science
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Volleyball and Trap
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Mrs. Bergeson and the volunteer trap coaches
Most important person in your life: My mom
Best memory from school: This year when we were gone for a week at student senate convention and the state volleyball trip.
Your plans for the future: I am attending South Dakota State University for Radiology.



Name: Arielle Rude
Family Members: Janella and Ryan Rude, Sabrina, O'Ri-an and Courtney
Favorite Movie: Tammy
Favorite Song/Band: Anything by Rihanna or Lil Baby
Favorite Class: Shop
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Basketball
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Teacher- Mr. Moll, Coach-Mitchell Alan Bernstein
Most important person in your life: My siblings
Best memory from school: Carlee flying a drone into Mr. Illies forehead.
Your plans for the future: Working



Name: Aurora Mitzner
Family Members: Talia, Ciara and Izzy
Favorite Movie: Me Before You
Favorite Song/Band: Taylor Swift and Zach Bryan
Favorite Class: English with Ms. McDonald, Ms. Miller or Mrs. Aakhus
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Softball
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Mr. Paul Nelson and both Mr. and Mrs. Moll
Most important person in your life: My mom
Best memory from school: Your plans for the future: I will be attending NDSU for a degree in Marketing.



Name: Kaleb Fougner
Family Members: Andy, Stacey, Sydney and Savanna
Favorite Movie: The Hangover
Favorite Song/Band: Jason Aldean
Favorite Class: Shop or Science
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Trap shooting
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Mr. Paul Nelson
Most important person in your life: My parents
Best memory from school: When Tyler got stuck behind the bookshelf in Mrs. Austad's 3rd grade class.
Your plans for the future: Attend BSU and study Wildlife Biology.



Name: Marissa Thomas
Family Members: Gil Thomas, Kippy and Donnie Howard, Dakota, Tristan, Zach, Gavin and Arianna
Favorite Movie: The Hangover pt. 1, 2 and 3
Favorite Song/Band: Anything by Zac Bryan
Favorite Class: Shop
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Basketball
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Teacher- Mr. Moll, Coach-Mitchell Alan Bernstein
Most important person in your life: My grandpa Jake
Best memory from school: Carlee hitting Mr. Illies in the forehead with a mini drone
Your plans for the future: Work and do photography, hopefully open my own studio.



Name: Carson Lambert
Family Members: Scott, Shannon, Devin, Connor, Reese, Ben and Aiden
Favorite Movie: How to Train you Dragon
Favorite Song/Band: I Prevail
Favorite Class: Study hall
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Track and Field
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Mr. Paskvan
Most important person in your life: "Siennamon Roll"
Best memory from school: Watching a Friday night football game.
Your plans for the future: Work.



Name: Clowie Magnell
Family Members: Isaac, Emily, Eli and Liam
Favorite Movie: Any Disney Pixar Movie
Favorite Song/Band: Any song by Morgan Wallen
Favorite Class: Life Science with Ms. Steva
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Volleyball
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Auntie Kelly for help with OCHS and volleyball.
Most important person in your life: My mom and dad because they have always been my biggest supporters.
Best memory from school: My favorite memory is the volleyball state trip.
Your plans for the future: My plans are to go to Northland Community and Technical College for Early Childhood Development and play volleyball for the Pioneers.



Name: Tyler Parsley
Family Members: Chad, Amy, Jaden and Jaylee
Favorite Movie: Dazed and Confused
Favorite Song/Band: Favorite Class: Shop
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: River Watch
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Mr. Moll
Most important person in your life: Jaden Parsley
Best memory from school: Shop class shenanigans.
Your plans for the future: Undecided.

Congratulations Class of 2023!



Wednesday, May 3, 2023

THE OKLEE HERALD 3

Oklee Herald Early Files

Eighty Years Ago May 7, 1943

The state highway department this week again warns motorists they must apply for a duplicate driver's license within 15 days of changing their address.

Pvt. Raymond W. Strande, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nels Strande of Oklee graduated April 14th from the world's largest Air Corps Technical school at Sheppard Field, Texas, where he has been attending classes for the past several months.

Registration for sugar rationing was conducted this week and if you haven't registered, was urged to do soon and the school will be open until 9 p.m. If you don't, you will have to register at the County board in order to buy sugar or whatever commodity maybe rationed later.

Fishing Supplies were sold by Frank L. Cry – they have a full line of fishing supplies of all kinds and they also sell fishing licenses.

Weekly News Analysis: British aerial war against Germany relieves pressure on Russian Front; President moves to halt inflation; gas rationing marked by conflicts.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed LaJambe are the parents of a baby girl born Friday, May 1 at a hospital in Thief River Falls.

Seventy Years Ago May 1, 1953

Pvt. Hilmer Rustand recently spent a 30-day furlough in this community after serving in Korea with a heavy mortar company on the 19th Infantry Regiment, 24th Division.

Seaman Lawrence LaCourse, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert LaCourse, recently completed an iarman electricity course at Jacksonville, FL, where he is stationed with the U.S. Navy.

The first in a new series of working "bees" to continue the cleaning up of the municipal park site on the north banks of the Lost River in Oklee will

be held tonight.

Friends and relatives honored Mrs. Karen Stennes at her home April 27, on the occasion of her birthday anniversary.

Sixty Years Ago May 3, 1963

Nearly 1,000 people toured the Brooks Cheese Factory Thursday when the firm held an Open House in cooperation with the manufacturer of Solar milk cooling tanks.

Plummer Honor students are Donald Fox (valedictorian) and Margie Gallant (salutatorian).

Haakon Hendrickson is recovering at the Fosston Hospital form injuries received Tuesday afternoon when the tractor he was operating tipped over on this farm in Chester Township. The machine pinned one of his legs, but he was able to free himself by digging away the soil.

Peggy Myrum helped Lana Chervestad celebrate her seventh birthday on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dufault of Oklee announce the engagement of their daughter, Eleanor to Mr. Lance Crombie, son of Mrs. F. J. Crombie and the late Dr. F.J. Crombie of North St. Paul, MN.

Oklee defeated Plummer in track 63 ½ to 53 ½ at Oklee on Monday. It was the first track meet held in Oklee and it that at least one more will be held this year.

Forty Years Ago May 6, 1983

The Oklee 5th grade class attended the Shrine Circus last Friday with tickets that were provided by the local merchants.

The 4-year old Child Enrichment Class took a tour of Oklee last week. One of the stops was at the Oklee Post office where Postmaster Clarence Gagner told the children about how the mail works and each child got to mail a letter.

Maura Ann Stadem was a guest at her grandparents, the Bronken's from Monday

to Thursday.

Thirty Years Ago April 29, 1993

Most Improved Bowler from Tuesday night Bowling League was Ryan Nelson.

JETS Team placed first in Regional and State competition in the school size of 40 students per class and under. Last year the JETS team from Oklee placed 8th in the nation out of 22 states completing in their category.

Twenty Years Ago May 2, 2003

The Happy Go Lucky 4-H Club were First Place winners on the Share the Fun skits with their presentation of "Wrinkled Wood/Sunshine Camp." The Share the Fun event was held in Plummer on April 21st.

Ten Years Ago May 2, 2013

More teams for the Relay for Life were featured in the paper – The Plummer Lions and Family Ties.

The two tree crops south of Oklee have been removed. The land was sold and is now being cleared the poplar trees that were planted as a crop a number of years ago.

The Red Lake County Central FOR (Friends of Rachel) Club traveled to Thief River Falls on April 20 for a Power of One Walk. The Power of One Walk originated in Littleton, CO in honor of Rachel Scott, the first student to die at the Columbine shootings.

Dawn Willett was the speaker at the Red Lake County Central Academic Banquet. Willett graduated from Oklee High School in 1993 and graduated from college Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Electrical Engineering UND.

Red Lake Falls Library

New adult fiction includes "The Devine Donut Shop" by Carolyn Brown - two sisters and their cousin are the fourth generation to run the Double D, keep their great-grandmother's recipe secret and uphold the shop's tradition as a coffee klatch for sharing local gossip, advice, and woes, but drama brews behind the counter, too...; "All That is Mine I Carry With Me" by William Landay - three grown siblings confront their father's role in their mother's disappearance; "Homecoming" by Kate Morton - a journalist is called home to care for her grandmother after a fall and discovers a book chronicling the police investigation into an old unsolved murder that has a shocking connection to her family.; "Homestead" by Melinda Moustakis - a debut novel set in Alaska, about the turbulent marriage of two unlikely homesteaders; and "The Sun Walks Down" by Fiona McFarlane - "in September 1883, a small town in the South Australian outback huddles under strange, vivid sunsets; a 6-year-old has gone missing during a dust storm, and the entire community is caught up in the search for him. As they scour the desert and mountains for the lost child, the residents of Fairly confront their relationships, both with one another and with the landscape they inhabit."

And in adult nonfiction: "The Courage to Be Free: Florida's Blueprint for America's Revival" by Ron DeSantis; "Hello Sleep: The Science and Art of Overcoming Insomnia Without Medications" by Jade Wu, PhD; and "Ultimate Guide: Decks" (updated 6th edition) - plan, design, build, DIY your own deck - expert installation tips, building techniques, step-by-step instructions, and over 700 photos by editors of Creative Homeowner.

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat?

This week's photo is of a young lady whose son will graduate from RLCC this year.

Last week's photo was of Joyce Lindquist.

Everyone has a photo or two that would be great for this column. Please share them with our readers as it is one

Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteers Jo Lambert & Bonny Cote
Site number: 218-796-5149

Senior Meals:

Oklee Senior Meals (LSS Meals) are available for Home Delivery, Monday-Friday - Meals on Wheels (LSS) meals will be furnished from Red Lake Falls and you need to order a day or two before the day you plan on having a meal. Please call and let Jo know a couple of days before. Contact Jo Lambert at 218-796-4527. If Jo is not home to answer her phone, leave her a message. Or call Red Lake Falls LSS Site and let Carolyn know. That number is: 218-263-4454.

Since the Senior Site does not have Congregate Meals at this time, seniors should check out the Oklee Café menu. The Oklee Café is not part of LSS, but they do offer Senior priced meals if you want to eat out at the Café for Breakfast or Lunch. They do not deliver to your home.

If you have an idea for an activity or field trip you would like, please contact one the Board Members of the Senior Site. They are Jackie Cross,

Jo Lambert, Bonny Cote and Shirley Dessellier. It will be discussed at the next meeting which is scheduled for May 18th at 10 am.

Potluck

The next potluck is scheduled for May 16th at 5 p.m. at the Oklee Café. This is a fun event that only requires a dish to share for the evening. Come and enjoy an evening meal with friends and catch up on what everyone has been up to!

Craft Shop

The new hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Monday to Thursday and 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Fridays. Stop by and check out the great handiwork of our Seniors for some unique gift ideas.

Activity Dates To Remember

Wednesday: Cards at 1:30 p.m.

Thursday is Game Day: on Thursdays at 2 p.m., games are available - Rummikub/ Rummy-O, Yahtzee, Checkers, Scrabble or bring a game to play. Come on down and enjoy

the fun! We have coffee and treats to enjoy while playing.

** Remember if you don't feel good, stay home.

Interesting Facts about Humans!

If you try to say the alphabet without moving your lips or tongue every letter will sound the same.

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

Your fingernails grow faster in cold weather.

Once a woman reaches the age of 30 they lose 1% of their bone mass every year thereafter (by the time a woman is 50 she will have lost 20%)

It takes 17 muscles to smile and 43 to frown

53% of women don't leave home without makeup on

When recognizing a person's face you use the right side of your brain

Your most active muscles are in your eye

Human thigh bones are stronger than concrete

Have a great week!

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

Saturday, April 22nd, the Goodridge Lions had their annual Smelt Fry. Those who went from Plummer were Wayne Guillemette, Roger Gallant, Anna DeHate and Alice Jobe. Also from Plummer were Jeff Kelley and Jeff Anderson. There were bacon drawings and a guy played the accordion. It was good. They had a very good turnout.

Alice Jobe visited Bunny DuChamp at Greenleaf Apartments in Thief River Falls. On Tuesday on the way to TRF a flock of about forty swans were flying southeast. They were partially in a vee formation. They looked so beautiful.

On Saturday, cousins Barb and Susan from Fargo, Loretta from Park Rapids and Alice Jobe attended the funeral of their cousin Delores Olson from Thief River. The funeral was held at Redeemer Lutheran. Delores was known for her quilting and many of her quilts were on display at the church. Her brothers Dennis and Glenn own Central Boiler. They also have Altoz. There was a good lunch. The cousins enjoyed visiting following the funeral service.

On TV I found Dick Van Dyke is now 97 years old. He's going to star in a soap opera.

He has a beard and looked good. One amazing man.

Harry Belafonte died at age 96. He was known for his calypso music. He was raised in Jamaica. He was a film star and in more recent years, a humanitarian. He was known for his song "Day O", with a calypso beat. I think it was from the late 50's.

The snow is 99% gone and things are drying up.

I see the signs on Highway 59, road construction will begin May 15th. I sympathize with those going to work and other just trying to get to their destination. It won't be fun.

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

When I look out my front window, I see grass and no snow. There is water in the drainage ditch we have to divert the water away from the house and I laughingly call it the spring river that runs through the yard. It is conducive to birds taking their baths every spring, and a couple of ducks that come back every year to swim in and spend a week or so before heading wherever they go after that. I enjoy hearing them quack at night as they swim around the property. It is a small joy for me to see them and hear them every spring. Get out and enjoy this spring weather in between the jobs of spring cleaning in the yard.

This weekend was prom at Oklee and from the reports I heard the venue for the prom was decorated beautifully. Kudos to those who did all that work of making the prom so beautiful. I hear the couples were dressed up so good, and the girls were beautiful. It is a memory cherished forever. A few ladies from Brooks and Plummer went to see the Grand March and among them were Karen Tvedt, Joyce Morinville and Dianne Gagner. And they were showing us pictures of the wonderfully dressed couples they saw. Congratulations to all those who enjoyed the prom.

Clarence and Dianne Gagner went to Vergas to visit with Tim and Brenda Gagner and to see the newest great-grandbaby Kendal Greunig. While Clare and Dianne were gone to the snowbird country, this little girl has grown and changed so much.

On Saturday in the morning, Joyce Morinville went to a baby shower for Tara Marshall the daughter of Keni and Richard Evje of Fosston. Congratulations to Tara.

Visitors at the Karen and Dick Delage home on Friday evening were Clare and Dianne Gagner.

On Friday evening, Ian Ellenson came to visit with Jerome and Barb Novak. He said he was there to see his brother Phillip who was traveling from Houghton Michigan, on his way home, in Warroad, from college for the summer. A little bit after Ian came, Phillip drove into the yard. We had a great visit with the boys, had supper and visited some more. It was fun to see them and visit with them one on one. They filled us in on their plans for the summer. Ian graduates from Und this spring so he is busy getting those grad plans done and finishing up his schoolwork.

It is who we are, and again 5 people were shot including an eight year old boy, by someone who liked his assault rifle. I guess he just had to try it out. This happened in Texas. We are getting quite a record of the old wild west, all over the country.

It was sad to hear that Harry Bellefonte died at 96 years old. He had the privilege of being the first black person to receive the first Gold record for his album "Calypso". This was before Elvis got so popular and Harry's many songs based on his Jamaican beats, were so popular on the air. I had a favorite song of his, it was "The wreck of the John Bee". Rest in peace Harry, you were a leader in civil rights and in your music. He also was in many movies and was awarded Oscars.

Have a great week, it looks to be a good one this time. Smile at someone you never smile at, and be kind to all. Plant a tree.

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Meaty Spaghetti Pie Dorene Dessellier

8 oz spaghetti
1 small onion chopped
8 oz ground beef
1 (24 oz) jar marinara sauce
1 (14-1/2 oz) can diced tomatoes with basil, garlic and oregano drained
3 eggs
1/4 tsp salt
1/4 tsp pepper
1-1/2 cup shredded Italian 5 cheese blend
chopped fresh parsley, optional



Cook spaghetti according to directions, drain. Run under cold water and drain well. Meanwhile, coat large nonstick skillet with cooking spray and heat over medium heat. Add onion and cook till softened, 5 minutes. Add beef, cook stirring until browned, 5 minutes. Remove to large bowl and stir in marinara sauce and tomatoes. In separate large bowl, beat eggs with salt and pepper and stir in 1/2 cup cheese and spaghetti. In same skillet, cook spaghetti mixture over med-high till bottom is slightly crisp, 5 minutes. Top with meat sauce mixture, cook covered, till heated through, 5 to 8 minutes. Remove from heat, sprinkle with remaining cheese and let stand 5 minutes, if desired, sprinkle with parsley.

Red Lake County Sheriff

Weekly News Release

On the morning of 04/21/23, Dustin Durant Bonham (40) of Red Lake Falls was arrested for violating the terms of his supervised probation. He was taken to jail in Crookston.

On the afternoon of 04/23/23, Tyler Lyle Hanson (37) of Thief River Falls was cited for speeding on CR. #13 west of Red Lake Falls.

On the morning of 04/24/23, Red Lake County deputies responded to a domestic disturbance in the city of Red Lake Falls. The involved parties were counseled, and the situation was mediated without arrests or filing criminal charges.

On the afternoon of 04/25/23, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of a Domestic Abuse No Contact Order violation. Investigation revealed that this violation occurred the night before in the city of Thief River Falls. The Thief River Falls Police Department requested assistance in arresting the suspect, Corey Lee Berberich (46) of Brooks. Red Lake County deputies arrested Mr. Berberich at his home, and he was transported to jail in Thief River Falls.

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On the afternoon of 04/26/23, an arrest warrant was issued for Brandon Tyler Olson (35) of Red Lake Falls. Mr. Olson turned himself in and a Red Lake County deputy transported him to jail in Crookston.

On the afternoon of 04/26/23, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report that some juveniles were acting disorderly and causing a disturbance in Red Lake Falls. A Red Lake County deputy counseled the juveniles and their parents.

On the evening of 04/26/23, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of a domestic disturbance in the city of Plummer. Red Lake County deputies responded and found that no crimes had been committed and the involved parties were counseled and separated.

On the morning of 04/27/23, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of vandalism and graffiti on city-owned structures and equipment at Riverside Park in Red Lake Falls. That matter remains under investigation.

Mitch Bernstein, Red Lake County Sheriff: 04/28/23

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