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Motorcycle enthusiast Charles Simpson goes 120 months, rain or shine, without missing a ride

Ten years ago Charles Simpson started a tradition that has brought many of his friends in the area a smile, especially during the long, cold winter months.

Despite the often frigid temps in Minnesota that can span from October to April, Charles made a conscious effort to ride his motorcycle every single month. Most who ride on two wheels leave that hobby for the warmer months and would not consider taking their prized possession onto the road in the dead of winter. I guess you could say Charles has a love of adventure because he's been cruising the roads of rural Plummer for 120 straight months, whether the roads are snow and ice covered or not!

Charles said recently that he might hang it up, and quit the winter rides while he's ahead. Many community members said if he chooses to do that, they will miss his monthly updates and maybe he could stick it out for a few more years. Whether he will continue or not will be something we have to wait until next winter to see, but let's not wish away summer before it even gets here!

Charles said the key to staying safe on this winter rides is taking it slow and he also keeps his feet at the ready, should he lose balance.

He recalled that his coldest ride was a chilly seventeen degrees, but that it was sunny on the day and the highway was dry. May is also Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month in Minnesota.



Charles Simpson is known for his monthly motorcycle ride photo, which he posts to his Facebook account. Charles is seen above on his January 2023 ride.



Clancy Hanson, son of Dean and Naomi Hanson, escorted his youngest sister Noelle at the RLCC Prom. The pair looked great and received many cheers from the crowd!

As summer approaches, Essentia Health encourages scheduling a sports physical for the 2023-24 school year

Summer is just around the corner, and with it comes vacations, lake time and other events. While back-to-school may seem far off, if your child or children are participating in sports next year, it's time to start thinking about scheduling a sports physical. Whether your child is starting middle school or is a college-aged athlete, don't let the requirements of sports sneak up on you!

Asports physical, also known as a preparticipation physical examination (PPE), helps determine whether it's safe for your child to participate in a certain sport. Most states, including North Dakota and Minnesota, require that student athletes have a sports physical before they can start a new sport (including any practices) or begin

a new competitive season. A sports physical is valid for one year. If it's completed now, it will cover the 2023-2024 year.

A sports physical can be completed on its own or as part of a well-child/teen visit. It is recommended that your child have their physical at least six weeks before their sports season begins so there is enough time to follow up on something if necessary.

The form is available online at ndhsaa.com (North Dakota) and at www.mshsl.org (Minnesota). Please bring a physical copy when you come in for your physical. Non-Essentia patients are welcome!

During a sports physical, you will learn:

- Whether it is safe for your child to participate in a sport.

- How to protect your child from injuries.

- How to play safely with a medical condition or chronic illness.

In addition to getting the physical completed, a well-child/teen visit is one of the best ways to ensure your child is healthy and thriving.

Well-child/teen visits are a great time to review your child's health in all areas – growth, cognitive and social development, illness prevention, mental health and more.

You can schedule these visits directly through your pediatrician or family medicine provider. You can also schedule by calling (844) 663-1068, online through EssentiaHealth.org or through your Essentia MyChart patient portal.

Weather Forecast

76°	73°	69°	65°
55°	57°	54°	46°
Wednesday Sunday	Thursday Monday	Friday Tuesday	Saturday Wednesday
69°	73°	70°	62°
49°	48°	48°	46°

ISD 2906 Accepts Bids, Referendum to Move Forward

RLCC School District is calling on parents and any community members and supporters of RLCC High School!

The new bids are in for the construction project and they have been accepted by the School Board. RLCC is moving forward with the building project. What an exciting time!

Asbestos removal begins in the old '39 building on Tuesday, May 30th. This needs to be completed prior to demolition. So, with a short timeline between now and the end of the school year, the school needs to move 2 preschool rooms, a library and a science lab/classroom. They need to do this while they have students that can help out.

For the school year 2023-24, all preschool students will be in Plummer. A science lab and classroom will commandeer the west preschool room and a small-scale library and

an Online College in the High School classroom will be in the east preschool room.

The school needs to first empty the preschool rooms and then will move science and the library. They hope to begin the preschool portion of this project sometime between May 5th and May 12th so they can then get science and the library/OCHS moved in.

The project is to be complete and ready for students and staff at the start of the school year September 3rd, 2024. At that time the preschool rooms would be restored and open for business.

At this point, to save money and to make haste, the school is asking if you might help? If you have any spare totes you can donate permanently to the school or "lend" to the school, they would take you up on the offer! Mark your totes "keep"

or "please return" and make sure your first and last name are on them.

Or if you have any spare boxes at home, or if Amazon or Costco or Walmart or any other online provider ships something to you, and you think it could be large enough to hold books or smaller inventory, maybe hang on to that and send it their way? There is going to be a run on boxes in town.

You can begin delivery immediately. Bring them in directly to the wrestling room if you know your way around or bring them to the office and someone will get them to the wrestling room. The wrestling mats are up and this room will be a staging and temp storage area.

The school thanks you in advance for your assistance!

More to come on the project in the coming weeks.

Students are Reminded to Stay Safe as Spring Events Approach



Brad Nordland, a Minnesota State Highway Trooper, visited RLCC High School to talk to students about the importance of being safe on Minnesota roadways, especially during Prom and Graduation season. Nordland visited other schools in the area to focus on the Minnesota State Patrol's mission To protect and serve all people through assistance, education, and enforcement; provide support to allied agencies; and provide for the safe, efficient traffic movement on Minnesota's roadways.

Road Construction Season is here

A large scale project will begin between Plummer and Thief River Falls on State Highway 59 starting on May 17th. A MN-DOT project engineer stated the first phase of the project will take approximately two weeks. During this time the crew from RJ Zavoral and Sons will install box culverts near Pennington CR 7 and Pennington CR 53 and construct a temporary bypass lane at Pennington CR 3 where the roundabout will eventually be constructed. A detour will head West out of Plummer and then North by the Thief River Falls Airport until the bypass is completed.

After the initial phase in completed, the crews will begin the actual construction of the roundabout at Pennington CR 3. Shoulder widening is also a major part of the second phase in this project. This phase will be completed in August if things go to plan.

The last portion of the construction will include removing bypass lane at the new roundabout, open roundabout north, south and west legs and constructing east leg of

roundabout, as well as complete resurfacing of the rest of the corridor. During this time traffic turning East on CR 3, or Center St. will be detoured around the intersection. Detours will be clearly marked and can also be found at: <https://www.dot.state.mn.us/d2/projects/hwy59-s-trf/index.html>

The need for this roundabout, or some form of additional traffic control at this intersection, has been debated for some time now. The MNDOT website lists key motivators for the project as follows:

- Safer highway
- Longer lasting road surface
- Improved drainage

- Safer intersection
- The project will cost \$9.1 million dollars and will be completed by RJ Zavoral and Sons, INC.

As always, road construction is a large part of Minnesota summers and motorists are encouraged to exercise extreme caution while moving through work-zones. Maintaining a level of patience with crew members and others on the road can help ensure everybody stays safe! Be sure to obey all signage in work-zones.

For more information on the HWY 59 project, please visit on MNDOT website listed earlier in the article.



Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH

Zion and Salem
Pastor Linda Molitor
Wed, May 10: 7:00 p.m.
Parish Board Meeting. 7:00 p.m. Salem WELCA.

Sun, May 14: 9:00 a.m.
Zion, 10:30 a.m. Salem. Salem reception for Graduates.

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

Tues, May 16: 7:00 p.m. Mutual Ministry.

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 14: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Bethany. 7:00 p.m. Worship at Immanuel.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH

Bethany–Ekelund–Faith
Sun, May 14: 8:00 a.m. Worship at Ekelund, Honoring High School Graduates. 9:30 a.m. Worship at Faith, Honoring Graduates. 11:00 a.m. Worship at Bethany, Honoring Graduates.

Oklee Senior Site Dining

May 15 -19

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.

Mon: May 15: Salisbury Steak w/Gravy, Baked Potato w/Sour Cream, Peas & Carrots, Bread/Margarine, Tropical Fruit, Low Fat Milk.

Tue: May 16: Tater Tot Casserole, Green Beans, Peaches, Dinner Roll/Margarine, Bar, Low Fat Milk.

Wed: May 17: Chicken Wild Rice Soup, Broccoli Florets, Fruit Cocktail, Bread Stick, Jello, Low Fat Milk.

Thu: May 18: Pulled Pork w/bun, Butternut Squash, Romaine Salad w/Dressing, Pineapple Chunks, Cookie, Low Fat Milk.

Fri: May 19: Turkey Alfredo w/Pasta, Carrots, Pears, Garlic Bread Stick, Dessert, Low Fat Milk.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH

Mt. Olive – Nazareth Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed, May 10: 5:00- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday School, 5:30 meal (last day). 6:00 p.m. Vespers.

Sat, May 13: 9:00 a.m. Mt.Olive.

Sun, May 14: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:45 a.m. Nazareth. 11:00 a.m. Oak Park, 9:45 SS (last day). Confirmation with meal to follow.

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 10: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

Sun, May 14: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. 10:00 a.m. Worship.

Tue, May 16: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions.

Wed, May 17: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH

Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, May 10: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation at Lund.
Sat, May 13: 10:00-12 p.m. Sand Valley Cemetery clean-up.

Sun, May 14: 9:00 a.m. Lund Service. 10:30 a.m. Bethany Service.

Wed, May 17: 2:00 p.m. Sand Valley Ladies Aid. 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.

May Community Club Meeting on May 11th

May Community Club meeting on Thursday, May 11th at 6:30, at the Oklee Hall. If you have any agenda topics you would like to discuss, please notify Sandra Tougas, sandratougas@hotmail.com by Tuesday, May 9th.

Sudoku Solution

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

RLC Rebels Track and Field Update

On April 25, 2023, the Red Lake County Track And Field Teams traveled to Thief River Falls to compete in the Quentin Jones Invite meet. The girls' team finished in 16th place. Earning 6th place for the 4x400 Meter Relay were Daphne Harmoning, Allegra Knott, Emma Hendrickson, and Elizabeth Lytle with a time of 5:25.93.

The boys' team tied for 9th place. Coming in for 6th place with the 110 Meter Hurdles was Caden Lee with a time of 18:08. Gerald Melin placed 6th in the 300 Meter Hurdles with a time of 47.11, and 6th place in the long jump with 18'5 1/2". Melin placed first with his High Jump with 6'0". Nick Suchy placed 7th place with his 3200 Meter with a time of 12:10.80. Placing 2nd place in the 4x400 were Keyan Derosier, John Power, Caden Lee, and Gerald Melin with a time of 4:20.84.

UCB Booster
On April 27th, the RLC Rebel Varsity teams traveled to Hawley for the UCB Booster Invite meet. The girls' team finished in 13th place. Elizabeth Lytle received 5th place in the 600 Meter with a time of 2:47.7 and 8th place in the 1600 Meter with a time of 6:18.1.

The Rebel Boys tied for 13th place. Gerald Melin placed 7th with the 300 Meter Hurdles with a time of 46:30. Placing 8th place in the 4x400 Meter Relay were Keyan Derosier, John Powers, Caden Lee, and Gerald Melin with a time of 4:10.3 Gerald Melin placed

6th with his 5'8" High Jump. Junior High

Also, on April 27th, the Junior High Track and Field team traveled to Bagley to compete in the Bagley Fosston Junior High Meet. The girls' team finished in 7th place. Leah Pahlen placed 3rd place in the 1600 Meter with a time of 7:34.1, 5th place in the 400 Meter with a time of 1:21.8, and 8th place in the Long Jump with 10'8".

The boys' team finished in third place. Nate Powers finished in 4th place with his 100 Meter with a time of 13.4, and first place with his 200 Meter with a time of 27.5. Benji Bramer placed second place with his 200 Meter with 28.9 seconds. Mason Williams placed 4th place for the 200 Meter with a time of 30.1. Aaren Rowley tied for 6th place in the 200 Meter with 30.6. Hayden Shulstad was first in the 800 Meter with a time of 2:48.3. Alex Bramer received 3rd place in the 800 Meter with 2:58.7. In the 1600 Meter, Hayden Shulstad placed 3rd, 5:50.1; Alex Bramer, 3rd place, 6:11.4; Owen O'Neill 6th place with 6:40.5 In the Long Jump, Benji Bramer placed 6th place with 13'5", and Aaren Rowley placed 8th with 12'10". Nate Powers placed 2nd with 4'9".

Twilight Invite Meet
On April 28th, the RLC Track and Field Team participated in the Twilight Invite Meet in Thief River Falls. The girls' team finished in 6th place. In the 800 Meter, receiving 3rd Place was Emma Hendrickson

with a time of 2:52.79, and in 4th Place was Elizabeth Lytle with a time of 2:54.02. In the 1600 Meter receiving 6th Place was Elizabeth Lytle with a time of 6:25.88.

Receiving 5th place in the 4x800 Meter Relay were Daphne Harmoning, Leah Pahlen, Emma Hendrickson, & Elizabeth Lytle with a time of 12:54.74. Elizabeth Lytle received 1st place in the High Jump with 4'6".

The boys' team tied for 5th place. In the 400 Meter, receiving 5th Place was John Powers with a time of 1:01.85. Receiving 4th place in the 800 Meter was Nick Suchy with 2:33.66. Hayden Shulstad received 6th place in the 800 Meter with a time of 2:47.61. Nick Suchy placed 4th place in the 3200 with a time of 12:07, and Hayden Shulstad placed 5th with a time of 13:08. In the 110 Meter Hurdles, Caden Lee received 1st place with a time of 18:51; receiving 4th place was Peyton O'Neill with 21.33. In the 300 Meter Hurdles, Caden Lee came in 2nd place with a time of 47.11, Gerald Melin earned 3rd place with a time of 47.46, and Peyton O'Neill came in 5th place with a time of 54.20. Gerald Melin placed 1st with his High Jump of 5'10" and 3rd place with his Long Jump of 18'3".

The Stampede will continue with Track and Field in next week's Message. The Rebels are coached by Mr. Randy Huie, Mrs. Cheryl Matzke, Mr. Kory Baril, and Ms. Marissa Schiebe.

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

Deadline:
Fridays at noon!



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If seen please call 218-796-5356

Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial Updates

The flags at the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial are lowered to half-staff by RLCC High School Student Senate students as directed in a proclamation by the President of the United States.

"As a mark of respect for the victims of the senseless acts of violence perpetrated on May 6, 2023 in Allen, Texas, by the authority vested in me as President of the United

States by the Constitution and the law of the United States of America, I hereby order that the flag of the United States shall be flown at half-staff from May 8th to sunset May 11th."

The students are supervised by Mr. Randy Huie and have taken on this responsibility of lowering flags at the Veterans' Memorial on days designated by the President of the United States.

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 – Mahnomen.

Every 4th Tuesday – Thief River Falls

Every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesday – Fargo/Moorhead.

Every 2nd & 4th Friday – Bemidji.

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City of Oklee Notice

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

Oklee Herald Office Hours

Wed. May 10
Mon. May 15

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

NEWS DEADLINE: FRIDAYS AT NOON. THANK YOU! :)

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ATTENTION

RED LAKE COUNTY SMALL BUSINESS AND POTENTIAL STARTUP ENTERPRISES

The Red Lake County Economic Development Corporation can help you start your own business or expand an existing one. We are here to assist with a ten (10) year loan for an amount up to \$30,000 at 2% APR. The business must be located in Red Lake County.

For more information, contact the Red lake County Economic Development home office at 1-218-253-2897. Allen Bertilrud 218-684-1315, Dave Ste. Marie 218-686-4019 or Kelsey Gervais 218-686-5114.

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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: Breakfast pizza, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. Lunch: Pulled pork or BBQ chicken on a bun, baked beans, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Muffins, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. Lunch: Chicken strips, fried rice, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Toast, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. Lunch: Cheesy bread with dipping sauce, lettuce salad, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Bagel bites, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. Lunch: Pizza, lettuce salad, fresh vegetable, chips, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. Lunch: Chicken fajita, Spanish rice, refried beans, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Monday: Breakfast: Pop tarts, yogurt, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. Lunch: Hamburger macaroni hotdish, uncrustable, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, sausage, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. Lunch: Chicken alfredo, mixed veggies, garlic toast, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: French toast bread, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. Lunch: Chicken patty on a bun, French fries, cucumbers, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Variety, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. Lunch: Soft shell tacos, toppings, carrots with ranch, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Donuts, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. Lunch: Pizza calzone, salad, cookie, fruit, and milk.

RLCC Sports Schedules

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

Thursday, May 11

Softball: Girls Varsity Game 1:00PM @ Crookston High School
Track & Field: Boys/Girls Varsity Conference Tournament 3:30PM @ Bagley High School
Baseball: V/JV/JH Game 4:30PM @ Fosston High School

Friday, May 12

Softball: Girls Varsity Game 4:00PM @ Kelliher High School
Track & Field: Boys/Girls Varsity Meet 4:00PM @ Warren-Alvarado-Oslo High School
Baseball: V/JV/JH Game 4:30PM vs. Fertile-Beltrami @ L.E. Drechsel Field
Saturday, May 13
Baseball: V/JV/JH Tri TBD @ Blackduck High School

Monday, May 15

Softball: Girls Varsity Game 4:30PM vs. Blackduck Public @ Red Lake County Central High School

Tuesday, May 16

Softball: Girls Varsity Game 4:30PM @ Marshall County Central High School

Thursday, May 18

Track & Field: Boys/Girls Varsity Meet 4:00PM @ Ada-Borup High School
Baseball: V/JV/JH Game 4:30PM vs. Norman County East @ L.E. Drechsel Field

RLCC Staff hold baby shower for fellow teacher

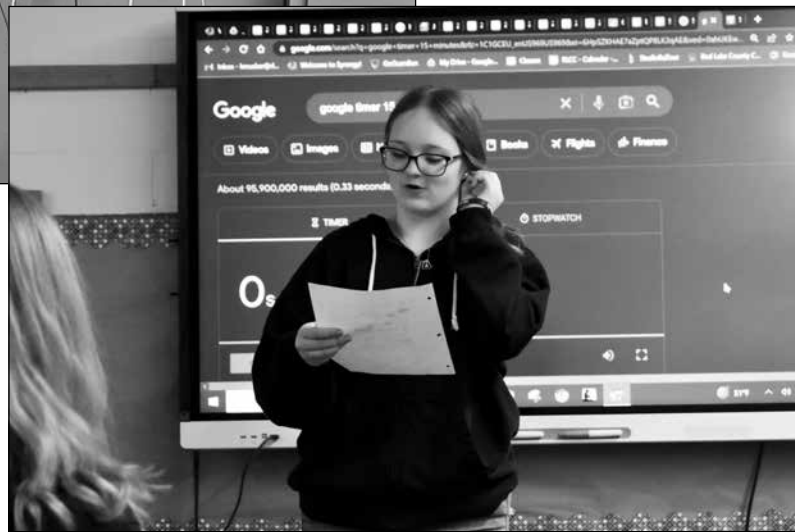


RLCC High School staff Honored Mrs. Karis Musker and her son, Declan Frank Musker, with a baby shower on Wednesday May 3, 2023. Declan was born on February 27th, 2023. Mrs. Karis Musker teaches English at RLCC High School.



Pictured above: See More painted Mrs. Aakhus's closet door with the message "Hope" from her favorite poem, "Hope is the Thing With Feathers," by Emily Dickinson.

Pictured to the right: Ava Arlt reciting her poem.



See More Perspective Visits RLCC High School English Classes

From May 1st to May 5th, See More Perspective visited Mrs. Karis Musker's 9th and 10th grade English classes at Red Lake County Central. See More has visited RLCC schools three times since the Spring of 2019. In the following weeks, The Mustang Stampede will share poetry written by the 9th and 10th-grade students and their reactions.

RLCC Seniors



Name: Caleb Nymann
Family Members: Melisa, Erik, Cole and Cassi
Favorite Movie: Dumb and Dumber
Favorite Song/Band: Nick-elback
Favorite Class: Art
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Prom
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Mr. Illies
Most important person in your life: My mom
Best memory from school: Graduation
Your plans for the future: Work on the family farm.



Name: Payton Rystad
Family Members: Justin, Cindy and older brother Dawson
Favorite Movie: The Longest Ride and Pitch Perfect
Favorite Song/Band: Cody Johnson
Favorite Class: English
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Softball
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Aaron Moll and Mitch Bernstein
Most important person in your life: My parents
Best memory from school: Going to Cragun's Resort for Student Senate.
Your plans for the future: I plan to attend the Salon Professional Academy for Cosmetology and later plan to pursue photography.



Name: Molly Smith
Family Members: Jon and Sue, Stephanie, Sami and Megan
Favorite Movie: Hacksaw Ridge
Favorite Song/Band: The Scientist by Coldplay
Favorite Class: Chemistry
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Volleyball
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Mr. Strutz
Most important person in your life: My dad
Best memory from school: Gossiping with Shawna about the state volleyball trip.
Your plans for the future: Go to NDSU to study Radiologic Sciences to become an OBGYN Ultrasound Technician.



Name: Aurimy Olson
Family Members: Larry, Bobbie, Kayla and Lucas
Favorite Movie: The Polar Express
Favorite Song/Band: Morgan Wallen
Favorite Class: Chemistry
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Volleyball
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Mr. Strutz
Most important person in your life: My brother Lucas
Best memory from school: Homecoming week senior year.
Your plans for the future: I'm going to the University of North Dakota for pediatric nursing.



Name: Marin Peterson
Family Members: Brian and Letty Peterson, Alex Peterson
Favorite Movie: Where the Crawdads Sing
Favorite Song/Band: My tears ricochet by Taylor Swift
Favorite Class: English
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Knowledge Bowl
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Mrs. Aakhus
Most important person in your life: My mom
Best memory from school: Senior year homecoming.
Your plans for the future: I plan on attending MSUM for nursing in the fall of 2023.



Name: Shawna Majeres
Family Members: Greg and Sylvia, Ethan, Vanessa and Nickolas
Favorite Movie: A Walk to Remember
Favorite Song/Band: Burnin' for You
Favorite Class: Chemistry
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Basketball
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Mrs. Moll
Most important person in your life: My parents
Best memory from school: State volleyball trip and prom
Your plans for the future: I will be attending St. Cloud State University where I will be majoring in nursing.



Name: Gerald Melin
Family Members: Kelly and Greg, Oliver and Emmitt
Favorite Movie: Anything with Adam Sandler
Favorite Song/Band: Ain't No Mountain High Enough by Marvin Gaye
Favorite Class: History
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Basketball and Track
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Mr. Baril and Mr. Phillion
Most important person in your life: All of my family members.
Best memory from school: Playing Pokemon and eraser baseball in 4th grade in Mr. Furnstahl's class.
Your plans for the future: Attend Saint John's University to get my BS in Elementary Education with a minor in coaching, while playing basketball.



Name: Kaleb Roussy
Family Members: Mom and sister
Favorite Movie: The Other Guys
Favorite Song/Band: Snake River Shredders
Favorite Class: Chemistry
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity:
Favorite Teacher/Coach: They're all amazing.
Most important person in your life: My dad
Best memory from school: When Gunnar (Student of the Month) body slammed Jeff.
Your plans for the future: To ride off into the sunset.



Name: Natalie Lindemoen
Family Members: Eric Lindemoen, Jessica Lindemoen, Mekalia Lyberg, Daphney Koralewski, Autumn Lindemoen, Jax Lindemoen, Ella Lindemoen, Legend Lindemoen
Favorite Movie: Twilight
Favorite Song/Band: Any song by Doja Cat or SZA
Favorite Class: Chemistry
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Knowledge Bowl
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Mr. Strutz
Most important person in your life: My sisters
Best memory from school: Spending \$70 on Mr. Strutz's card at Cenex with Aurora.
Your plans for the future: Go to MSUM.



Name: Gunnar Sandeen
Family Members: Mandy Roisland and Darrell Sandeen
Favorite Movie: How to Train Your Dragon
Favorite Song/Band: The Fat Rat
Favorite Class: Shop
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Clay Target
Favorite Teacher/Coach: Mr. Moll
Most important person in your life: My mom
Best memory from school: Playing Pokemon and eraser baseball in 4th grade in Mr. Furnstahl's class.
Your plans for the future: Attending Northland Community and Technical College for Auto Body Collision Technology.



Congratulations Class of 2023!

Oklee Herald Early Files

Eighty Years Ago May 14, 1943

A total of 967 persons was registered for the sugar rationing program at the Oklee school last week with 871 books issued.

An appreciation audience enjoyed the three-act comedy "Chintz Cottage," which was presented by a cast from the senior class.

Weekly News Analysis: Corregidor and other Philippine Ports fall after constant pounding by Jap; Eastern Supply routes safeguarded by Allied Occupation of Madagascar.

Make this new treat! Rice Krispies Marshmallow Squares. Quick as a wink recipe.

A group of friends and relatives attended a birthday party on Ole Stenvold, and Ole Liberg of Clearbrook.

Seventy Years Ago May 8, 1953

Auxiliary to sponsor Poster Contest; Poppy Day Set.

Oklee "Colts" beat "Die Hards" 9-4 in their first game of the 1953 baseball season. The teams were composed of former Oklee baseball players. The game was interrupted in the second inning when the fire whistle blew for a brush fire Northwest of Oklee. Despite this the game netted \$57.

Second Park Bee Tonight!

Highlanding Dance! Saturday Night, May 10th with music by "Fiddling Floyd"

Sixty Years Ago May 10, 1963

Unseasonably cold and wet weather slows field work in the area compared to last year the season continues to be later.

The services of a bookmobile – a traveling library – could be made available to the people of Red Lake County if the people will prove to the county board of commissioners that they really want it.

The state of Minnesota will go on Daylight Savings Time for the summer months starting at 2 a.m. on Sunday, May 27th.

Forty Years Ago

May 13, 1983

Five filed for Oklee School Board positions and this week their questionnaires with answers were printed: Gene Arveson, Larry Skallet, Twyla Fore, Dwight Carlson, and Richard Mathson.

A week ago Tuesday, guest at the Bruce Bjerklie home came to celebrate Brian's birthday.

Thirty Years Ago

May 6, 1993

Spring wheat was \$4.00 per bushel at Oklee Farmers Co-op Elevator.

Melvin and Rosemary Eskeli spent Easter with their son Master Sgt. Lonnie Eskeli and his family in Great Falls, MT where he is stationed in the Air Force.

A host of family and friends had gathered at the Plummer Hall to surprise Jim DuChamp and his cousin Charlene Myhre who had both recently turned 40.

Twenty Years Ago

May 9, 2003

The 6th grade class went to St. Paul at the end of April for their class trip. They visited

the State Capitol, Under Water World, Ft. Snelling and attended a Twins baseball game.

Mustang Stampede Wins Service Learning Award at UMC.

The total rainfall for May 1-6 was .16" per Einar Kvasager.

Ten Years Ago

May 9, 2013

Total rain for 2012 as of May 9 was 3.16" per Einar Kvasager.

Kevin Bray played Lymon Sanderson, MD in the play "Harvey" put on by RLCC High School in April.

Oklee and Plummer ECFE and Head Start sponsored the Children's Health Festival at the Brooks Community Center. Children had the opportunity to meet fire fighters, nurses and Ambulance/EMT personnel.

Kayla Stenberg took first place in the 400 meter run at the Quentin Jones Track Invitational.

There was a dance recital held in Plummer at RLCC for girls grades 4-6. Instructor Krista Bernstein had 19 girls in her class for the recital.

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Bean Burger Kadie Amiot

My Dad's family always had this meal on camping trips. Now we continue this tradition. It's one of my favorites!

1-1/2 lb ground beef
2 (15 oz) cans of pork & beans
1 (15 oz) can crushed tomatoes shredded mozzarella
Fritos corn chips

Brown hamburger, season and drain. Add pork & beans and tomatoes. Heat through. Serve over corn chips and top with shredded cheese.



Red Lake County Sheriff Weekly News Release

On the evening of 04/28/23, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of a vehicle driving erratically on Hwy. #32 south of Red Lake Falls. A Red Lake County deputy located the suspect vehicle and stopped it north of Red Lake Falls on Hwy. #32. Investigation revealed the driver, Austin Paul Berg (23) of Fargo, was under the influence of alcohol. Mr. Berg was arrested, taken to jail in Crookston and booked for misdemeanor DWI. He was released from custody on 04/29/23 and he will be summoned to appear in Court in Red Lake Falls sometime in May.

In the early morning hours of 04/29/23, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of loud music coming from a garage in Red Lake Falls. Red Lake County deputies responded and discovered several juveniles and other individuals under the age of 21 consuming alcohol. The juveniles were released to parents and other permitted guardians. George Louis Cruz Jr. (20) of Viking was cited for misdemeanor minor consumption. Incident reports and other supporting evidence have been submitted to the County Attorney for consideration of criminal charges for other involved individuals. The matter is still under investigation.

On the afternoon of 04/30/23, a Red Lake County deputy was involved with mediating a child custody and visitation dispute in the city of Brooks. The parents were counseled, and the situation was resolved.

On 05/01/23, a break-in was reported to the Sheriff's Office. This occurred in the

city of Plummer, but at this time the property owner does not think anything was taken. This matter remains under investigation.

On the evening of 05/01/23, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report that a child was bitten by a dog that was running loose on McLean Ave. in Red Lake Falls. The injuries to the child were not serious and did not require professional medical attention. A Red Lake County deputy located the dog and its owner. When the deputy approached the residence, the dog acted very aggressively toward them, but the owner was able to gain control of the dog. The deputy was able to verify that the dog's vaccinations were up to date. Nicole Lee Hanson (34) of Red Lake Falls was cited for misdemeanor allowing a public nuisance.

In the early morning hours of 05/02/23, Charles Edward Walsh (65) of Badger was cited for speeding on Hwy. #59 south of Plummer.

On the afternoon of 05/02/23, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of possible damage to property in Red Lake Falls. A deputy investigated the report and spoke with the owner of the damaged property. The owner indicated they would handle the matter without further assistance from law enforcement.

On the afternoon of 05/02/23, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of possible identity theft and fraud. That case remains under investigation.

On the morning of 05/04/23, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of two

individuals arguing on the bike path in Red Lake Falls. The reporting party claimed that a male and a female were involved. A Red Lake County deputy responded to the area but was unable to locate either of the individuals. No further reports were received.

On 05/04/23, a Red Lake County deputy found a black and white bicycle on the bike path in Red Lake Falls. If anyone believes that it may be theirs, they can contact the Sheriff's Office.

On the afternoon of 05/04/23, Red Lake County deputies responded to a report of a disturbance at a Lambert Township residence. Several individuals were at that location, and they were involved in a dispute. The involved parties were separated, and the dispute was mediated. Accusations of an assault are still under investigation.

On the afternoon of 05/04/23, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of illegal dumping in the city of Brooks. That case remains under investigation.

On the evening of 05/04/23, Jeffery Kenneth Dahl (68) of Bagley was cited for speeding on Hwy. #59 in Brooks.

Mitch Bernstein, Red Lake County Sheriff: 05/05/23

Who's Dat?



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This week's photo is of a very muddy little guy!

Last week's photo was of Mandy Roisland.

I am always in need of more photos - School days, church events, sports, etc. If you email a photo, please scan at 300 dpi (high quality) if you can. You can email to okleeherald@gmail.com.

If you mail a photo to the Oklee Herald office, please enclose a self-addressed stamped

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 of 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 Thursday, May 18th at 10 am.

Potluck

The next potluck is scheduled for Tuesday, 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.

Have a great week!

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

On Friday, Arlene Slick, of Baudette visited Barb Culkins and spent time at the museum going through yearbooks preparing for the class reunion for Arlene's class this summer.

On Sunday, after services, Immanuel Lutheran Church had a delicious roast pork dinner. Arlene Jesme and Lorna Jesme of Thief River came. Anna DeHate and Alice Jobe enjoyed dinner. They had a wonderful selection of desserts.

The past two weeks, Minnesota Street, on the North side has gotten dips in the road, making a rough drive. It will need to be filled in this summer.

On Saturday night, Anna DeHate, Anne Traxler and Alice Jobe enjoyed the smelt fry at Gully. It was served at Shorty's bar. They had a very good turnout. They had generous servings of smelt, also baked potato, beans, coleslaw,

and a dinner roll. They sold chances on slabs of bacon.

Mark Lee and Alvin Vigstol also were at the smelt fry. There was a fair amount of snow in the ditches close to Gully.

On May 5th, Don and Karen Konickson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

On Saturday evening, Brent Hemley celebrated his birthday at the Legion in Plummer with friends.

Tri River Pioneers met at the museum on Monday evening. They discussed the 4th of July activities, also the field West of the city will be cultivated to prepare for seeding. There was a tractor coloring contest at school. They let the school know who won.

Pastor Jonathan, Kelly, Lila and Jack Dodson recently returned from an eight-day trip to Iceland. The weather

was foggy, rainy, snowy and also had a share of sunshine. They went to Reykjavik, the Capitol. There were many novelists there. They have geo-thermal and hydroelectric energy sources. They speak Danish, Icelandic, English and one other language. They saw glaciers and a lava tunnel. There were many birds and Arctic foxes to see, but no larger animals. They also saw many sheep and visited a greenhouse. Many of their meals included fish, lamb and hotdogs. It was a very enjoyable trip for the Dodson family.

On May 2nd, Gordon Lightfoot died at the age of 84. He wrote the songs "Sundown" and the well known "Edmund Fitzgerald". It was the ship that went down in Lake Superior in November of 1975. Twenty-nine lives were lost.

Have a good week!

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

We were rained on over the weekend. Our little gauge showed about 4 tenths of an inch. It sure did soften up the ground a little. This will green up some of the grass and help to germinate the seeds that have been planted. And yes, there are some farmers who have their fields planted. The early farmer gets the best yields these days with no rain for the bulk of the summer it is good to get out there early.

The Altoz Company had a huge open house on Thursday. Many people were there to tour the plant and to see what the lawn mowers that they produce are like. Altoz offered their guests a lunch that included pulled pork sandwiches and lots of goodies. That was the best pulled pork I've ever eaten, and I usually hate pulled pork sandwiches. Rusty, if you made these, I compliment you for your cooking finesse. Many of our friends were at the open house too and everyone of them were in a good mood after the nice weather we have had.

Clare and Margo Sheffert were there and we visited with them for a while. They came up to open their place after the winter. They enjoyed the tour of the plant and the lunch served. They left for the cities on Friday to beat the weekend traffic.

Danny Plante also visited with us at the plant. He lives in Red Lake Falls and works at Altoz. He says it is a great place to work and he likes it. He also said that he is taking care of his mother these days.

I also visited with Nicki Gullingsrud for a bit. She has a very energetic family that I observed while they ate. It is good to see the energy and fun kids can bring to a family. She and I shared stories, and she needed to get back to the family. It was especially good to see her.

The Kentucky Derby was a big story this past week where 7 horses died at the stables before the race and the deaths are being investigated now. In addition, before the race there were 5 scratches just moments before the start. It is very unusual for this to happen so there is some gossip about that. I wonder if they will find out why.

The coronation of King Charles III happened on Saturday. I saw the coronation of Queen Elizabeth way back there in history, so this was a special treat. The pomp and

majesty of this event is so impressive. It is fun to see what their kids do at these events. Sometimes you wonder what threats they got from their parents about behaving in the presence of the royalty.

There were 15 this time. Yes, there were 15 people shot, and 8 who died by gunfire at a mall in Texas. This is who we are now. There will be an investigation as to why he did it and where he bought the gun. It is so trite already. One reporter came from another mass shooting to report on this one and said "I can't remember between one shooting to another, about where and who did what anymore". This is our civilized America that we worked so hard to become. Somehow when the wild west was tamed it didn't take. We are back to that again.

Have a great week.

**Deadline:
Fridays at noon!**

Red Lake Falls Library

Going on now through the end of May, Snip 'N Stitch "Quilters Choice" quilt show with a wonderful variety of quilted items, including a completely handmade Yo-Yo quilt bedspread made up of 3,905 individual rosettes or "yo-yos." This remarkable quilt was made by Ella Mae Derossier (former librarian at the RLF Public Library) who started the project around 1965, worked on it off and on over the years, and finally finished it in April of this year. The public is welcome to stop by anytime during May to see the beautiful handiwork of all these talented quilters.

Parents with toddler are invited to attend Story Time every Thursday at 2:00 pm, where kids can hear stories and do a simple themed craft.

Storytime will run through the end of May, and resume in September. During the summer, young patrons are encouraged to participate in the Summer Reading Program which runs during June and July, with SRP days on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Flyers will be distributed to elementary school children this month with details about the program, and watch for more information on Facebook.