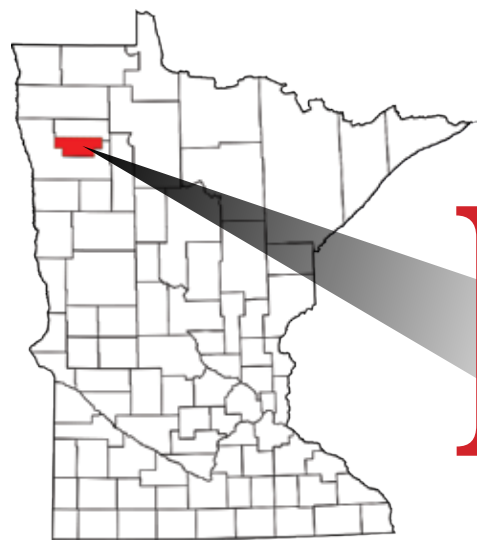




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Annual Moonlighter Safari to be held January 20th

On January 20, 2024, the Oklee Moonlighters Snowmobile Club will be hosting their 57th annual Safari Ride and Family Day.

The 57th annual event promises to be lots of fun for snowmobile enthusiasts and a great way to spend time with your family and friends.

The fun starts at noon when all interested riders gather at

TJ's Tavern in Oklee. The ride starts at 1:00 p.m. and the snowmobilers will return to Oklee and once again gather at TJ's Tavern in Oklee about 6:00 p.m.

There will be door prizes and music to follow the day's ride.

This is a fun day for all and many things have been planned.

Where is the snow?

By Eric Mickelson

Now as a farmer, starting tractors, feeding cows, hauling hay the lack of snow and cold have been welcomed this winter. My family did have an ice fishing trip planned but it was of course canceled and we do like ice fishing so I do understand for some this winter is not providing the usual entertainment it sometimes does.

When the kids were younger and at home we had a couple older snowmobiles and often after church on Sunday we would ride over to my parents farm taking the trails or the river and we did have a lot of fun. As I mentioned earlier over the last 10 years or so my family has also gotten into doing a little ice fishing. This winter hasn't allowed that. I know some have braved the conditions to try it out, but I am not into being part of a rescue mission. So although it hasn't been a huge part of my lifetime I do understand how some are wishing for more snow and yes even cold.

The last few years have provided enough snow for winter activities and also the pandemic helped sales of snowmobiles spike a little as you could go outdoors and ride and probably

not be spreading COVID. Many dealerships actually had good sales during the pandemic but this year is a different story. It is estimated that snowmobile sales are down 30-40%. One dealer in St. Cloud, Minnesota, reported that during a past weekend the St. Cloud area got a couple inches of rain. It is believed that if that weekend would have produced snow instead the dealership may sold as many as 40 snowmobiles!

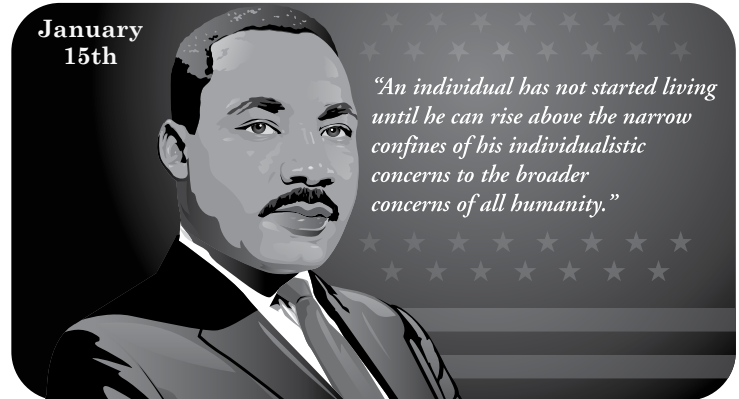
Resorts are feeling the pinch also. Without customers booking ice fishing trips or snowmobiling their income is down significantly. But, don't get too worried, I have confidence mother nature will provide some real winter shortly! In the meantime, sorry, I am still enjoying our winter.

Another thing that has happened is many fishing derbies and snowmobile races have been canceled. In my research I came across what you might call a vintage snowmobile picture from a past Oklee Herald article.

If you are itching for some winter fun, I hope you get the chance, and I hope you enjoy the picture of young Oklee resident, Paul Cyr, on his 340 Arctic Cat Puma!



Paul Cyr, age 15, collected four trophies in snowmobile events during that year.



"An individual has not started living until he can rise above the narrow confines of his individualistic concerns to the broader concerns of all humanity."

Women Ag Conference hosted by U of M Extension and Minnesota Farm Service Agency

A conference geared toward women in agriculture will be held in St. Cloud on February 6, 2024.

The Extension Women in Ag Conference will be from 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 6, 2024, at the St. Cloud Holiday Inn. The conference theme, Planting Possibilities: Shaping the Future of Farming, will provide insightful discussions and dynamic pre-

sentations specifically geared toward farmers on the pivotal role of "planning" – a cornerstone of any farm business.

This conference is for beginner, future, mid-career, or seasoned farmers, industry professionals, and agricultural enthusiasts. "Planning is essential for farmers in order to maximize efficiencies and realize dreams," said Susanne Hinrichs, Extension agricul-

tural business management educator. "This conference will offer topics for anyone who currently produces or wants to raise crops, livestock, or local foods producing food, fiber, and fuel."

For more information and to register, follow this link: z.umn.edu/WomenInAg2024.

The conference is hosted by the U of M Women in Ag Network in partnership with

the Minnesota Farm Service Agency. The cost is kept low due to sponsors including Minnesota Department of Agriculture, North Central Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education, Minnesota Corn Growers, AgCountry Farm Credit Services, and Coemper Financial. Early bird rates are available through January 22, 2024.

Wind Chill Chart



		Temperature (°F)																			
		Calm	40	35	30	25	20	15	10	5	0	-5	-10	-15	-20	-25	-30	-35	-40	-45	
Wind (mph)	5	36	31	25	19	13	7	1	-5	-11	-16	-22	-28	-34	-40	-46	-52	-57	-63		
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drop below zero. Adding even a small wind can drive the wind chill effect down to dangerous levels for anyone exposed to it for very long. The best way to avoid any danger is to stay indoors, but if you do feel the need to venture outdoors, make sure to take proper precautions and know how to spot the signs of frostbite and hypothermia.

Cold Weather Safety

Extremely cold air comes every winter into at least part of the country and affects millions of people across the United States. The arctic air can be dangerous. Combined with brisk winds, dangerously cold wind chill values can result. People exposed to extreme cold are susceptible to frostbite and can succumb to hypothermia in a matter of minutes. Areas most prone to frostbite are uncovered skin and the extremities, such as hands and feet. Hypothermia occurs when the body loses heat faster than it can produce it.

Cold weather can also affect crops. In late spring or early fall, cold air outbreaks can damage or kill produce for farmers, as well as residential plants and flowers. A freeze occurs when the temperature drops below 32°F. Freezes and their effects are significant during the growing season. Frost develops on clear, calm nights and can occur when the air temperature is in the mid-30s. Each plant species has a different tolerance to cold temperatures. You may also want to check out our winter safety site for snow and more cold season hazards information.

Heavy Snow and Ice

Heavy snow can immobilize a region: stranding commuters, closing airports, stopping the flow of supplies, and disrupting emergency and medical services. Accumulations of snow can cause roofs to collapse and knock down trees and power lines. Homes and farms may be isolated for days and unprotected livestock may be lost. The cost of snow removal, repairing damages, and the loss of business can have severe economic impacts on cities and towns.

Polar Vortex

The polar vortex is a large area of low pressure and cold air surrounding both of the Earth's poles. It ALWAYS exists near the poles, but weakens in summer and strengthens in winter. The term "vortex" refers to the counter-clockwise flow of air that helps keep the colder air near the Poles. Many times during winter in the northern hemisphere, the polar vortex will expand, sending cold air southward with the jet stream (see graphic above). This occurs fairly regularly during winter-time and is often associated with large outbreaks of Arctic

air in the United States. The one that occurred January 2014 is similar to many other cold outbreaks that have occurred in the past, including several notable colder outbreaks in 1977, 1982, 1985 and 1989.

There are several things the polar vortex is NOT. Polar vortices are not something new. The term "polar vortex" has only recently been popularized, bringing attention to a weather feature that has always been present. It is also not a feature that exists at the Earth's surface. Weather forecasters examine the polar vortex by looking at conditions tens of thousands of feet up in the atmosphere; however, when we feel extremely cold air from the Arctic regions at Earth's surface, it is sometimes associated with the polar vortex. This

is not confined to the United States. Portions of Europe and Asia also experience cold surges connected to the polar vortex. By itself, the only danger to humans is the magnitude of how cold temperatures will get when the polar vortex expands, sending Arctic air southward into areas that are not typically that cold.

In short, there is no cause to be alarmed when you hear about the polar vortex, but you should be prepared for colder temperatures. Check the forecast for your area on weather.gov to ensure you are dressed appropriately. It is also a good idea to check the items in your home and car emergency kits at the beginning of each winter season to ensure you are prepared for any type of hazardous winter weather.



Extension Advanced Crop Advisers Workshop set for January 24-25

Participants will gain knowledge to improve their crop production recommendations for farmers.

As a crop adviser, are you looking for details beyond those offered at traditional winter crop meetings? If so, you are invited to University of Minnesota and North Dakota State University Extension's Advanced Crop Advisers Workshop on Jan. 24-25 at the Fargo Holiday Inn.

"The committee of crop advisers that puts forward topic and speaker ideas help to put together a really great lineup of sessions," says Angie Peltier, University of Minnesota Extension crops educator and workshop co-chair. "Crops experts from universities in Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota and Wisconsin will be interacting with workshop participants regarding a dozen crop production topics."

Registration begins at 10:15 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 24 with the program scheduled from 11

a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Educational sessions include:

- How World Affairs and Weather Affect Grain Prices in the Northern Plains
- Can Stress Tolerance in Corn and Soybean Keep Yields Moving Up?
- The AI Crop Adviser
- Making Cents of Soil Health
- Asymbiotic N-fixing Organisms – Natural Populations and Commercial Products: What You Should Know and What Questions to Ask

To close the first day's pro-

gram, participants can enjoy socializing with other crop advisers at a social event while discussing the past season's crop production challenges and successes.

Registration and breakfast will begin at 7:30 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 25 and educational sessions are scheduled from 8 a.m. to noon. Topics include:

- Historical View of Corn and Soybean Production – What About the Future?
- Making Cents of Soil Health
- Identification and Management of New and Emerging Diseases of Corn, Soybean and Canola
- Soybean's Pest-a-palooza in 2023: Strategies for Managing Multiple Pests Simultaneously
- Asymbiotic N-fixing Organisms – Natural Populations and Commercial Products: What You Should Know and What Questions to Ask
- Is Biology Winning the Battle Against Soybean Phytophthora Root and Stem Rot?
- Avoiding Train Wrecks: Monitoring and Managing Corn Rootworms

Visit www.ndsu.edu/agriculture/ag-hub/events/advanced-crop-advisers-workshop for details and electronic preregistration. The workshop fee is \$200 per person or \$150 if attending only one day of the workshop.

Certified Crop Advisers will have the opportunity to receive 8 continuing education units by participating in both days of the event.

For more information, contact Peltier at (218) 281-8692 or NDSU Extension's Greg Endres (workshop co-chair) or Linda Schuster at (701) 652-2951.

Church News

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Linda Molitor
okleelutheran.org
Wed, Jan. 10: 6:00 p.m. Chime Choir, 7:00 p.m. Confirmation.
Thu, Jan. 11: 7:00 p.m. Parish Meeting at Zion.
Sun, Jan. 14: 9:00 a.m. Zion. No SS at Salem. No SS at Zion. 10:30 a.m. Salem.
Wed, Jan. 17: 6:00 p.m. Chime Choir, 7:00 p.m. Family Worship night.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF OKLEE, GRYGLA & GOODRIDGE
Fr. Bryan Kujawa
www.oggcatholic.org
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. St. Francis - Oklee. 10:15 a.m. - Grygla. 12:00 p.m. - Goodridge.

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 RLF LUTHERAN PARISH
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, Jan. 14: 9 a.m. Worship @ Ebenezer. 10:30 a.m. Worship @ Bethany. 7 p.m. Worship at Immanuel.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith
Wed, Jan. 10: Release Time/Confirmation.
Sun, Jan. 14: Bethany: 8 a.m. Worship. 9 a.m. SS. Ekelund: 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m. SS. Faith: 10 a.m. SS, 11 a.m. Worship.
Mon, Jan. 15: 9 a.m. Quilting.
Wed, Jan. 17: Release Time/Confirmation.

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.

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Every 4th Tuesday - Thief River Falls

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

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CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive - Nazareth
Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseth
Facebook:
clearwaterlutheranparish
Wed, Jan 10: 5 p.m. Wednesday School. 6:30 Vespers.
Sat, Jan. 13: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, Jan. 14: St. Petri: 8:00 a.m. Oak Park: 8:45 a.m. SS, 9:45 a.m. Nazareth: 10 a.m. SS, 11 a.m. Worship.
Wed, Jan 17: 5 p.m. Wednesday School. 6:30 Vespers.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Jarred LeBon, Pastor
Tyler Stynsberg, Assoc. Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Sundays: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. 10:00 a.m. Worship.
Tuesdays: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions.
Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, Jan. 10: Confirmation: 5 p.m. 7th Grade; 6:30 p.m. 8th Grade.
Sun, Jan. 14: 9 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.
Wed, Jan. 17: Confirmation: 5 p.m. 7th Grade; 6:30 p.m. 8th Grade.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston
Seth Johnson,
www.facebook.com/bethel-fosston
Sundays: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.
Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m. Kids, High School & Adult programs.

Oklee Senior Site Dining

January 15 - 19
Oklee Senior Meals (LSS Meals) are available for Home Delivery, Monday-Friday. Please call the Cathy or Carolyn at the RLF LSS Kitchen the day before, by 12 noon at 218-253-4454.

Mon: Jan. 15: Honey Glazed Chicken & Rice, Vegetables, Bread/Butter, Fresh Fruit, Low Fat Milk.

Tue: Jan. 16: Pizza Pasta Casserole, Green Beans, Texas Toast/Butter, Peaches, Low Fat Milk.

Wed: Jan. 17: Chicken/Wild Rice Soup, Mixed Vegetables, Bread/Bunners Cinnamon Baked Apples, Cake, Low Fat Milk.

Thu: Jan. 18: Roast Turkey w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Dinner Roll/Butter, Fruit Crisp, Baked Apple, Low Fat Milk.

Fri: Jan. 19: Salmon Loaf, Rice Pilaf, Peas, Bread/Butter, Peanut Butter Bar, Low Fat Milk.

Jumpin' Jax Cafe

Hours are Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.
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Without proper care for it we can have no community, because without proper care for it we can have no life. The ultimate goal of farming is not the growing of crops, but the cultivation and perfection of human beings.

Oklee MOONLIGHTERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB

57th SAFARI RIDE / FAMILY DAY

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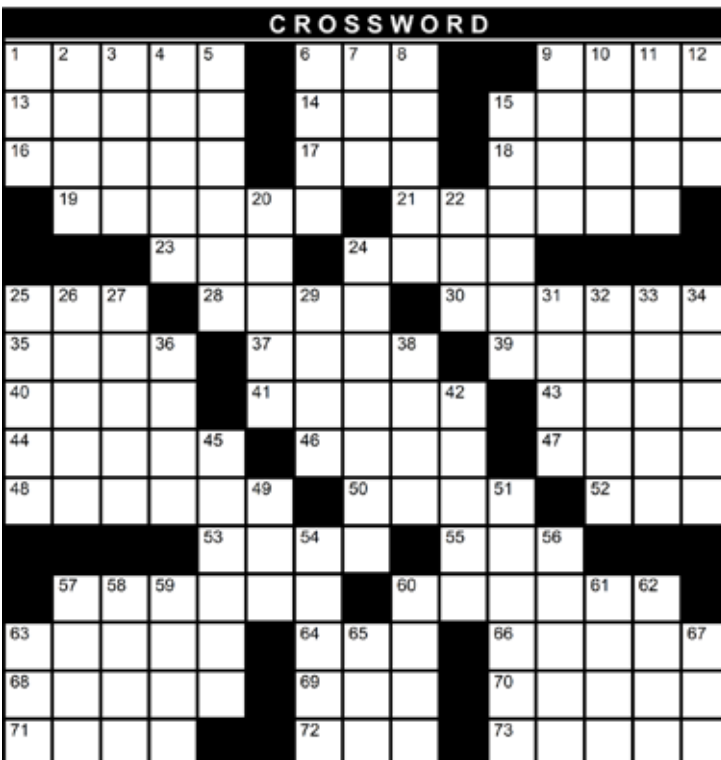
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- Half of NFL
- "Oscar" of sports
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- Dugout glider
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- Face-to-face exams
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- Sheik's bevy?
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- Courtroom excuse
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- Land of taekwondo
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- "The Sun ____ Rises"
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- High affair
- Barack Obama, pre-pres.



Oklee Centennial Cookbook Recipe Corner - Page 203

Wild Rice Chicken Casserole Cheryl (Hanson) Degrugillier

- 1 cup butter
1 cup flour
1 Tbsp plus 1 tsp salt
1/2 tsp pepper
3 cups chicken broth
4-1/2 cups half and half
8 - 12 chicken breasts, cooked and cut into chunks
1 chopped green and 1 red pepper
2/3 cup sliced water chestnuts
1 cup mushrooms
2 cups uncooked wild rice cooked to package directions

Melt butter in large pan. Blend in flour, salt, and pepper. Cook over heat, stirring constantly until mixture is smooth and bubbly. Remove from heat. Stir in chicken broth and milk. Heat to boiling, stirring constantly. Boil 1 minute and add remaining ingredients. Place into (2) 9 x 13 class casseroles. Bake 40 to 45 minutes at 350 degrees uncovered. May be made day before or frozen.

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Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial Update

Flags at the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial were lowered to half staff on Friday, January 5th, by the RLCC Student Senate under the direction of Mr Huie.

Governor Walz orders Flags to Fly at Half-Staff to Honor Sergeant Cade Michael Wolfe

Governor Tim Walz has ordered all United States and Minnesota flags to fly at half-staff from sunrise until sunset on Friday, January 5, in honor of Sergeant Cade Michael Wolfe's memorial. Sgt. Wolfe,

a Mankato native, was killed in an aircraft crash during a training exercise over the Mediterranean Sea in November.

"Minnesota is deeply saddened by the loss of Sgt. Cade Michael Wolfe, a Minnesotan who dedicated himself to selflessly serving our nation and keeping our country safe," said Governor Walz. "With deep gratitude, Minnesota recognizes Sgt. Cade Michael Wolfe for his dedicated service to, and sacrifice for, his state and country. His family, loved ones, and community are in our prayers."

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Quin County CHS

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Sudoku Solution

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

Oklee Office Hours

I am usually in the office most Fridays (call to check) and I will be in the office on Monday, January 15 from 10 a.m. till 2 p.m.

If you need get a hold of me when I'm not in the office, please call 612-840-9401 or email me at: okleeherald@gmail.com.

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RLCC Menus

January 15 - 19

Oklee

Monday: No School- Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Do-nut, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Orange Chicken, Fried Rice, Egg Roll, Vegetable, Fruit, and Milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Apple Fritter, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Quesadilla, Lettuce Salad, Cottage Cheese, Fresh Vegetables, Fruit, and Milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Pancake on a Stick, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Ham Patty, Hash Brown Patty, Vegetables, Fruit, and Milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon Roll, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Hamburger or Pizza Patty, Potato Wedges, Vegetables, Fruit, and Milk.

Plummer

Monday: No School- Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Waffles, Yogurt, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Chicken Alfredo, Garlic Toast, Green Beans, Fruit, and Milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Toast w/PB&J, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Hard Shell Tacos, Toppings, Cucumbers, Fruit, and Milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Scrambled Eggs & Ham, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Pulled Pork w/bun, corn, Coleslaw, Fruit, and Milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Long John, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Cheesy Bread, Marinara Sauce, Salad, Fruit, and Milk.

RLCC Sports Schedules

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

RLCC Mustangs Girls Varsity BB

Thu, Jan 11: 7:30PM vs. Warren/Alvarado/ Oslo @ Plummer

Mon, Jan 15: 7:30PM vs. Win-E-Mac @ WEM HS

Tue, Jan 16: 7:30PM vs. Northern Freeze @ Oklee

Fri, Jan 19: 7:30PM vs. Sacred Heart High School @ Sacred Heart High School.

Mon, Jan, 22: 7:30PM vs. Blackduck Public @ Blackduck High School

Thu, Jan. 25: 7:30PM C a s s Lake-Bena @ Oklee.

Tue, Jan. 30: 7:30PM vs. Red Lake Falls @ Red Lake Falls High School.

Thu, Feb 1: 7:30PM Kittson Central @ Plummer.

Mon, Feb 5: 7:30PM Away vs. Northern Freeze @ Newfolden

RLC Rebel BBB

Fri, Jan 12: 7:30PM vs. Warren/Alvarado/ Oslo @ WAO HS

Tue, Jan 16: 7:30PM vs. Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears @ RLF HS

Thu, Jan 18: 7:30PM vs. Crookston @ Crookston High School

Fri, Jan 19: 7:30PM vs. Win-E-Mac @ Red Lake Falls High School

Tue, Jan. 23: 7:30PM vs. Kittson Central @ Lancaster School.

Thu, Jan. 25: 7:30PM vs. Roseau @ Red Lake Falls High School.

Fri, Jan. 26: 7:30PM vs. Climax-Fisher @ Plummer.

Tue, Jan. 30: 7:30PM vs. Stephen-Argyle Central Storm @ Stephen-Argyle Central High School

Thu, Feb 1: 7:30PM. Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears @ Clearbrook-Gonvick High School

Fri, Feb 2: 7:30PM vs. Warren/Alvarado/ Oslo @ Red Lake Falls High School

Tue, Feb 6: 7:30PM vs. Mahnomen @ Red Lake Falls High School

Mustangs Fight Hard Against Top Falcons Team



Both teams look in anticipation of the basket. Quinn Graves, Jennifer Johnson, Natalee Hendrickson, McKaelyn Frizzle, and Carley Vettleson are on court.

By Ciara Mitzner

On Tuesday, January 2nd, 2024, the Mustangs hosted the Fertile-Beltrami Falcons. The Mustangs started hot, going on an 8-0 run versus the Falcons. However, the Falcons started to recover after the run, with the scoreboard at halftime showing the Mustangs in the lead. Both teams came out hot in the second half, fighting hard to try to take the win. The junior varsity Mustangs ultimately came out on top.

The varsity contest was more of the same. Both teams started hot, scoring on most of their possessions. However, at

the end of the first half, the scoreboard read 31-22 in favor of the Falcons. Both teams played well throughout the second half, but the Fertile-Beltrami Falcons came out on top, the final score being 60-36.

Carly Vettleson led the Mustangs in points, making 11 of the total 36. McKaelyn Frizzle also had 7 points for the Mustangs, followed by Natalee Hendrickson with 6. Tori Erickson led the Falcons in points, finishing with 22. Following Erickson were Madison Stuenness with 15 and Katrina Hitchen with 9 for the Falcons.

The Girls traveled to

Mahnomen on Thursday, January 4th, to take on the Thunder. The Mustangs started with an early deficit but would tie the game heading into halftime. The 'Thunderbirds' defense would carry them to a 61 to 46 victory in the second half. The Mustangs play the Chargers on Monday, January 8th, and will take on the Red Lake Falls Eagles in Oklee on Tuesday, January 9th. On January 11th, 2024,

The Mustangs will host the W-A-O Ponies in Plummer. Mr. Mitch Bernstein and Mr. Kory Baril coach the Mustangs.



Emma Hendrickson passes to Jennifer Johnson as Quinn Graves and Carly Vettleson break free from the Falcon defense.

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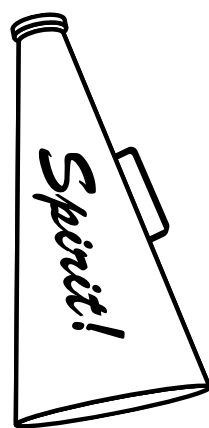
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Connor Duden up for a shot while Will Gieseke, Gunnar Halverson, and Owen Chervestad prepare for the next play.



Ben Gullingsrud hustles through a wall of Freeze Players for a bucket.



RLCC High School Students of the Month



November Students of the Month were: Violet Tvedt (Junior High) and Keira Morinville (Senior High).

Red Lake County Central High School announces November Students of the Month

By Oliver Russillo

Before winter break, Red Lake County Central High School honored Keira Morinville, and Violet Tvedt as November Students of the Month. Junior High SOM, Violet Tvedt, is the daughter of Gary Tvedt and Robin Tvedt. Violet is in the ninth grade, and her favorite teacher is Mr. Strutz because he is nice and is a good teacher. Violet has always looked up to her dad as her role model. Teachers nominated Violet as student of the month because she puts a lot of work and effort into producing quality work. "Violet is always looking for ways to improve her work," Mr. Strutz noted, and all teachers agreed.

Violet would like to become a business banker when she graduates high school.

Keira Morinville is the Senior High November Student of the month. Teachers nominated Keira for student of the month because she has a strong positive influence on all of her activities, including Volleyball, Student Senate, and Minnesota National Honor Society. She says she likes all of her teachers, but Mr. P (Mr. Bryan Paskvan) is her favorite. Keira's heroes are her parents, Robyn and Chris Morinville. She has two brothers, Jackson and Easton, and two sisters, Harper and Brooklyn. Keira plans on continuing her education at the University of Minnesota, Crookston, to study Accounting. All of us at RLCC wish her the best of luck!

Congratulations to Violet and Keira

Team Work Makes the Dream Work: Rebels Continue their Winning Streak

By Connor Duden and Atley Vettleson

The Red Lake County Rebels traveled to East Grand Forks on December 22nd to take on the Sacred Heart Eagles. This was a very anticipated game with the only two undefeated teams left in Section 8A. The game didn't disappoint the crowd.

The Rebels and Eagles went back and forth the whole first half, but the Rebels went into halftime up 38-32. In the 2nd half, the Rebels could build a double-digit lead, but the Eagles fought back and kept it close. The Rebels edged out the Eagles and picked up the win 79-70.

The Rebels were led by Connor Duden, who had 23 pts and 17 rebounds. Owen

Chervestad also had 19 pts, 7 rebounds and 7 assists. The Rebels improved to 7-0 and are the last undefeated team in Section 8A.

On January 4th, The Rebels hosted Northern Freeze in Plummer. The Rebels won this game with a score of 66-49. The Rebels are the last undefeated team in Section 8A, with a record of 8-0. The Rebels face the Sacred Heart Eagles again in Red Lake Falls on January 8. The next three games will be away, traveling to Warren-Alvarado-Oklee on Friday, January 12th, Clearbrook-Gonvick on January 16th, and Crookston on January 18th. The Rebels are coached by Mr. Steve Pillion and Mr. Randy Huie

Do You Remember?

By Eric W. Mickelson

Do you remember the Oklee Saddle Club?

By Eric W. Mickelson

When I was growing up a family friend was Donnie Larson, or as my dad called him "Big Don!"

Those of us who remember Donnie know of two things he loved, horses and country western music. Probably the biggest connection my family had with "Big Don" was music. Dad and Donnie played a lot of music together over the years. We would have "jam sessions" either at our place or maybe over at Engvald Larson's, where Donnie was living at the time. We might get together with Vernon Iverson, Vernon Wold, and Orlan Hanson. If we headed to Thief River Falls we might get to play music with Soo Line Railroad engineer Hillary Stoltman. When I was old enough I would get to play

along and later my brother, Cole, joined in. Many hours of good times and good memories came out of Donnie and my dad's love of country music.

Oh yes, "Big Don's" other love was horses. Donnie would often call the house and talk with mom, dad, me, or whoever wanted to listen in! His passion for horses was obvious. Donnie was the driving force behind the forming of the Oklee Saddle Club. The first officers were Donnie Larson, president, Eileen Lerohl, secretary and Mary Gunderson, treasurer. Some of the early shows were held at the Oklee Speedway west of town.

In about 1976 the club was reorganized under a new name, The Golden Spur Saddle Club. The new officers included Janet Brown, president, Donnie Larson, vice president, Donna Jensen, secretary, Roxanne

Bishop, treasurer, and Mary Marquis, historian. Over its years of existence other officers included Charles Bishop, Sharon Jensen, and many other members from Oklee, Brooks, Plummer, and Red Lake Falls took part in activities.

The group sponsored horse shows drawing large crowds of equestrians from all over the state of Minnesota. With much work from many individuals and a push from Donnie Larson an arena was built north of the Oklee Farmers Coop Elevator. The club held trail rides and an overnight camp-out at the Bud Wishard Ranch near Trail. Several members also attended the Morris Stampede in Morris, Manitoba.

I remember attending a show or two in Oklee and am glad I got to be a part of another piece of Oklee History, one of my favorite things!



Some of the winners at a horse show Sunday are pictured at the close of the event. Oklee Saddle Club was the sponsor and it was held at the Oklee Speedway.

Red Lake County Sheriff

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On the afternoon of 12/29/23, an individual reported a theft of property from a location in Garnes Township. That report remains under investigation.

On the evening of 12/30/23, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of a male party, passed out, inside of a running vehicle in front of the Legion in Plummer. Red Lake County deputies responded and had to find the owner of the vehicle to provide an extra set of keys to unlock the vehicle. The occupant appeared to be under the influence of illegal controlled substances. Wade Christopher LaPlante (36) of Detroit Lakes was arrested for physically controlling a motor vehicle while under the influence of illegal controlled substances. Mr. LaPlante was uncooperative, and deputies had to use force to apprehend him. He was taken to jail in Crookston and was booked for gross misdemeanor DUI, misdemeanor driving after revocation and obstructing. He appeared in Court in Crookston on 01/02/24. Mr. LaPlante posted \$800 cash bail and was released with court-ordered conditions. He will appear in Court in Red Lake Falls later this month.

On the evening of 12/30/23, a Red Lake County deputy responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a Red Lake Falls residence. The deputy counseled some juveniles who were involved in a dispute.

The situation was mediated.

On the evening of 12/31/23, a juvenile female from Thief River Falls was cited for speeding on Main Ave. in Red Lake Falls.

In the early morning hours of 01/01/24, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of a single-vehicle crash along Hwy. #59 north of Plummer. The caller claimed there were no injuries, but the vehicle was severely damaged. A Red Lake County deputy responded to the scene, and a Minnesota State Trooper was also dispatched. The vehicle was towed from the scene. The Minnesota State Patrol is handling the crash investigation.

On the morning of 01/01/24, Ryan Scott Jacobs (41) of Pelican Rapids was cited for speeding on Hwy. #59 south of Brooks.

On the morning of 01/01/24, Mary Beth Espeseth (63) of Thief River Falls was cited for speeding on Hwy. #59 south of Brooks.

On the morning of 01/01/24, Connor Michael Houle (19) of Ramsey, MN was cited for failure to move over for an emergency vehicle on Hwy. #59 south of Brooks.

On the afternoon of 01/01/24, Jack Eugene Manning (19) of Thief River Falls was cited for speeding on Hwy. #59 north of Brooks.

On the afternoon of 01/01/24, Christian Dean Roski (24) of Rochester was cited for speeding on Hwy. #59 south

of Brooks.

In the early morning hours of 01/05/24, a Red Lake County deputy stopped a vehicle for illegal and unsafe driving conduct on CR. #11 west of Red Lake Falls. The driver and lone occupant of the vehicle was James Marvin Hanson (27) of Red Lake Falls. The deputy discovered that Mr. Hanson was under the influence of alcohol and marijuana. He was arrested, cited for misdemeanor DWI and released from custody later the same morning. Mr. Hanson will be summonsed to appear in Court in Red Lake Falls later this month.

Mitch Bernstein, Red Lake County Sheriff: 01/05/24



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.

Note: Please call Red Lake Falls LSS Site to order or cancel your meals from now on. Jo Lambert will no longer be taking the orders. Call Carolyn or Cathy at 218-253-4454 to order your meals.

SAIL Classes

SAIL exercise class are held

on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10am in the Oklee Hall. It is FREE to join. Sign up at the Senior Site or call Jo Lambert at 218-796-4527 or Carol Kvasager at 218-201-0180.

Hours for Craft Shop

The Craft Shop is open by appointment. If Bonny is in the Oklee Office, she can help you or call Jo Lambert at 218-796-4527.

Dates To Remember

Wednesday: Cards at 1:30 p.m. If you would like to come play cards, come on in and and enjoy some fun game time vis-

iting with your fellow seniors.

Monthly Meeting

The next meeting will be on January 18th the Oklee Senior Site will be holding their monthly meeting at 9:30 a.m. It is important for seniors to attend as we need a quorum to be able to vote on items discussed. If you want your input to be considered, please attend.

Hope you are all enjoying the nice weather without snow!

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

I hope you all had a safe and fun New Year's Eve. The TV had a couple of good shows on with entertainers that night.

Rick Greenwald of White Bear Lake, MN came for a two day visit to Plummer.

On Thursday, Alice Jobe had a turkey dinner at Anna DeHate's. She's a good cook.

Since we've had a little snow, I'm still waiting to go

skiing for the first time. It's so different than last winter. In January last year, we had a few inches, though, I didn't write it down on the calendar.

The school kids enjoyed two weeks off for Christmas vacation. Some may have been disappointed because of the lack of snow for snowmobiling.

There was a good crowd for Bingo on Wednesday night at

Bonny's Bits

okleeherald@gmail.com

Well, it been awhile since I wrote a column for the paper. I'm out of practice and will give it a try.

What is happening in the area? Well, I don't know much as everything now seems to be on facebook. I'm not a facebook person, but I'm trying to get the hang of it so I can find news items and things of interest for the readers.

Here are a few bits and pieces from facebook:

- The Red Lake Falls Boys Varsity Hockey Teams game against International Falls tonight, Friday, January 5th at Internationals Falls had been postponed due to poor road conditions. Game has been rescheduled for Tuesday, February 6th at 5:00 p.m.

- RLCC Elementary School is having Open Gym on Sundays from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. If you are 6th grade and below you need an adult or guardian with you. 7th grade to adult, no guardian needed.

- 2024 Oklee Volunteer Firemen's Blizzard Bonanza is going to be held on February 3rd at the Oklee Community Hall.

If you have an event happening, please send email or call. We would appreciate the heads up.

Now for some fun stuff. I probably had this is a few years back.

I am a Seenager (Senior teenager).

I have everything that I wanted as a teenager, only 50-60 years later.

Don't have to go to school or work.

I get an allowance every month.

I have my own ipad.

I don't have a curfew.

I have a driver's license and my own car.

I have an ID that gets me into bars and the wine store. I like the wine store best.

The people I hang around with are not scared of getting pregnant, they aren't scared of anything, they have been blessed to live this long, why be scared?

And I don't have acne.

Life is Good! Also, you will feel much more intelligent after reading this, if you are a Seenager.

Brains of older people are slow because they know so much.

People do not decline mentally with age; it just takes them longer to recall facts because they have more information in their brains.

Scientists believe this also makes you hard of hearing as it puts pressure on your inner ear.

Also, older people often go to another room to get something and when they get there, they stand there wondering what they came for. It is NOT a memory problem; it is nature's way of making older people do more exercise.

SO THERE!!

I have more friends I should send this to, but right now I can't remember their names.

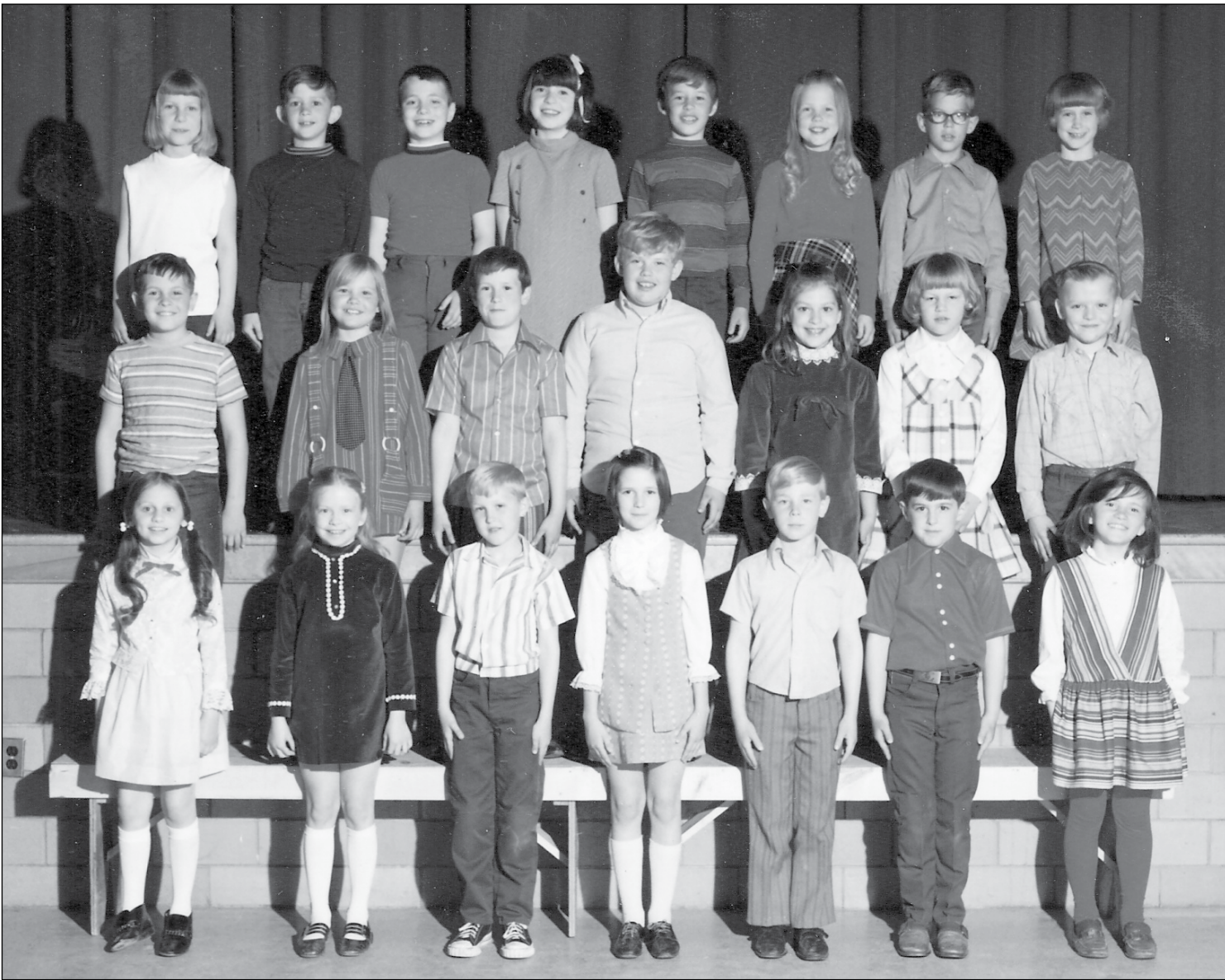
So please forward this to your friends; they may be my friends, too.

Well, have a good week, send me some Who Dat photos, I need some new stock. I'm sure you have some good ones to share.

Crossword Solution

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OPTIC	SEA	CANOE
STALE	HER	ORALS
SHANTY	PLUNGE	
FIR	BIAS	
CPA	COCA	HICCUP
ORBS	TORN	NORMA
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KOREA	LEA	NORSE
AWAY	MAR	YUKON

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat?

This week's photo is of a class of elementary students from the 60's or 70's. I think I recognized one of the students, but until someone calls, I don't know for sure.

Last week's photo was of a two young men from the Oklee or maybe the Plummer area. Been hard finding out and many names have been put forward. Some of the names suggested for the person on the left were Jon Lindquist,



Mark Kirkpatrick. If anyone knows who these two people are, please call and leave a message at the office or email: okleeherald@gmail.com.

Everyone has a photo or two that would be great for this column. Please share them with our readers as it is one of most popular columns of the Red Lake County Herald.

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 envelope so the photos can be returned. Mail them to: Red Lake County Herald, PO Box 9, Oklee MN 56742 Or stop by the office and I will scan your photo while you wait.

Wednesday, January 10, 2024