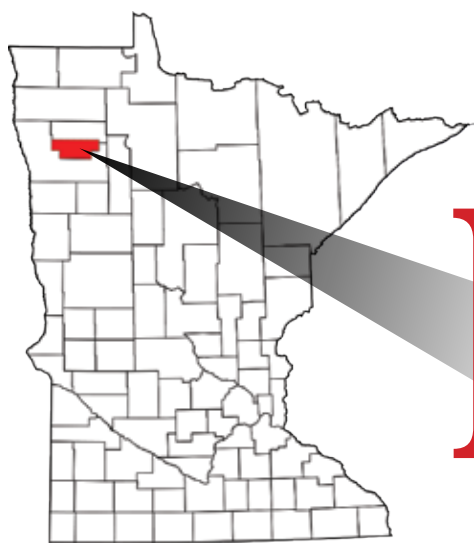




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These four men, Vincent Dessellier, John Lerohl, Steve Koralewski and Bryan Bjerklie received Honor Quilts from the Red, White & Blue Quilters Guild, at the American Legion Post 159 Flag Burning ceremony held on June 14th at the Oklee Veteran's Memorial Park.

American Legion Post 159 and American Legion Auxiliary Unit 159, Oklee, hosted a flag burning ceremony and potluck meal on Friday, June 14th at 5:30 pm at the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial site in Oklee.

Hamburgers, hot dogs and an assortment of salads and desserts were served. The public was invited to attend and are encouraged to bring flags that must be disposed of in a proper manner.

There was a nice sized group of veteran's and others at the potluck and Flag Burning ceremony enjoying the nice evening weather Friday night.

In addition, the Red, White and Blue Quilters Guild held a presentation of a quilt to a veteran. Receiving quilts that evening were Vincent Dessellier, John Lerohl, Steve Koralewski and Bryan Bjerklie. Grace Dessellier and Shirley Dessellier presented the quilts and Commander Bryan Bjerklie gave a short history of the men who served before calling them up to accept the quilt.

After the meal and the presentation of quilts, the Legion members first inspected the flags to make sure they are damaged before burning the flags. It is a very special ceremony to dispose of damaged flags and after burning the ashes are disposed of by a member of the American Legion and no one other than that person knows where that location is.



Commander Bryan Bjerklie, Larry Skallet, Rick Dulka, John Lerohl, Jan Dulka, Vincent Dessellier and Don Brown were inspecting the flags and moving them over to the other table for burning.



The attendees were visiting and watching the process of inspecting the flags.

Below: The American Legion members slowly add flags to the fire to be destroyed.



The American Legion supplies the meat and everyone else brings a dish to share! Yum!

Coach Gary Brantl to be Honored

By Eric Mickelson

If you grew up in the Plummer-Oklee area and especially were involved with the school system or sports, then you know of Gary Brantl. If you head to a football game in the town of Plummer you will watch a game at Brantl Field, dedicated so in July 2005! I guess you could say Gary Brantl is kind of a legend in the community of Plummer as well as being well known throughout northwestern Minnesota.

Gary graduated from Crookston High School in 1966 where he was involved in football, and track and joined wrestling in 1964. At this time the wrestling program was only a few years old. He graduated from Mayville State University in 1970, where he studied physical education, health, and social studies. He also wrestled for the Mayville State Comets for one year!

After graduating from college he began his teaching career at Plummer, Minnesota, where he worked for 49 years. Gary taught 7-10th grade So-

cial Studies as well as a couple sections of Phy Ed. He started the wrestling program there in 1972. He coached many successful teams that represented the town of Plummer and later combined with Erskine and finally in 1982 again combined with Oklee and McIntosh. During this time Gary and Charles Bishop shared the coaching duties.

The Oklee Plummer program produced many great wrestlers including the first ever state champion John(Bud)Cyr in 1983. Later Darrin Tougas in 1984 and Todd Bergeron in 1986 and 1987 also won state titles.

Gary was very active in the school system. He retired from the coaching of wrestling in 1996 but was also football coach from 1970-2004. He remained athletic director until 2019. During my years as a student athlete, teacher, and coach I had many opportunities to cross paths with Gary and can only say that he was a class act in the classroom and on the field or mat!



Gary Brantl, coach for many years at RLCC Schools.

Gary Brantl will be honored in Crookston, MN, on July 7, 2024, and will be inducted into the MN Wrestling Hall of Fame with a special "Pioneer" award. This award is given to individuals who started wrestling programs in these prospective communities!

Gary and his wife Sue Ann live in Thief River Falls and are happy to be busy with family and grandchildren!

Congratulations Gary!

Traveling Art Exhibit Stops in Warroad

The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council (NW-MAC) sponsors an annual Traveling Art Exhibit, which visits northwest Minnesota communities throughout the year. This exhibit includes 14 original pieces of art by regional adult and stu-

dent artists, chosen from works submitted for our annual juried exhibit. The exhibit is currently at the Warroad Public Library until August 6. Please stop by to see these works of art. Some of these pieces of art are for sale.



NWMAC Traveling Art Exhibit at Warroad Public Library

The 2024-2025 Artists and Artwork:

Beau Bakken, Hallock, "Sunday Evening Classy Entertainment" (Acrylic Painting)

Kelly Chisholm, Gary "John Lennon" (Drawing)

Tammy Hansen, Newfolden, "Flower and Feather" (Acrylic Painting)

Denise R. Jenson, Badger, "Found Lying Together" (Photography)

Steve Bernard, Erskine, "Candlelight Dinner" (Oil Painting)

Sarah Solberg, Plummer, "Canyon X" (Photography)

Jessica Lundeen, Thief River Falls "Sunny" (Drawing)

Izzy Swensen, Lancaster, "Purple Iris" (Watercolor Painting)

Lancaster School Student Merit

Kerstyn Lindsey, Borup, "Sprinkles" (Ceramic Sculpture)

Ada-Borup-West School

Brigitta Novacek, Roseau, "The Pink Cloud Replica"

(Acrylic Painting) Roseau High School

Geneva Gartner, Fertile, "Flying Around" (Mosaic)

Fertile-Beltrami School

Mary Jane Crane, Red Lake Falls, "Beauty in Self Image" (Drawing)

Red Lk Falls School 3rd place

Ava Halvorson, Goodridge, "Sundown in Star Township" (Acrylic Painting)

Goodridge School

Kinsley Oslund, Grygla, "Perfect and Deep Love" (Watercolor Painting)

Grygla School

The 2024-2025 Traveling Exhibit Schedule*:

May to June 11 Crookston Public Library, Crookston

June 11 to August 6 Warroad Public Library, Warroad

August 6 to September 24 Hallock Public Library, Hallock

September 24 to November 19 Godel Public Library, Warren



November 19 to January 21 Thief River Falls Public Library, Thief River Falls

January 21 to March 4, 2025 Red Lake Falls Public Library, Red Lake Falls

March 4, 2025 to Annual Exhibit TBD Ada Public Library, Ada

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Church News

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Okleelutheran.org
Sun, June 23: 9:00 a.m. Zion. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. Salem.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF OKLEE, GRYGLA & GOODRIDGE
Fr. Bryan Kujawa
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. St. Frances – Oklee; 10:15 a.m. – Grygla. 12: p.m. – Goodridge.

BROOKS – RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bob Schreiner
Saturday: 5:30 p.m. St. Joseph – RLF.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. – Brooks. 10:00 a.m. St. Joseph – RLF.

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, June 23: 9:00 am Worship at Ebenezer. 10:30 am Worship at Immanuel (Pr. Jonathan), 7:00 pm Worship at Bethnay (SAM Allen).

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith
Sun, June 23: Ekelund: 8:30 a.m. Worship. Faith: 10:00 a.m. Worship, Bethany: 7:00 p.m. Worship.

Oklee Senior Site Dining

June 24 - 28
Oklee Senior Meals (LSS Meals) are available for Home Delivery, Monday-Friday. Please call Carolyn at the RLF LSS Kitchen the day before, by 12 noon at 218-253-4454.

Mon: Chicken Broccoli & Rice Casserole, Carrot Coins, Dinner Roll/Margarine, Lemon Bar, 1% Milk.

Tue: Pork Carnitas, Rice Pilaf, Green Peas, Dinner Roll/Margarine, Applesauce Swirl Cake, 1% Milk.

Wed: Meatloaf w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Corn, Bread/Margarine, Fresh Fruit, 1% Milk.

Thu: Tuna Noodle & Pea Casserole, Broccoli Florets, Dinner Roll/Margarine, Fruited Gelatin Parfait, 1% Milk.

Fri: Ginger Pot Roast, Au Gratin Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Dinner Roll/Margarine, Chilled Peaches, 1% Milk.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive – Nazareth
Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Ron Pederson
Sat, June 22: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, June 23: St. Petri: 8:00 a.m. Nazareth: 9:45 a.m. Worship. Oak Park: 9:30 a.m. Brunch Fundraiser, 11 a.m. Worship.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10 am Worship.
Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Devotions.
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, June 19: 2 p.m. Sand Valley Ladies Aid. 8 p.m. Parish Board meeting at Sand Valley.
Sun, June 23: 9 a.m. Lund 10:30 a.m. Bethany.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

Tri-Valley Public Transportation

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Every 4th Tuesday – Thief River Falls

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

Every 2nd & 4th Friday – Bemidji.



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*The start and end dates at each location are approximate, depending on weather, venue hours and other circumstances that may occur to prohibit travel. For specific library hours, please contact each location before planning your visit, especially if you are planning on bringing a group.

**Tentatively scheduled
For more information about the Traveling Exhibit or our other exhibits look to our website at www.NWArtsCouncil.org, call our office at (218)-745-8886 or contact Trey at treyeverettcreates@gmail.com or NWArtsCouncil@gmail.com.



"Over the past month, businesses across the county donated \$3,400 in supplies to our local childcare providers. The Grow Red Lake County Childcare Task force thanks all the businesses and clubs that donated and continue to show support to those caring for our little learners!

THANK YOU:
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Bids are due at the Red Lake County Central High school by July 9th.

Mail to RLCC ISD 2906 PO Box 100, Oklee, MN 56742 or email rlccan-drifsupt@gvtel.com Any questions please call 218-465-4222. O14-16C



If you have a fish picture you would like to share, stop by the office on Mondays. Or snap a photo with your phone and text to 612-840-9401. with the information needed. Thanks!

Red Lake County Sheriff

www.facebook.com/RedLakeCounty/

On the morning of 06/07/24, Jason Lee Aakhus (50) of Red Lake Falls was arrested in Red Lake Falls for violating the terms of his supervised probation. He was taken to jail in Crookston and was released from custody on 06/10/24.

On the afternoon of 06/07/24, Red Lake County law enforcement officers and the Red Lake Falls Fire Department responded to a report of a vehicle on fire near the intersection of 1st St. S. and Main Ave. in Red Lake Falls. A bystander was able to extinguish the fire with a can of Red Bull prior to the Fire Department's arrival. The car was substantially damaged by the fire that ignited in the engine compartment when the vehicle was started. The owner was advised to have a mechanic look it over before they attempted to start it again.

On the evening of 06/07/24, a Red Lake County deputy counseled three juveniles in Plummer who were harassing an individual who was trying to enjoy a campfire in their backyard.

In the early morning hours of 06/08/24, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of an individual sleeping and snoring loudly in a hallway at an apartment building in Red Lake Falls. A Red Lake County deputy responded and assisted an intoxicated male into their apartment.

On the afternoon of 06/08/24, a Red Lake County deputy assisted a lady, who had locked herself out of her house in Oklee.

On the afternoon of 06/08/24, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of an

ATV crash on 165th St. SE in Plummer, near the Railroad Tracks. The report indicated there was an injured party at the scene. Red Lake County deputies, the Plummer Fire Department, Oklee Ambulance, and the Sanford Ambulance responded to that location. The Canadian Pacific Railroad was also notified to stop all trains while rescue crews worked at the crash site. One adult male was transported to the Sanford ER in Thief River Falls by the Oklee Ambulance to be treated for non-life-threatening injuries. Another male was treated for their minor injuries at the scene. The crash remains under investigation.

On the evening of 06/08/24, Red Lake County deputies, the Red Lake Falls Fire Department and the Red Lake Falls ambulance were dispatched to a report of a vehicle fire at a Gervais Township residence. The fire was extinguished, but the vehicle sustained substantial damage.

In the early morning hours of 06/09/24, while emergency crews were returning to Red Lake Falls after the vehicle fire, they observed a vehicle in ditch, along Hwy. #32 on the north end of Red Lake Falls. The vehicle was occupied by a Red Lake Falls juvenile. The driver claimed they had fallen asleep and driven into the ditch. The vehicle struck a sign and a culvert. The driver was not injured and the damage to the vehicle was minor. The vehicle was removed from the ditch and the juvenile was released to their parents.

On the afternoon of 06/11/24, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of an individual being harassed in Lambert Township. A Red Lake County deputy counseled and advised the reporting party.

On the evening of 06/11/24, a Red Lake County deputy observed dogs running loose in the city of Oklee. The deputy attempted to contact the dogs' owner but was unsuccessful and the deputy was also unable to catch them. Keith Michael Delage (62) of Oklee was cited for violating the city's ordinance by allowing his dogs to run at large.

On the evening of 06/11/24, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of some dogs excessively barking in the city of Brooks. The dogs' owner was counseled and warned about allowing this nuisance.

Mitch Bernstein, Red Lake County Sheriff: 06/14/24

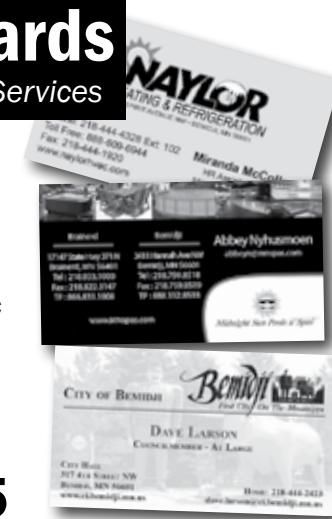


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Bacon and Potato Roll Ups by Danielle (Stoneouse) Magnell

1 lb bacon
5 potatoes
toothpicks



Sauce for dipping:
1 cup low fat sour cream
4 scallions chopped

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Cut potatoes into cubes about 1/2 the size of an ice cube. Cut bacon strips into thirds. Roll one bacon strip around each cube and secure with toothpick. Place on baking sheet and bake for 25 minutes or until bacon is crisp and potato is soft. Serve with dipping sauce.

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For more information, please contact one of the Red Lake County Economic Development Board Members: Allen Bertilrud 218-684-1315, Dave Ste. Marie 218-686-4019, Kelsey Gervais 218-686-5114 or email rlcdc@yahoo.com.

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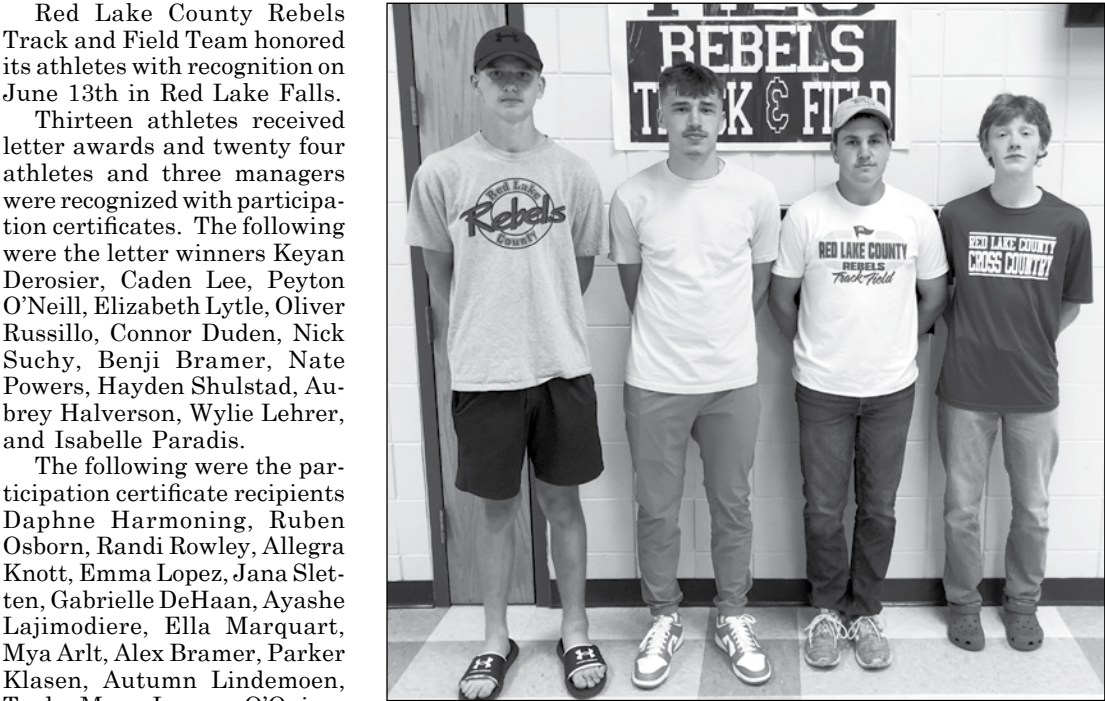
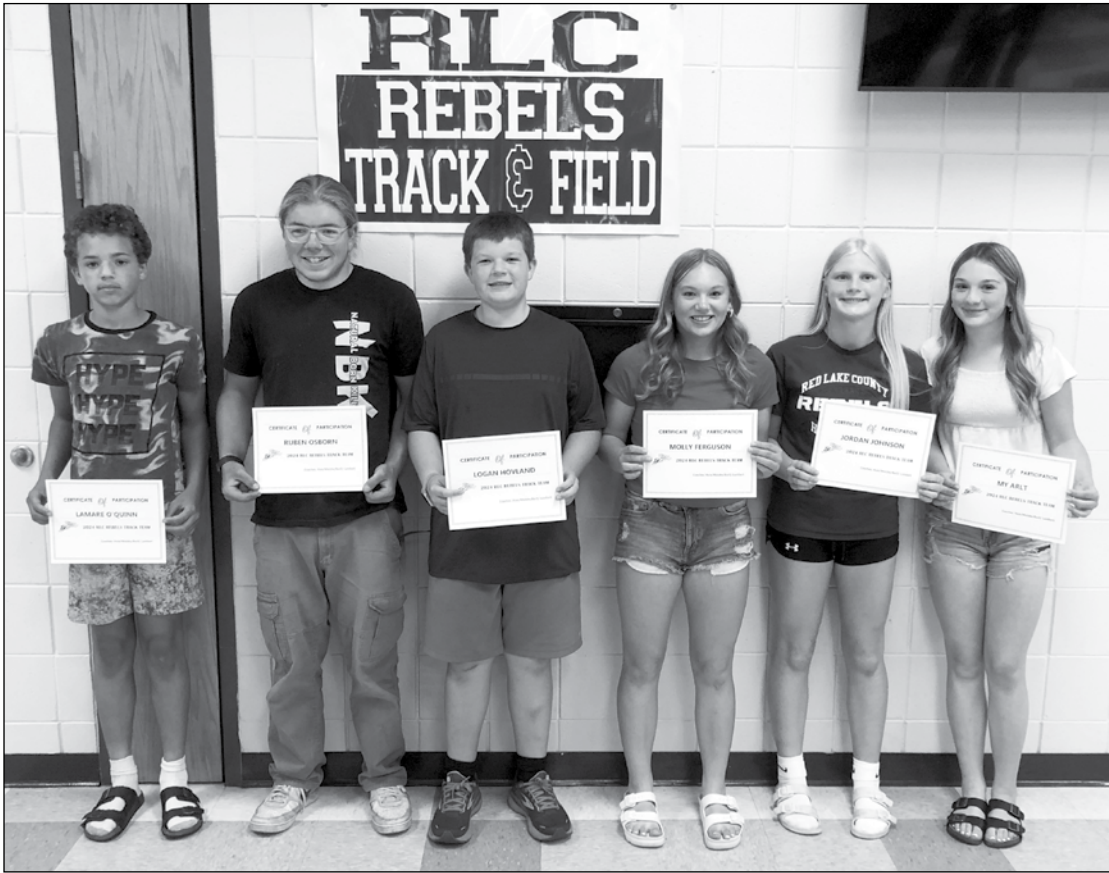
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RLC Rebels Track and Field recognize athletes at the banquet in 2024



Red Lake County Rebels Track and Field Team honored its athletes with recognition on June 13th in Red Lake Falls.

Thirteen athletes received letter awards and twenty four athletes and three managers were recognized with participation certificates. The following were the letter winners Keyan Derosier, Caden Lee, Peyton O'Neill, Elizabeth Lytle, Oliver Russillo, Connor Duden, Nick Suchy, Benji Bramer, Nate Powers, Hayden Shulstad, Aubrey Halverson, Wylie Lehrer, and Isabelle Paradis.

The following were the participation certificate recipients Daphne Harmoning, Ruben Osborn, Randi Rowley, Allegra Knott, Emma Lopez, Jana Sletten, Gabrielle DeHaan, Ayashe Lajimodiene, Ella Marquart, Mya Arlt, Alex Bramer, Parker Klases, Autumn Lindemoen, Taylor Moen, Lamare O'Quinn, Leah Pahlen, Aaren Rowley, Mason Williams, Molly Ferguson, Logan Hovland, Jordan Johnson, Kinsley Kruchowski, Emmitt Melin, Easton Morinville, Kendra Morinville (Manager), Kassidy Torgerson (Manager), and Alyssa Morinville (Manager).

The Team also recognized individuals with Team awards: The Most Valuable Track Athlete went to Elizabeth Lytle and Caden Lee.

The Most Valuable Field Athlete went to Elizabeth Lytle and Peyton O'Neill.

The Rookie of the Year went to Aubrey Halverson, Oliver Russillo, & Connor Duden.

The Most Improved went to Hayden Shulstad. The RLC Award went to Keyan Derosier. One team record was broken



this season in the boy's 4x800 Meter Relay with a time of 9:15.96 by Hayden Shulstad, Benji Bramer, Connor Duden, and Nick Suchy.

As coaches, we are very proud of this group of athletes on our Team this season. We

say goodbye to three dedicated seniors Keyan Derosier, Caden Lee, and Peyton O'Neill. We wish them all well next year. We look forward to our returning athletes for next season as we bring back a very young and promising team.

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THEME: THE 4TH OF JULY

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- South American palm berry
 - Chi preceder
 - Tatted cloth
 - *"Knee high in July?"
 - Hole-making tools
 - Sign in (2 words)
 - Discharge
 - Violin's Renaissance predecessor
 - Nursemaid in India, pl.
 - *On the grill on the 4th?
 - Tropical tuber
 - Propelled like Argo
 - "Fresh Prince of ____ Air"
 - *#18 Across, picnics and such
 - Yellow ride
 - Not well
 - Heavy lifting injury
 - "Brave New World" drug
 - Feudal estates
 - Storm center
 - Rand McNally book
 - Singer-songwriter Amos
 - Deserving veneration
 - Giant "Master Melvin"
 - Y on Periodic Table
 - Unkind one, slangily
 - Clairvoyant's gift, acr.
 - "____ under the rug"
 - Cry like a baby
 - *Number of stripes on Old Glory
 - Birch bark vessel
 - Object of Frodo's ob-session
 - Norse war god
 - Cut mission short
 - Fairy tale beginning
 - Tangerine/grapefruit hybrid
 - MTV's "____" (2003-2015)
 - Like Willie Winkie
 - "Team" homophone

- DOWN
- Fighter pilot
 - Toothy groomer
 - Operatic solo
 - Openings
 - Between once and thrice
 - Viva voce
 - Maroon's home
 - *As opposed to Patriot
 - Lab culture
 - Type of salmon
 - Short for ensign

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 - *Number of stars on Old Glory
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 - Wedding cake layer
 - 2-dotted mark
 - Stradivari competitor
 - Moisten, as in a turkey
 - 500 sheets
 - *Largest Fourth of July pyrotechnics display loc.
 - *Celebratory combustible
 - Highly skilled
 - Break bread
 - Come into view
 - Even smaller than #7
 - Down
 - Dined elsewhere (2 words)
 - Use a shoe polish
 - Grimace in pain
 - Hindu Mr.
 - Before long, to Shakespeare
 - Think, arch.
 - Part of a seat
 - World's longest river
 - Upper limit
 - Jodie Foster's "____" Island"

Writers & Writing by Michael Tidemann

Tidemann started his journalism career at the Bismarck Tribune in 1978 and began college teaching career as a graduate teaching assistant at the University of South Dakota in Vermillion in 1977. He has worked at newspapers in Iowa and the Dakotas and his work has appeared in Overdrive, Writer's Journal, the San Diego Union-Tribune and Snowmobile. (Michael Tidemann writes from Estherville, Iowa. His author page is [amazon.com/author/michaeltidemann](https://www.amazon.com/author/michaeltidemann).)

The Girl in the Thistles recounts 1862 Dakota War

While America was embroiled in the midst of a great civil war, yet another war was taking place in Minnesota.

Aberdeen, S.D., native S.K. Sandvig writes of the 1862 US-Dakota War in *The Girl in the Thistles*, a remarkable multi-genre novel that's part history, part romance, part mystery and part courtroom drama. The novel is based on actual events.

The novel is told from the perspective of Emilie Ferguson, half-Scottish and half-Dakota, who experiences the Dakota war firsthand. Torn between her loyalty to both societies, Emilie finds herself searching for her Scottish father, a bigger-than-life explorer and guide, even as her Dakota mother is imprisoned after hundreds of settlers are killed by Dakota who resent the seizing of their homeland.

As half-white, Emilie finds she, too, is the target of resentment of the Dakota uprising, even though her tribe hid white settlers. She finds help from two friends, Eustis, an African-American man of extraordinary musical and intellectual abilities, and Anders, a Norwegian immigrant set out to find a better life in America.

Emilie is also taken in by the Hoffmans, a Jewish family living in full view of Fort Snelling and the stockade where the Dakota people, including her mother, are held.

Sandvig's exhaustive historical research is quite evident. When he mentions a place, he sends you to the map looking for it – the true mark of accurate historical fiction.

Sandvig skillfully weaves Emilie's feelings for her parents with her quest to learn the truth of what happened to her father. As a result, Emilie evolves from a young girl in constant conflict with her mother and doting on her father to a woman who loves them both, and finally realizes how much they shaped her as a woman.

Sandvig's depiction of the Dakota relocation is absolutely heartbreaking as even those Native people who protected white settlers were swept up in the fervor for revenge.

The Girl in the Thistles is also an objective portrayal of the real causes of the Dakota War, and how there were no clear heroes or villains. Emilie finds allies among both races in her quest for the truth.

Sandvig's novel will appeal to fans of the late Frederick Manfred's *Scarlet Plume* and other historical fiction of the settlement era. It's an intriguing novel, and impossible to put down.



The Girl in the Thistles
S.K. Sandvig
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Do You Remember?

By Eric W. Mickelson

Do you remember Melby's store?



Melby Bros. Mercantile Store in the early days.

By Eric Mickelson

The beginnings of Melby Bros. Store reach back to 1910. It was then that Ole Melby and his brother, Tom started the business. The material for the store was shipped into Oklee on the first freight cars to reach Oklee! Pretty cool fact! Tom Melby died a short time after the store opened, his widow, Mrs. Inga Melby, was a partner for many years! In the 1940's Orlo purchased Inga's interest in the business and Ole and Orlo were a father and son partnership until 1970 when Orlo purchased his dad's interest.

Over the years two major additions over the years. In 1912, it was used by Nap Miller as a barbershop and pool room. Again in 1954 much remodeling was done. Backing up to the 40's the name was changed from Melby Bros. Store to simply Melby's Store.

The store was considered a General Merchandise store. All types of produce were purchased to provide a market for farm items such as poultry, turkeys, eggs, potatoes, hay, and wool were shipped out to markets on the Iron Range, and Duluth. The Melby's philosophy was to provide a market for the farmers, then the local businesses would be able to prosper! I like that philosophy!

The business remained in the family for 69 years and in 1979 it was sold to Richard and Judy Murrack.

My fondest memories of Melby's store was going there as a youngster with my mom and dad. Does anyone remember the days when you walked in the front door directly to your left was a sort of angled shelf containing medicines and aspirin etc. Also when I was in first grade I was sort of scared to be at school. So at recess I would sneak away and walk up to Melby's Store. I would visit with Orlo or whoever was working. Time would go by and eventually someone would say, "Eric, aren't you supposed to be at school?" Often then Leslie Finsther would take me by the hand and walk me back

Every Day Is MOTHER'S DAY With Us

Fairway Foods

YOUR ITEMS 00c

Cracker Barrel Soda CRACKERS Lb. Pkg. **19c**

GOLDEN TREAT PINK SALMON 1-lb. Tin **69c**
KAPTAIN KRUST Round Breaded SHRIMP 18-oz. Pkg. **39c**

HERSHEY'S INSTANT COCOA MIX Lb. Tin **29c** Each

FAIRWAY SANDWICH SPREAD 16-oz. Glass **29c**
GOLDEN TREAT CRUSHED PINEAPPLE 2 16-oz. Tins **49c**

GOLDEN TREAT Cookies 2 Lb. Pkgs. **49c**

FAIRWAY BARTLETT PEARS 2 16-oz. Tins **49c**
NORTHERN PAPER TOWELS 2 Roll Pak **29c**

Cream Style Corn Peas was the winner of the Anna Knutson barbecue grill! 2 16-oz. Tins **39c**
Folger's Regular & Drip COFFEE 2-lb. Tin **\$1.19**
Sun-White M'MALLOW'S 1-lb. Bag **25c**

FAIRWAY GRAPE JUICE 24-oz. Bottle **29c**
SUNSHINE HYDROX COOKIES 16-oz. **47c**

Serv-well Imitation Extract (Not Wine) VANILLA 8-oz. Bottle **10c**
Fairway BLACK PEPPER 4-oz. Tin **29c**

Chicken-Noodle Campbell's SOUP 7 10-oz. Tins **\$1.00**

ICE CREAM 1/2 gallon ... **69c** SALE DATES MAY 10-13
RING BOLOGNA, 3 for ... **99c**

REGISTER for chaise lounge and chair to be given away Sat., May 13!

MELBY'S

This ad is from 1961.



Richard and Judith Murack purchased Melby's Fairway from Orlo and Millie Melby on November 1st, 1979. They moved from Sauk Rapids, Minn., where Richard was employed by Super Value. The Muracks have 3 children, Rich 18, Julia 15, Jeanna 8.

They discontinued the Dry Goods and now run strictly a Grocery Store.

to school. That is some of the things about living in a small town that I love.

I hope you can recall a few

memories of shopping at Melby's Store!

Crossword Solution

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Senior Site News & Other Things

Senior Meals

LSS Meals from Red Lake Falls are available for **Home Delivery Only**, Monday-Friday. You need to order a day or two before the day you plan on having a meal. Call the LSS Kitchen in RLF and ask for Carolyn at 218-253-4454 to order your meals.

Note: Please call Red Lake Falls LSS Site to order or cancel 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.

Dates To Remember

Wednesday: Cards at 1:30 p.m. If you would like to come play cards, come on in and enjoy some fun game time visiting with your fellow seniors.

Potluck Meal

The June Potluck meal will be held on Tuesday, June 18th. All seniors are invited to join in. Just bring a dish to share.

Senior Site Meeting

The seniors will be holding their next meeting on Thursday, June 20th at 2 p.m. at the Oklee Cafe. Please plan on attending.

Interesting Facts?

The Swedes invented a kind of ladies' glove that was made

of leather and worked to have a slight nap on one side by brushing the smooth surface with an emery board. The French game is a name --suede--which is French for "Swedish." Today suede is buffed and brushed in essentially the same manner.

The word UMLAUT doesn't have one. (It's the double dot over the "u.")

Honey is the only natural food that doesn't spoil. The nectar brought to the hive by the bees is about 60 percent water, and they "cure" it to less than 20 percent water. With a pH of 3-4, it can last for centuries.

Have a great week!

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

Rain did bother some on the weekend leaving the days to be fairly nice. It warmed up during the day but was wet in the mornings from the quick downpours at 5 to 7 in the morning. Saturday though it was windy and driving was not as pleasant as it should be. Dirt blew even though it rained in the early day. What weird weather. I guess we have to get used to this though. When that hot weather hits us we will be dripping in another way.

My son-in-law has a medical condition and when he was here for Father's Day on Sunday my husband found out how problematic Matt's condition can be. Matt sat in our recliner for a while visiting with all of us and Jerome walked into the room and Matt gave up his chair for Jerome to sit. After about five minutes, Jerome said "Matt you really have a hot body, this chair is hot from your body even yet." Matt said "Yes that is why outside I have to wear my ice vest." Matt has no sweat glands and only sweats in a spot the size of a dime on his whole body. Not enough to allow his body to cool. And Sunday wasn't very hot, think when the temps get into the 90's, he really suffers then.

Father's Day, Matt and Nancy Ellenson, and their family Daphne, Ian, and Margaret, and Becky Novak visited with Jerome and Barb Novak to celebrate Father's Day and Barb's Birthday, which fell on Father's Day this year. Becky grilled chicken for us and Nancy brought the dressing and we had a great dinner. Later Daphne and Jerome

won the card game and we visited pleasantly the rest of the afternoon.

On Saturday Becky Novak and Barb Novak went to Matt Proulx 's celebration of Life. It was held at the cathedral in Crookston, and was well attended from this area. Matt was a consummate musician and played at the Brooks, Mentor, and Gentilly churches for the past few years and a year ago he was hired as music director at the Cathedral in Crookston. Then he was diagnosed with cancer and died the day after Easter this year. We all gathered with tears in our eyes to say goodbye. Rest in Peace Matt.

On Saturday evening Jerome Beck and I went to the casino for some down time. There we saw Theresa and Emil, my favorite cousin, and several other friends that we see seldom. Visiting with them is so much fun. And no, I didn't win money, but some great visiting time with those I knew.

On Saturday Joyce Morinville, Joanne Bradley, Deb and Randy Versdahl, Pam Paradis, from the Brooks, St. Joe's Church, Barb Novak also, went to the funeral of Matt Proulx. Many people of the Plummer and Brooks area came to the funeral as a final tribute to Matt Proulx. Our sympathy to the family and Rest in Peace Matt.

By the way if you noticed the editorial in the Northern Watch two weeks ago there was a story in it about a scammer and word for word it was what I had happen to me except I

did not lose anything because I hung up before he was able to get enough info to scam me. But then again it sounded like the same guy that called me on Friday, and he said that I was a winner of 5,5 million dollars from Publishers Clearing house. I haven't been sucker enough to enter that scam outfit for at least 30 years. But I won. And too, a Mercedes as well. He was parked in Red Lake Falls waiting to get directions to my place so he could deliver it. Even asked me if a 14 wheeler could get into my driveway. This guy was very forceful and totally convinced that he was not lying to me all the time as I accused him of. I knew he was after money, and I was not going to let him. I finally frustrated him enough to hang up. They will stay on the phone for all day to convince you that they are honest and of course, they are not. Please don't accommodate them, hang up. I find that everyone of them ask if this is you when you answer and then they say "How are you?" That is the clue. Anyone else unless they really knew you would not ask that question. They are scammers. They are not interested in you only what you can give them. By the way with his heavily accented Indian words he claimed his name was Mike Anderson. Maybe another clue?? Mighty American Name for an India based guy.

That is it for this week, and I hope all the Father's out there had a great day. Enjoy the week.

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

On Saturday, June 8, there was a fundraiser at the Community Hall for Trails for Treatment. Some came on four-wheelers. Lunch was served.

Wednesday evening at Bingo, Lynn Gallant treated everyone to cupcakes for her birthday. Cheyanne, her granddaughter made them.

On Tuesday, Anna DeHate, Karen Tvedt, Anne Traxler and Alice Jobe went to Goodridge for dinner. They had a meatball dinner. Les and Darla Guillemette do the cooking there.

Hopefully, this week the farmers were able to do some seeding. Tuesday we had three tenting of rain. Southern Minnesota was in bad shape rain wise. The temps should be rising to help dry the fields.

On June 29th, Tri River Pioneer guys are having a tractor

ride to Brooks and maybe an extra jog elsewhere. They will leave around 10 o'clock. A lunch will be served at Tri River Pioneer Museum afterwards, such as BBQ's potato salad, brats, and sausages.

Have a good week. Enjoy the sunny days.

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat?

This week's photo is of couple from the area on their wedding day.

Last Week's photo was of Jeff Sundrud and Anthony Radniecki. They were awarded the All- Conference award.

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 really am short on photos and have been diving into history books and other places to find photos. 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(s) while you wait.

Thank you for sharing!

