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## The 2024 Red Lake County Fair starts this week!

It is that time of year again when the Red Lake County Fair comes to Oklee and brings lots of fun things to do and see.

This year, due to the school construction projects, there will be no events held in the school. Because the school is not available, things have been shifted around quite a bit for some of the events. From what I was told, the events are going to be held in the Oklee Community Hall and across the block at the Fair buildings and barns.

Last I heard, the 4-H exhibits will be in the Oklee Hall and will be sharing the space with the Senior events which includes a concert with the Woodpicks.

But on to the schedule and places to be:

On Thursday, the 27th, starting at 12 noon, 4-H Static Judging will be in the Oklee Hall.

At 5 p.m. on Thursday, Open Class Registration for Non-Livestock items will be at the Skating rink building. And at 6 p.m. Open Class Livestock will be checked in at the barns.

Friday, June 28th, the booths will open at 9:00 a.m. and the Non-Livestock open class entry begins. At 9:30 p.m. General Livestock judging will take place. 10:30 the Poultry & Rabbit exhibits will be judge for both 4-H and Open Class.

At 11 a.m. the 4H Food Stand will open. Stop on by and get a bite to eat.

11:30 a.m. Judging for the Horse, Llama & Alpaca's will be judged.

Now if you are a Senior Citizen, this is the event for you! At noon in the Oklee Hall, they have a great time planned for you. There will be food, music and bingo with prizes. So get a good seat and enjoy the Woodpicks and try for Bingo prizes.

In the afternoon, at 1 p.m. Open Class judging will be at the Skating Rink. That would be a the place to see all the great crafty items made by the talented people of our community.

At 5:30 p.m. there is a Pet Show, and I'm not sure where it will be held, but in past years, it was by the gazebo behind the bank. You'll just have to ask a fair person if you can't find it.

The 4-H Food Stand Closes at 7:00 p.m. so make sure you get there early for your supper. And even if it didn't make it on the Poster, the 4-H Booth will be open on Saturday also, same hours as Friday.

On Saturday, June 29th, starts early with a 5K Run/Walk event. Registration opens at 8:15 a.m. the run/walk starts at 9:00 a.m.

At 10:30 a.m. registration for

the Kids Pedal Tractor Pull. So get your kids rounded up and ready to go at 11 a.m. for the Kid's Pedal competition.

More fun for the children is the Make It and Take It. I'm not sure what it is this year, but it has been a fun event in past years. The kids love making things.

And there is a Sand Pile Dig over by the Barns at 12 noon. This event is sponsored by Olson Gravel and I'm not sure how many coins are buried in the pile, but the kids will have fun trying to find the coins.

The Baja Race has been postponed due to weather conditions. Way too much rain and it seems we are in a wet cycle for awhile. New dates will be released soon.

Haven't heard if the Power-Wheel Baja will be set up in town or not. You'll have to ask a Fair board person.

At 8 p.m. the Livestock will be released.

Sunday is a quiet day for most as there are not many activities. The Fair Booths will open at 9 a.m. and close at 12 noon. But this day is the busiest for the 4-H kids. They will be having their photos taken and they have their annual 4-H Awards Show at the Hall.

Watch for photos of the fair in the next couple of weeks.



Here is a picture featuring some of the Huot Family. These are some of the brothers and sisters Darcy talks about in her article! Back Row: Danny, Delray, Darin, Dwight, and Darla. Front: Dorene, Author of article Darcy Huot, mother Gladyce, and Deann. Not Pictured, sisters Denise, and Denette.

## The Old Time County Fairs

\*\*\*\*\*The following essay was written by Darcy Huot during her freshman year at Bemidji State University in the fall of 1999. The theme of the essay was a place that she had a special bond to. Darcy chose to write about the Red Lake County Fair. Darcy graduated from Lafayette High School in Red Lake Falls in 1999. She was an 11 year member of the Pembina Trail 4-H Club, a Red Lake County 4-H Ambassador, a participant on the Citizen Washington Focus Trip, and also a member of the Red Lake County Extension Committee as a youth member. Darcy showed dairy cattle at the Red Lake County fair for many years as well as being involved in many other 4-H activities. Darcy is the daughter of Gladyce (Wilson) Huot a 1959 graduate of Oklee High School. Here is her essay!

When things in my life become very stressful, I always think of a place that brings my mind to ease. This special place would be our annual county fair held in Oklee, MN. It is a small town in the middle of our county and everyone know

each other. Our county fair is quite small compared to most. As you turn into the wonderful little town of Oklee, you will notice the cattle barn first. There is a brown horse barn and a green and white cattle barn. As you continue to walk you will come to the poultry barn. Since our fair is so small, there are poultry, rabbits, and pigs in the same barn. Across the street is a wonderful little playground (the Marv Bronken Playground), which is rarely seen unused by children of all ages. The 4-H food stand is down the street from there. This is a wonderful place to eat during the fair. You may want to treat your friend to a big cheeseburger or just visit with your neighbors over a slice of apple pie. Across the street is the school and this is where all the 4-H and Open Class exhibits are judged and put on display.

I entered projects for 11 years, and I enjoyed it more each year. I can still remember one year like it was yesterday. I had shown cattle with my brothers and sisters for many years, but 1995 was the first

year I would show cattle by myself. I worked extra hard to get my animals ready, and it was even more work to by myself. My hard work paid off because I won Grand Champion. I went on to the Minnesota State Fair for the first time with my heifer. It was so much fun! I had a great time!

Many people that have moved away still come back for the fair. It is so much fun to see neighbors and friends that you haven't seen for a while. I will go back to the fair every year until I am not able to, and even then I will have great memories forever.

Our county fair does not have rides or famous singers that perform, but to me it is very special. Maybe it is the pie baking contest, the hard work that goes into 4-H projects, or the children running around with cotton candy. I will always remember visiting with friends at the food stand, the 4-H building and the ribbons, and most of all the special bond that brings a community together for those three days every summer.



## Let's Get Ready for the Block Party, All are Welcome!

By Eric Mickelson

Let's get together! Summer is on the move but save the date! July 10th, 2024, from 5:00-7:00 PM, it's the Block Party! It will be held at the Oklee Park(Tennis Courts). Hot Dogs, buns, and a beverage will be provided but everyone is invited to bring a dish to pass, good old potluck style!

Bring a game, bring your

appetite, bring a dish to pass, and bring yourself ready for a good time.

So why a block party? I think most of us can tell a story about an event we went to and had a great time. Other times maybe we were busy, or thought we were too busy, and we didn't get to go and missed out-my advice, "Don't miss out!" One of my favorite things is to get

a chance to visit with family, friends and neighbors. If you are around come out and have a little food and a little fun! It doesn't matter if you live in the town or the country, the block party is for everyone!

In case of bad weather we will go to the community hall and have some fun! Block Party 2024-be there or be square!

### Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial Update

A donation to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial was received from Carol Kvasager, Oklee in memory of Cliff Melby, Oklee. Cliff was well known in Oklee and the surrounding area and has a family history of military veterans in his family with his father Tom serving in the US Navy, WW II, his brother, Tommy serving with the Marines in Vietnam, and his father in law Marvin Bronken serving in the Army, WW II. The Veterans' Memorial Committee is grateful for the support and the military service of all veterans.

John Klasen is caretaker for the lawn at the Veterans' Memorial and is keeping the Memorial grounds and area looking good, especially considering all the rain he has had to deal with! The Oklee Garden Club volunteers have planted and are tending the flowers at the Memorial and around Oklee.

Donations to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial may be sent to Security State Bank, Box 69, Oklee, MN 56742, attn: Lori Melby.



Having a little summer fun! Customers enjoyed the music of Sydney Melby at Rhombus-House of Pizza in Mentor last Friday night! As always it was a great performance!



This large crane from Bemidji worked at the location of the new Otter Tail substation south of Oklee. Mary Lynn Bachand sent in the photo stating "I don't know that anyone else would be interested in seeing this, but it was pretty fascinating to watch this operation." Any changes in Oklee should be noted. Thanks for sending in.



## Church News

**OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH**  
Zion and Salem  
Okleelutheran.org  
Sun, June 30: 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. – Grygl. 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 30: 10:30 a.m.  
Joint Service at Bethany.

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

### Oklee Senior Site Dining

**July 1 - 5**  
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.

**Menu not available as of this printing.**

**Mon:** Cook's Choice Dinner Roll/Margarine, 1% Milk.  
**Tue:** Dinner Roll/Margarine, 1% Milk.  
**Wed:** Bread/Margarine, 1% Milk.  
**Thu:** Dinner Roll/Margarine, 1% Milk.  
**Fri:** Dinner Roll/Margarine, 1% Milk.



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**CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH**  
Mt. Olive – Nazareth  
Oak Park – St. Petri  
Pastor Ron Pederson  
Sat, June 29: 9:00 a.m.  
Mt. Olive.  
Sun, June 30: St. Petri: 8:00 a.m. Nazareth: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship. Oak Park: 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  
Sun, June 30: 9 a.m. Lund 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.

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

**Deadline: Fridays at noon!**

### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday – Mahanomen.

Every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – Thief River Falls

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

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday – Bemidji.

### Sudoku Solution

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## Playing It Safe

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## Red Lake County Sheriff

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On the morning of 06/12/24, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of loose dogs running into a yard in Red Lake Falls. The owner of the dogs was counseled and warned about the ordinance violation.

On the evening of 06/14/24, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report about a vehicle that had some damaged windows parked at a location in Garnes Township. A Red Lake County deputy searched the area but was unable to locate the vehicle. The following morning, another Red Lake County deputy located the vehicle. The owner was contacted, and the vehicle was removed.

On the afternoon of 06/15/24, Emil Fred Desmarais (62) of Grand Forks was cited for speeding on CR. #11 west of Red Lake Falls.

On the evening of 06/15/24, Matthew Colin Singletary (28) of St. Hilaire was cited for speeding on CR. #13 west of Red Lake Falls.

On the morning of 06/16/24, Paul Adrian Hoff (66) of Underwood, MN was cited for speeding on CR. #5 north of Oklee.

On the afternoon of 06/16/24, a Red Lake County deputy spoke with an individual who

was having issues with an ex. They claimed they were being harassed and also had some questions about division of personal property. The deputy counseled and advised the reporter.

On the evening of 06/17/24, Danielle Leanne Watne (27) of Gully was cited for speeding on CR. #1 east of Plummer.

On the evening of 06/17/24, an Oklee juvenile was cited for speeding on CR. #5 north of Oklee.

On the morning of 06/18/24, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of some small children riding motor bikes on the north side of Red Lake Falls. Red Lake County law enforcement officers responded and located the juveniles. The children and the parents were counseled, and motor bikes were parked.

On the afternoon of 06/18/24, Andrew Don Hanson (29) of Shevlin was cited for speeding on CR. #5 north of Oklee.

On the evening of 06/18/24, Hunter Perry James Lundeen (24) of Red Lake Falls was cited for misdemeanor reckless driving in the city of Oklee.

On the evening of 06/19/24, Brendon Fox (29) of Farmland, IN was cited for speeding on

## 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, 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 [rlcedc@yahoo.com](mailto:rlcedc@yahoo.com).

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### Bids Wanted

Red Lake County Central School ISD 2906 is accepting bids for Fuel, Propane, Milk, and Bread for both the Oklee and Plummer sites.

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-driftsupt@gvtel.com](mailto:rlccan-driftsupt@gvtel.com) Any questions please call 218-465-4222. O14-16C

CR. #49, east of CR. #12.

On the evening of 06/19/24, Corey James Stately (38) of Red Lake was cited for misdemeanor driving after revocation and no proof of current motor vehicle insurance on Hwy. #92 south of Oklee.

On the evening of 06/19/24, Jonathan Michael Greene (32) of Red Lake was cited for no proof of current motor vehicle insurance on Hwy. #92 south of Oklee.

Mitch Bernstein, Red Lake County Sheriff: 06/21/24

### Red Lake County Herald Office Hours

Bonny is in the office on Mondays from 10 am until 4 pm. Deadlines for items in the paper is on Fridays by Noon. Bonny is in the office some Fridays, but please call to check before coming in. If you need to get a hold of Bonny when she is not in the office, please call 612-840-9401 or email her at: [okleeherald@gmail.com](mailto:okleeherald@gmail.com).

Eric Mickelson is the reporter for the RLC Herald. If you have a story or idea to share, call Eric @ 218-791-9157. You can also email Eric at [okleeherald@gmail.com](mailto:okleeherald@gmail.com).

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# 2024 Red Lake County FAIR

THURSDAY-SUNDAY • JUNE 27-30, 2024

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 27

12 - 6 pm ..... 4-H Static Judging at Oklee Hall  
5 - 8 pm ..... Open Class Registration - Non-Livestock at the Skating Rink  
6 - 8 pm ..... Livestock check in - Please (pre-registration for open class animals is June 15 by email ([redlakecountyfairoklee@gmail.com](mailto:redlakecountyfairoklee@gmail.com)) or text or call (218.686.1404)

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 28

9:00 am ..... Booths open  
9:00 am ..... Non livestock open class entry begins  
9:30 am ..... General livestock judging  
10:30 am ..... Poultry & Rabbit judging - 4-H & Open Class  
11:00 am ..... 4-H Food Stand Opens  
11:30 am ..... Horse, Llama & Alpaca judging  
12:00 pm ..... Open Class registration closes  
Senior Citizen Day at Oklee Community Hall  
1:00 pm ..... Open Class judging at the Skating Rink  
5:30 pm ..... Pet Show  
7:00 pm ..... 4-H Food Stand Closes

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 29

8:15 am ..... Registration for 5K - Pre-register by June 14th to receive t-shirt - info on Facebook or email [jessie.hamrum@gmail.com](mailto:jessie.hamrum@gmail.com)  
9:00 am ..... 5K starts  
10:30 am ..... Registration for Kids Pedal Tractor Pull  
11:00 am ..... Kids Pedal Tractor Pull  
11:00 am ..... Registration for Baja/Pit Gates open  
11:30 am ..... Make It & Take at the County Fair  
12:00 noon ..... Sand Pile Dig by the Barns Sponsored by Olson Gravel  
2:00 pm ..... Baja Gates Open for Public  
3:00 pm ..... Baja Race Starts - Power Wheel Baja  
8:00 pm ..... Release of Livestock

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 30

9:00 am ..... Booths open  
12:00 pm ..... Booths close  
12 - 2 pm ..... Release of Open Class exhibits  
2:30 pm ..... 4-H Grand & Reserve Photos taken  
2:45 pm ..... 4-H Release of exhibits  
3:15 pm ..... 4-H Awards Show at the Hall

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### JUST FOR SENIORS!

Light Lunch followed by the "Woodpicks" Bingo with prizes will start after the show!

### FAIR BOARD OFFICERS

Mike Dessellier, Acting President • Mike Dessellier, Vice President  
Jenniffer Nelson Smksy, Secretary/ Co-Treasurer  
Melanie Hanson, Co-Treasurer

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT FAIR BOOTH REGISTRATION  
Please Contact Jenniffer Nelson Smksy: Call or Text 218-686-5830, or email [redlakecountyfairoklee@gmail.com](mailto:redlakecountyfairoklee@gmail.com)

## BAJA RACE

Saturday June 29  
Registration at 11:00 am  
Race starts at 3:00 pm



## Red Lake County Fair Senior Day 2024

Friday, June 28, 2024  
Oklee Community Hall

12 Noon - Light Lunch  
1 p.m. Music by the Woodpicks



Bingo to follow with many nice prizes donated by area business'

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The RLCC girls elementary basketball team was able to play against the Goodridge-Grygla team at the Target Center, Saturday, June 22nd, prior to a Minnesota Lynx game



More photos from the RLCC High School Concert held in May



Girls having a little fun at Choir Rehearsal!



Soloist Autumn Lindemoean, on "Wagon Wheel."



L to R: Molly Ferguson, Alyssa Mornville, Kinsley Kruchowski



L to R: Peyton Williams, Lillie Lundeen, McKenzie Hamm

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THEME: THINGS WITH WHEELS

- ACROSS
- 1. Unfledged hawk
  - 5. The \_\_\_\_ Gala, haute couture fundraiser
  - 8. Ballet step
  - 11. Sasquatch's cousin
  - 12. Prefix in levorotary
  - 13. DVD player button
  - 15. What Tylenol and xyle-nol have in common
  - 16. Seaport in Yemen
  - 17. With ample space
  - 18. \*Rumpelstiltskin's \_\_\_\_ wheel
  - 20. Viking writing symbol
  - 21. Musical finales
  - 22. In favor of
  - 23. Source of tapioca
  - 26. Smith, e.g.
  - 30. "Stand and Deliver" singer
  - 31. Live-in helper (2 words)
  - 34. Et alii, abbr.
  - 35. Nephew's sister
  - 37. Tire depression
  - 38. Turkey's southern neighbor
  - 39. Same as ayah
  - 40. Engage in a pursuit (2 words)
  - 42. Bed-and-breakfast, e.g.
  - 43. Tibetan Buddhism
  - 45. Pinched
  - 47. Sing like Public Enemy
  - 48. Mother-of-pearl
  - 50. Cripple
  - 52. \*Wheel in Vegas
  - 55. Chocolate substitute
  - 56. Egg on
  - 57. Capri or Catalina
  - 59. Olden days violin maker
  - 60. Croaks
  - 61. "Run Away to Mars" singer
  - 62. Jump key
  - 63. Corncob
  - 64. Gaelic
- DOWN
- 1. \*London \_\_\_\_, tourist attraction
  - 2. Hankerings
  - 3. At the summit of
  - 4. Glass ingredient
  - 5. TV and radio
  - 6. Not odds
  - 7. Chinatown gang
  - 8. Low-ranking worker
  - 9. Pinnacle
  - 10. Pig's digs
  - 12. \*Royal procession car-

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  - 19. Star bursts
  - 22. "\_\_\_\_ Elise"
  - 23. Suez or Panama
  - 24. Carl Jung's inner self
  - 25. \*Type of locomotive
  - 26. Surfer's stop
  - 27. Like anchor aweigh
  - 28. Easternmost state
  - 29. Serengeti grazer
  - 32. \*Perambulator, for short
  - 33. Black and white sea bird
  - 36. \*Ancient Greek ride
  - 38. Top of a steeple
  - 40. Kitchen meas.
  - 41. Reunion attendees
  - 44. Poets' feet
  - 46. Smaller size than small
  - 48. \*a.k.a. water wheel
  - 49. Hole-borer
  - 50. Baby's first word?
  - 51. Speedy steed
  - 52. Boorish
  - 53. Russian autocrat
  - 54. 90-degree pipes, e.g.
  - 55. "Peace Train" sing-er-songwriter
  - 58. Increase

Deadline:  
Fridays at noon!

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.)



Steele book a great guidebook for life

Times They Are A-Changin' As Told By a Couple Happily Married (Most Days) for 50+ Years by Mary and Steven Steele of Spencer, Iowa, is more than an autobiography of their 52 years of marriage. It could serve as a guidebook for all couples by helping them meet life's challenges head-on. Steven was raised on a farm near Sutherland, Iowa, while Mary grew up in Readstown, Wis., tucked in the Driftless Region of southwest Wisconsin. The Steeles' story is unique for several reasons. Despite having everything against them, they managed to stay together for over a half-century. Married at 19, having children just a few years later, they faced poverty and the waning days of the Vietnam War to raise a family of healthy, bright children. Rock-solid Midwestern values and faith instilled by their parents made all the difference. While Mary's mother and father divorced because of his alcoholism, her mother, Betty McSwain, a strong-willed nurse, grabbed the family reins to raise her children. Her mother's story is detailed in Mary's inspiring biography Betty: A Memoir. Through alternating chapters, the Steeles play off each other's strengths to create a

vivid and inspiring portrait of a couple creating a successful marriage. "The plan is to alternate writing chapters – one from Steve's point of view, followed by my perspective," says Mary, an accomplished journalist, of their original intent for the book. However, they chose their own topics for each chapter. Mary is not alone, though, in creating a vivid picture of their lives. Steve, a retired teacher, coach and pastor, offers vivid imagery such as, "I associated the tart odor of geraniums with loneliness" as he waited for his older brothers and sisters to return home from school. A few years later in one state away, Mary's world view expanded while an exchange student in Brazil. "The whole family did everything possible to make me feel welcome, including taking me to a 'futbol' game starring the legendary soccer player Pele." Both left home after high school graduation to meet at a Christian college and they married a year later. However, life wasn't easy. "We lived below the poverty line in the early years of our marriage but thought we were rich," Mary writes. "We were young and healthy, we had a beautiful baby, and we had each other. What else could we possibly need?" The Steeles finish their autobiography with lessons to teach children, including having compassion for others. Times They Are A-Changin' As Told By a Couple Happily Married (Most Days) for 50+ Years is a wonderful testament to a wonderful couple, and a great example of what it takes to make marriage work.



Times They Are A-Changin' As Told By a Couple Happily Married (Most Days) for 50+ Years Mary McSwain Steele and Steven M. Steele ISBN 9798865705994 \$13.99



LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

Mortgagor: Nicholas W Johnson, a single person  
Mortgagee: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.  
Dated: January 15, 2010  
Recorded: January 19, 2010  
Red Lake County Recorder Document No. 128796

Assigned To: Minnesota Housing Finance Agency  
Dated: January 15, 2010  
Recorded: January 19, 2010  
Red Lake County Recorder Document No. 128797

Assigned To: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.  
Dated: May 27, 2010  
Recorded: June 14, 2010  
Red Lake County Recorder Document No. 129206

Assigned To: US Bank National Association  
Dated: June 2, 2010  
Recorded: June 14, 2010  
Red Lake County Recorder Document No. 129207

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: LOTS (1), (2) & (3) OF BLOCK (70) IN KRETZSCHMAR'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF RED LAKE FALLS

This is Abstract Property.

TAX PARCEL NO.: 17-3187-000

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY:  
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Red Lake Falls, MN 56750

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Red Lake

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$39,780.00

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE: \$35,484.59

That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt then remaining secured by such mortgage, or any part thereof, or, if the action or proceeding has been instituted, that the same has been discontinued, or that an execution upon the judgment rendered therein has been returned unsatisfied, in whole or in part;

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: August 22, 2024, 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Office, 124 N. Main, Red Lake Falls, MN

to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within 6 Months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s),

their personal representatives or assigns.

DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: The date on or before which the mortgagor must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under Minnesota Statutes section 580.30 or the property redeemed under Minnesota Statutes section 580.23 is February 22, 2025 at 11:59 p.m. MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: NONE

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.  
Dated: June 18, 2024

U.S. Bank National Association, Assignee of Mortgagee

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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  
Due to circumstances beyond everyone members control, the meeting for June was canceled.

The seniors will be holding their next meeting on Thursday, July 18th at 2 p.m. at the Oklee Cafe. Please plan on attending.

But plans will be made for an coffee party in July for all seniors to attend. Watch for future news on that event.

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

I won't comment on the weather but suffice it to say that it is changeable, and we are getting rain on a regular basis. Thank God though that we are not getting 29 inches as it has done in some spots. It is sad though that some places got rained out in the fields and the yields will be down or nonexistent. Lets hope

that things get moderate now. Last week the golfing girls went out golfing again. Carly Kvasager, Linda Hemly, Joyce Morinville, and Deb Champagne Versdahl, and Cindy Determan went to Erskine for a round of golf.

Speaking of golf, Cindy and Del Determan took their grand-

kids to go golfing and Emma was so excited to go golfing on Sunday she was telling Cindy To hurry with her coffee and roll so they could golf. I hope they had a great game.

Butch Berberich who has fought his illness for several years has succumbed to it. He died on his birthday June 2

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

Arnie and Barb Schmitz had their grandchildren from St. Hilaire this past weekend. Their mom and Dad are Ashley and Tate Sorvig.

Anna DeHate and Alice Jobe went to the Ness Cafe on Sunday for their dinner buffet and salad bar. They had meatballs and ribs for the entrees.

On Thursday, Plummer Senior Citizens met at the Plummer Hall. They discussed the fair upcoming in Oklee, with Senior being on Friday,

Crossword Solution

Across: 1. EYAS, 2. MET, 3. PAS, 4. YETI, 5. LEVO, 6. EJECT, 7. ENOL, 8. ADEN, 9. ROOMY, 10. SPINNING, 11. RUINE, 12. CODAS, 13. FOR, 14. CASAVA, 15. SURNAME, 16. ANT, 17. AUPAIR, 18. ETAL, 19. NIECE, 20. RUT, 21. SYRIA, 22. AMAH, 23. TAKEUP, 24. INN, 25. LAMAIISM, 26. NIPPED, 27. RAP, 28. NACRE, 29. MAIM, 30. ROULETTE, 31. CAROB, 32. URGE, 33. ISLE, 34. AMATI, 35. DIES, 36. TALK, 37. TAB, 38. EAR, 39. ERSE

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Brandy Slush  
Mick Lee

9 cups water  
2 cups sugar  
3 cups brandy  
3 Lipton tea bags  
2 (12 oz) cans frozen orange juice  
1-1/2 cups lemon juice

Bring water and sugar to boil. Remove from heat and put in the 3 tea bags. Leave the bags in the water for 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add the brandy, frozen orange juice and lemon juice. Stir. Freeze. When serving, fill a glass half with slush and half with Sprite. Oh boy!!!

Slush  
Leann Bruski

12 oz frozen orange juice  
1 can pineapple juice  
1 pint blackberry brandy  
12 oz frozen lemonade  
1 quart Squirt or ginger ale  
1 pint vodka

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Who's Dat?



Who's Dat?

This week's photo is of a basketball team.

Last Week's photo was of the wedding of Angie Whalen Radniecki and Dean Radniecki.

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.

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