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Coya Knutson display in Oklee

Oklee Post office to be named after Coya Knutson

By Eric Mickelson
Last week highlighted a few facts about the life of Coya Knutson! As mentioned last week, the Oklee Post office will be named in her honor on August 22, 2024. If you take a walk through the Oklee Community Building across the street from the post office, at the end of the hall you will see a wall with pictures and stories honoring Coya, to some Oklee

"favorite daughter!"
After a stint at Julliard School of Music in New York, Coya moved back to attend school to become a teacher at the State Teachers College, in Moorhead, MN.
Coya was married to Andy Knutson on March 21, 1940. Coya managed the hotel's popular café on top of a full-time teaching career.
Later, in 1948, the couple

adopted their only son, Terry. Between teaching jobs, Coya began to dabble in politics. Beginning with county government, Coya served on the Agricultural Adjustment Committee for Red Lake County from 1941-1944. Later on the County Board/Commissioner Welfare Board from 1948-1950.

She served two terms in the Minnesota House of Representatives, from 1951 to 1955. She was elected as a US Representative for the 9th District of Minnesota serving from 1955-1959. She also served the Civil Defense Agency at the Pentagon in Washington D.C. in the 1960s.
The Ceremony dedicating the Post Office will be held on August 22nd at 1:00PM. Refreshments will be served following the presentation.



This sign greeted people coming in to Oklee for many years, until it fell into disrepair.

Gerardy retires after 30 years



Tony Gerardy retired from the Plummer Fire Department after 30 years of service. Brandon Vogel is presenting him with a plaque. Thank you for your service to Plummer and the surrounding area, Tony!

Yard of the Week awarded to: Mitch & Krista Bernstein



Krista and Mitch Bernstein are the week 6 and final winners of the 2024 Oklee Community Club Yard of the Week! This week's yard is sponsored by E & J grocery and spirits.



Ready, Set, Throw!



Oklee Market Day 2024

Market Day 2024 looked to be one of their best Market Days. They had beautiful weather, lots of vendors offering many things, a car show, an axe throwing unit, games to play like corn hole and pickle ball, a dunking stand, a softball game later in the afternoon at the baseball fields, food booths and much more.

Starting off the day is usually the 5K Hero Hustle event and they had the largest group of runner/walkers by the looks of the photo. More details on that event next week.

There was a quilt show that is awesome to see. All the talented quilters we have in the area is astounding. vendors, games for kids, lots to do for everyone

And as the evening came, there still was food and entertainment to be had downtown. Eagle Creek played from 8 am. to midnight.

Great day for everyone!



Peoples Choice at the Oklee Market Day Quilt Show goes to Florence Tvedt. (Large quilt division)



At the Oklee Market Day Quilt Show, Chad Morinville was presented a Veterans Quilt by the Red White and Blue Quilters as a "Thank You for your service Chad!"



All Around Fun had many things for the youngsters to do at Market Day. Many different bouncy types of houses were available to them use up their busy energy.

Church News

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Okleelutheran.org
Sun, Aug. 18: 9:00 a.m.
Zion. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Salem. Communion at both.

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, Aug. 18: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Immanuel. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Bethany. 7:00 p.m. Worship at Ebenezer.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Bethany–Ekelund–Faith
Sun, Aug. 18: Faith: 8:30 a.m. Worship. Bethany: 10:00 a.m. Worship/Communion. Ekelund: 7:00 p.m. Worship.

Oklee Senior Site Dining

August 19 - 23
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, Aug. 19: Brats, Cole Slaw, Bread/Margarine, Fruit, Bread Pudding, 1% Milk.

Tue, Aug. 20: Tater Tot Casserole, Diced Carrots, Tropical Fruit, Lime Pineapple Jello, Dinner Roll/Margarine, 1% Milk.

Wed, Aug. 21: Chicken Salad on Wheat Bread, Three Bean Salad, Diced Peaches, Sugar Cookie, 1% Milk.

Thu, Aug. 22: Beef Vegetable Stew, Green Peas, Biscuit/Margarine, Cinnamon Baked Apples, 1% Milk.

Fri, Aug. 23: Chicken & Noodles, Peas & Carrots, Bread/Margarine, Diced Peas, Lemon Bars, 1% Milk.

National Senior Citizen Day is August 21st

LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive – Nazareth
Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeffrey Merseth is On Leave
Rev. Carl Busse
Rev. Gene Lienthal
Sat, Aug. 17: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, Aug. 18: St. Petri: 8:00 a.m. Oak Park: 9:45 a.m. Worship. Nazareth: 11 a.m. Worship.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson,
Lay Minister
Sun, Aug. 18: 9 a.m. Lund 10:30 a.m. Bethany.

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.

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 2nd Tuesday – Mahanomen.

Every 4th Tuesday – Thief River Falls

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

Every 2nd & 4th Friday –

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

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF HEARING
Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103D.911, notice is hereby given that the Board of Managers of the Red Lake Watershed District will hold a public hearing on the proposed 2025 General Fund Budget at 9:15 a.m., August 22, 2024, at the Red Lake Watershed District Office, 1000 Pennington Avenue South, Thief River Falls, MN 56701. The following is the 2025 proposed budget:

PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET	
Manager's fees and salaries	\$40,000.00
Board of Managers expense	24,200.00
Staff salaries	623,395.00
Payroll taxes	47,690.00
Employee benefits	168,481.00
Travel and meetings	7,500.00
Audit	10,400.00
Legal.....	16,000.00
Office supplies	20,000.00
Office equipment.....	40,000.00
Appraisers and Viewers	2,000.00
Professional services	35,000.00
Dues and subscriptions.....	10,000.00
Insurance and bonds.....	40,000.00
Repairs and maintenance-building	15,000.00
Utilities	12,000.00
Advertising and publications.....	4,000.00
Telephone.....	11,000.00
Vehicle expense & maintenance	15,000.00
Engineering supplies	3,000.00
Engineering equipment.....	45,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,189,666.00
LESS: ESTIMATED OVERHEAD	(935,092.50)
LESS: MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	(3,000.00)
2025 GENERAL FUND BUDGET	\$251,573.50
PROPOSED 2025 GENERAL FUND LEVY	\$250,000.00

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
An ad valorem tax of .0003627 times the taxable market value for 2024, collectible for 2025, will be levied on all taxable property within the Red Lake Watershed District. One-half of the levy will remain in the District for projects listed below; the other one-half of the levy will be sent to the Red River Watershed Management Board for projects within the Red River Basin.
Permitting system
Benchmarks
Flood Control studies/projects
Stream gauging
Water quality studies/projects
Rivers
Watershed hydrologic analysis
Lakes
Bank stabilization

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Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial Update

Donations have been made to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial recently in memory of a well known Oklee veteran. Jake Martell served in the US Army from

1969 - 1971 and passed away on July 28, 2024. Jake was a friend to many, and is remembered with contributions to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial in his memory by Vincent and Shirley Dessellier, Oklee; Dick and Linda McCloskey, Oklee; Dolores Grimm, Brooks, and David and Mary

Lynn Bachand, Oklee. Vincent and Shirley Dessellier also made a contribution to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial in honor of their friends, Norman, a military veteran, and Ione Nelson who recently celebrated their anniversary.

Donations to the Oklee Area Veterans' Memorial may be sent to Security State Bank, Box 69, Oklee, MN, attn: Lori Melby. Please direct questions to Mary Lynn Bachand at marylbachand@gmail.com.

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Angel Food Berry Pudding

Dorene Dessellier

2 pkg (16 oz) strawberries (7 cups sliced)
2 pkg (6 oz) raspberries (3 cups)
1 pint blueberries (2 cups)
1 pkg (6 oz) blackberries (2 cups)
1/4 cup sugar
5 Tbsp seedless strawberry jam
1 pkg (8 oz) prepared angel food cake, cut into 1/2 inch thick slices
whipped cream, assorted berries, edible flowers and mint sprigs – optional

In large bowl, combine 3-1/2 cups strawberries with the rest of the berries and sugar. Let stand 30 minutes. In blender, puree remaining strawberries and 3 Tbsp jam until smooth. Gently stir into berry mixture. Place 1/3 of cake slices into bottom of 2 1/2 quart (8-1/4 in diameter) bowl, top with 1/3 of fruit mixture (about 2 cups). Repeat layering 2 more times with remaining cake and fruit, ending with fruit. Cover with plastic wrap. Place 7 inch plate over wrap; top with heavy can. Refrigerate 6 hours or overnight. Remove can, plate and wrap, run knife around edge of bowl to loosen, invert onto serving plate. Melt remaining jam and drizzle over pudding. Top with berries and whipped topping if desired.

Red Lake County SWCD is taking Tree Orders for Spring 2025

Red Lake County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) is trying something new this year. Red Lake County SWCD is going to start taking tree orders from landowners starting now for FY2025. Anyone interested in purchasing trees from the Red Lake County SWCD should contact the SWCD office at (218)253-2593. **The price list is from 2024; prices may be subject to increase slightly...we will not know definite prices from the nursery until November 2024.**

Trees	Quantities	Size		FY 2024 Prices per Bundle (25)
BLACK CHERRY	100	2-3'		\$ 52.50
MOUNTAIN ASH	50	2-3'		\$ 52.50
COMMON CHOKECHERRY	50	2-3'		\$ 52.50
RED SPLENDOR CRAB	100	2-3'		\$ 52.50
HIGHBUSH CRANBERRY	100	2-3'		\$ 52.50
REDOSIER DOGWOOD	200	2-3'		\$ 52.50
COMMON LILAC	100	2-3'		\$ 52.50
RED MAPLE	100	2-3'		\$ 52.50
SILVER MAPLE	50	2-3'		\$ 52.50
SUGAR MAPLE	100	2-3'		\$ 52.50
RED OAK	50	2-3'		\$ 52.50
AMERICAN PLUM	100	3-4'		\$ 52.50
NORWAY POPLAR	200	3-4'		\$ 52.50
SIOUXLAND POPLAR	50	3-4'		\$ 52.50
SERVICEBERRY (JUNEBERRY)	100	2-3'		\$ 52.50
BLACK WALNUT	100	2-3'		\$ 52.50
FLAME WILLOW	200	2-3'		\$ 52.50
EASTERN RED CEDAR	300	15-18"	TR 2-2	\$ 55.00
RED PINE	100	15-18"	TR 2-2	\$ 55.00
SCOTCH PINE	100	15-18"	TR 2-2	\$ 55.00
BLACK HILL SPRUCE	150	15-18"	TR 2-2	\$ 55.00
COLORADO SPRUCE	100	15-18"	TR 2-2	\$ 55.00
POTTED				
BLACK HILL SPRUCE	50	30-36"	5 GALLON POT	\$33.00 per pot
BLACK HILL SPRUCE	50	24-30"	2 GALLON POT	\$20.00 per pot
BLACK HILL SPRUCE	50	18-24"	1 GALLON POT	\$17.50 per pot

If you are interested in placing a tree order, for 2025 springs' tree planting season, please call the Red Lake County SWCD office at (218) 253-2593.

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Healthy Families Quin Community, a Healthy Families America Site, Accredited for Quality Service by Prevent Child Abuse America Leading National Child Abuse Prevention Organization Accredits Healthy Families

America site in Thief River Falls, MN to Serve Families

Prevent Child Abuse America (PCA America) announced today that the Healthy Families America (HFA) affiliate, Healthy Families Quin Community has been accredited as a provider of high quality home visiting services to pregnant families and families with infants and young children.

HFA is the signature program of PCA America and has been providing home visiting services for nearly 30 years. Expectant and new parents are facing new stressors and have questions about their child's development. HFA connects with families through community partners like hospitals and pediatricians to support parents, meeting within the familiarity and convenience of the family's own home. HFA is an accessible, voluntary and well received service.

"HFA sites utilize evidence-based best practices to provide individualized support to families when needed most, and linkages to community services," said Melissa Merrick, President and CEO of PCA America. "We congratulate Healthy Families Quin Community and we commend the staff for their leadership and commitment that has contributed to this most notable and highly regarded achievement."

The accreditation process is based upon a stringent set of 12 critical elements grounded in more than 30 years of research. The process involves an in-depth examination of the site's operation, as well as, the quality of the visits made by HFA home visitors.

"We commend the Healthy Families Quin Community for opening itself up to such an intensive review process," said Kathleen Strader, National Director of HFA. "We believe that all families and all communities deserve access to quality home visiting services."

The HFA site in Thief River Falls is located at 1101 Hwy 1 East. One of the primary goals of HFA home visiting is to promote nurturing, responsive parent-child relationships. Home visitors in each community receive extensive training on a wide range of topics important to just about every new parent, such as: caring for a new baby, ensuring the baby is receiving the nutrition needed, promoting healthy child development, and coping with a myriad of

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.

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.

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Faces in Childcare - Meet Kristy Larson

Tell us a little about yourself and your child care program?

I will be graduating in December with my bachelor's degree in child development. I am a 4-star Parent Aware program that accepts the Early Learning Scholarship. I do accept families on CCAP. I participate in the provider's choice food program and offer a Monday through Friday program. I am open 6:30am-4:30 pm.

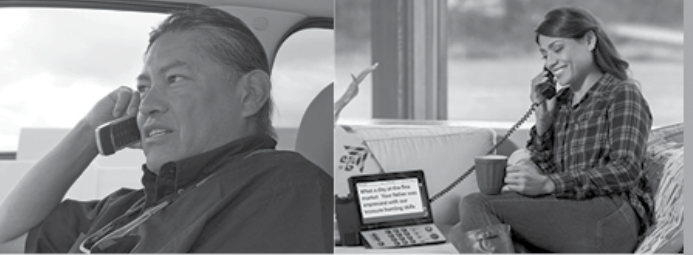
How many years have you been a childcare provider and what led you into this career?

I have been a childcare provider for 5 years. I have always had a heart for working with children. When I started having my children, I found the perfect career to be home with them and spread the love to other children.

What do you wish people understood about being a child care provider?

A childcare provider is more than a babysitter, as many people believe we are. Providers care for the children in their programs as if they are their own children.

Making phone calls easier



The TED Program is now Minnesota Access to Communication Technology (MN ACT)!

Starting August 1, 2024, the Telephone Equipment Distribution (TED) Program will change its name to Minnesota Access to Communication Technology (MN ACT).

This change reflects how telecommunication access in Minnesota has grown beyond telephones. Now, we provide different kinds of devices that make it easier to use the phone.

The services we offer will stay the same. MN ACT will continue to:

- Provide free telecommunication devices that make it easier for you to use the phone with hearing loss, a physical or speech disability.
- Find the best device for you.
- Offer devices such as smartphone/tablets with pre-installed accessible apps, captioned phones, amplified cordless/corded phones, ring signalers, cell phone amplifiers, Bluetooth accessories, smart speakers, voice amplifiers, electrolarynx and more.
- Set up or install devices.
- Train you on how to use the devices we provide.
- Troubleshoot problems and offer free repairs or replacements if needed.
- Exchange devices if your needs change.
- Help you apply for telephone discount programs.
- Suggest other assistive technology that might make

If someone in the community wanted to support your child care program, what could they do?

If someone wanted to support my program, they could volunteer to come visit to read a book, do a craft, play a game, or teach the children about their job or something from their culture (sharing the diversity of our community).

What advice do you have for anyone looking to open a child care program?

My advice to someone wanting to open childcare is to jump in and go for it! It is a gratifying career. Join Facebook groups for childcare programs. Find another provider you can connect with to share ideas, ask questions, and bounce ideas off each other.

Do you have a social media page or website that we can share to promote your program?

No, I have a private Facebook page that my enrolled families can access.

How could interested parents contact you?

Interested families in joining my family childcare can contact me by calling my cell phone at 701-429-0086.



McIntosh Tractor Day is August

McIntosh will hold it's Annual Tractor Day on Saturday, August 24th.

Grab those antique tractors and take a break from the fields to make your way to McIntosh for the annual McIntosh Tractor Day on Saturday, August 24th.

The tractors with the parade, will make it's way through downtown along Main Street.

The day will begin with the antique tractor parade at 11:00 am. Tractors will begin to line up at Erickson Park, on the east side of McIntosh beginning at 9:00 am.

After the parade there will be the Kiddie Tractor Pull sponsored by the Polar Beach Snowmobile Club who supplies and maintains the pedal tractor and pulling sled that are used at each years kiddie pull event. The kiddie pedal pull will again take place in front of the fire hall and registration will be set up to immediately follow the parade. There are several age/weight classes for kids ages 4 years to 12 years old, though younger kids, able to pedal are welcome to come and give it a try.

There will be a tractor pull at the old football field at 1:00 pm. Tractors must register and pay fees to participate.

There will be food vendors featuring hot dogs, hamburgers, candy, popcorn, pop and water on Main Street and the Shoppes of McIntosh will be open for visitors to browse and shop and look for special deals for the day.

Make plans to bring your family to the annual McIntosh Tractor Day this Saturday, August 27th starting at 9:00 am. See you there!

For questions about the parade or the tractor pull, please call Roy Ostenaa at 218-280-1572 or Steve Urness at 218-280-0399.

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On the afternoon of 08/02/24, a Red Lake County deputy discovered an individual sleeping in a parked vehicle along Hwy. #92 east of Hwy. #32. The deputy discovered the lone occupant of the vehicle appeared to be under the influence of illegal controlled substances. She was identified as Kelly Maureen Villeneuve (53) of Fargo. Ms. Villeneuve was arrested, taken to jail in Crookston and was booked for misdemeanor driving while under the influence of illegal controlled substances.

On the evening of 08/06/24, a Red Lake County deputy assisted and counseled two individuals who were having a dispute over a child custody exchange in Plummer. The situation was mediated, and the exchange of the child was completed.

On the evening of 08/06/24, appear in Court in Red Lake Falls later this month.

On the afternoon of 08/04/24, Reynaldo C. Alarcio (68) of Winnipeg, MB was cited for speeding on Hwy. #39 south of Plummer.

On the evening of 08/04/24, a Red Lake County deputy cited a passenger in a motor vehicle, Dylan Charles Gerardy (18) of Oklee, for a misdemeanor cannabis packaging violation. This incident occurred in the city of Brooks.

On the morning of 08/06/24, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report that a semi-truck and trailer were stuck on the Railroad tracks north of Plummer. CP Railroad was notified, Red Lake County deputies and a Minnesota State Trooper responded to the scene. The semi-truck had been removed from the tracks prior to law enforcement's arrival. No injuries and no damages were reported.

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a Red Lake County deputy responded to a report of a single vehicle rollover crash on CR. #9 northwest of Red Lake Falls. The driver and sole occupant of the vehicle claimed they were not injured, but the Ford Ranger pickup was severely damaged. The driver claimed they swerved for a deer, lost control, and left the roadway causing the vehicle to overturn.

On the afternoon of 08/07/24, the Dollar General Store in Red Lake Falls reported that someone left a safe on the sidewalk by their store. A Red Lake County deputy retrieved the safe. The owner is unknown at this time. If anyone is missing a safe, they can contact the Sheriff's Office.

On the morning of 08/08/24, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report that a road grader collided with another vehicle on 260th St. in Lambert Township. There were no injuries, but the pickup was totally damaged, and the grader sustained minor damage. The pickup, driven by Michael Allen Peterson (49) of Oklee, did not see the grader when it pulled onto 260th St. from a private driveway. Mr. Peterson was cited for failure to yield.

Mitch Bernstein, Red Lake County Sheriff: 08/09/24

MN noxious weed disposal the correct way

There are several methods for destroying noxious weed material without transporting it to a new site

Emilie Justen, Minnesota Department of Agriculture

This year's growing season has resulted in robust plant growth throughout the state. For gardeners and land managers, that means ongoing weed management of unwanted plants. As fall yard cleanup approaches, people may be pulling or digging noxious weeds that have seeds or other propagating parts, which means special consideration for disposal is necessary.

The first step in effective noxious weed management is to identify the plant species. There are several resources to help you identify plants. Plant identification apps, such as Seek by iNaturalist (https://www.inaturalist.org/pages/seek_app), can use photos of the plant to try to identify it. The Minnesota Department of Transportation's online book "Minnesota Noxious Weeds" (https://www.dot.state.mn.us/roadsides/vegetation/pdf/noxiousweeds.pdf) is helpful for learning about priority invasive plant species in our state. Minnesota Wildflowers' website (https://www.minnesotawildflowers.info/) and app are helpful plant identification tools as well.

Once you've identified the plant species, you can check to see if the species is on the Minnesota Noxious Weed List. Noxious weeds are annual, biennial, or perennial plants that the commissioner of agriculture designates as having the potential or are documented as being detrimental to human or animal health, the environment, public roads, crops, livestock, or other property. Each of the categories on the Noxious Weed List has regulations for landowners to ensure that those species are contained and kept from spreading.

To prevent the spread of noxious weeds, there are several methods for destroying noxious weed material without transporting it to a new site:

- Plants can be composted on site. Select a specific area of the property that is used only for noxious weed disposal.



The first step in noxious weed disposal is weed identification. The Minnesota Department of Transportation's online book "Minnesota Noxious Weeds" is a great resource to identify weeds.

Pile the plants on the ground; mixing the material with soil or compost may help degrade the material faster. The compost site will need to be monitored at least a couple times a year, and new seedlings will need to be pulled. Be sure to check with your local ordinances for composting regulations.

- Many noxious weeds can be burned. Always check and follow your local laws and ordinances for burning.
- Legal application of approved herbicides will destroy the plants and let them dry out and decay naturally without the need for cutting or harvesting of the plant material.

Learning about noxious weed management and proper disposal can make a difference in keeping noxious weeds from spreading. Starting with identifying the plants you'll be managing, you can make plans for proper disposal and keep those weeds from spreading. Learn more about disposal at the MDA's Guide to Removal and Disposal of Noxious Weeds website.

Two simple guidelines to follow when dealing with noxious weeds on an individual property:

- Kill but do not remove weeds from an infested area when possible
- If removal of weed plant materials from an infested site is necessary, properly contain and transport the materials to a disposal site that will accept and properly dispose of noxious weed materials. Contact the disposal site prior to transporting noxious weed materials to ensure that they will accept noxious weeds and that they have a system in place to destroy all propagating parts and prevent any future seed transfer.

You do not have to remove noxious weed materials from your property. In fact it is preferred that you leave materials on site and either destroy them by a legal means or allow to naturally degrade.

The Minnesota Noxious Weed Law does not require removal of listed species from your property. It simply requires eradication (killing the plant) or control (preventing seed production and spread) – depending on the regulatory designation for each species. The goal of the law is to prevent the growth and spread of harmful plants to new areas. Removal from your property increases the potential of accidentally spreading these plants while transporting them. Land with established weed infestations already has a viable seedbank, i.e., seeds that are deposited into the soil from past generations that are dormant. Therefore, keeping plants on site to naturally decay is the best and safest method to prevent future spread to new areas

ACROSS

- Command to Fido
- Sheep not yet sheared
- Cap and gown accessory
- Blood line
- Ancient Chinese dynasty
- Ringworm
- Driver's license notation
- Not outs
- Like Cheerios
- *Piece of football equipment required since 1943
- *Peyton or Eli
- Napkin spot
- Eminem's 2002 hit " ____ Yourself"
- Embargo
- Feed storage cylinder
- Like house from a kit
- Greek god of love
- Smokes
- *Super Bowl I M.V.P. Bart ____
- Taj Mahal locale
- *Career rushing yards record holder
- Equals s squared
- Regretting
- *Highest college football level: ____ Division I
- Extend credit
- *Seventeen games in NFL
- Somewhat (2 words)
- "Whatever Will Be, Will Be" singer
- Mare's baby
- Not a friend
- *55 of them
- "Home of the NFL Hall of Fame
- Hole-borer
- For every
- Color red on coat of arms
- Birds of ill omen
- Outrage
- ____ shopping cart
- Party barrels
- Sound from one of #69

Across

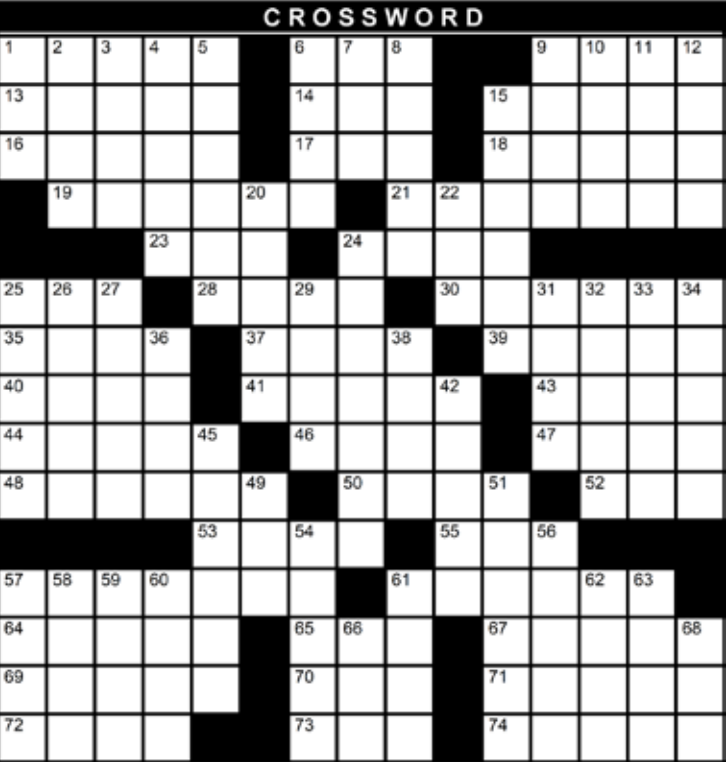
- Homes for #69 Across

DOWN

- Down in the dumps
- Cry of contempt
- Marine eagle
- Wake Island, e.g.
- Kizmet, pl.
- Foolish one
- Even, poetic
- Useful contraption
- Lamborghini model
- Unfavorable prefix
- "As ____ on TV"

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- Suspend
- Astrigents
- "The Iliad" and "The Odyssey," e.g.
- Venomous Egyptian snake
- Deducible
- *One of 2 NFL founding teams still in league
- Lock horns
- Waterwheel
- Outline
- Et alii, abbr.
- Got along
- *Like indoor eight-men football
- *Career NFL passing yards record holder
- Without
- Wild guess
- Israeli port
- Errand-runners
- Neither's partner
- Nuku'alofa language
- Meat jelly dish
- Musician's exercise
- "Go ____ Go!"
- Fishing decoy
- Awestruck
- Archery wood
- "Ship, Captain, ____"
- Cutlass or Delta 88, for short
- Remaining after deductions
- ____ of Good Feelings
- Lusitania's last call

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RED LAKE COUNTY PHOTO



This is an interesting photo from the files. I know where this is from, but lets see if you can guess. A few things to notice. They are parking down the middle of the street and the sign in the middle says, KEEP TO THE RIGHT. I do not know the year, but if anyone does, please contact the Red Lake County Herald and leave a message.

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat?

This week's photo is of a group of ladies featured in the paper. The poster says "Queen for a Day" drawing.

Last Week's photo was of Scott Lambert from 1989.

Remember that photos from the 80s are now 40+ years old. Please send in some photos to share with the readers. This 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.

In my hurried state last week, I forgot the crossword solution so here it is along with the current puzzle. Enjoy!

Crossword Solution FOR LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE

BALM BUS PAPA
ANOA HAVE MEDIC
ANON ALEE ADDER
LETTERMAN DAYS
AMASS GAG
ERASER REMORSE
DAL REHEEL GAIA
INLAY AGA VYING
TEES FLORAE TEL
SENSUAL GREASE
END SCADS
MOMS CHEMISTRY
RUMBA MALI ARIA
ITALY OPEC YELP
DENY NEB SEES

Crossword Solution FOR THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE

SPEAK TEG SASH
AORTA WEI TINEA
DONOR INS OATEN
HELMET MANNING
LAP LOSE
BAN SILO PREFAB
EROS CIGS STARR
AGRA SMITH AREA
RUIING NCAA LEND
SEASON ABIT DAY
FOAL FOE
PLAYERS CANTON
AUGER PER GULES
CROWS IRE ADDTO
KEGS CAW NESTS

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Senior Site News & Other Things

Bonny Cote, Secretary-Treasurer

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.

Donuts and Coffee

Since I was unable to attend the Donuts & Coffee day, I don't have anything to report this week on that item.

Potluck Meal

The August Potluck meal will be held on Tuesday, August 20th. All seniors are invited to join in. Just bring a dish to share.

Senior Site Meeting

I'm not sure if this meeting is going to be held on the date listed. I have been home since August 6th with Covid. And still have tested positive as of this printing. I will let you know if and when I test negative.

Bonny's Bits

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What a way to begin the month of August. Whew! I hope the rest of the month goes a lot smoother.

As many of you all ready know, my mother-in-law fell and broke her hip. Thanks to Meals on Wheels, Kari Hamm, delivering meals on Friday, found Vi on the kitchen floor. Vi instructed her to call us, which she did. We flew into town and called the ambulance, as we were pretty sure her hip was broken. The Oklee Ambulance came and carefully got Vi loaded into the ambulance and off to Fosston she went with us following. Prognosis was confirmed. Broken hip. While Essentia Fosston got everything set up with the Essentia Fargo, we rushed home to get things in order, lock Vi house. Before leaving, I had to print the bulletins for church and having run out of toner, called Oklee Quilting if I could print from her machine. She graciously said yes, so one more thing to get done before we left. Vi's son David, lives near Fargo, met the ambulance at Essentia Hospital so we know there was family to help Vi. They got Vi stabilized and surgery was planned for Saturday.

To make a long story shorter, Vi's surgery went fine. She spent a few days in the hospital in Fargo until she was moved into Valley Care & Rehab which is the same town that David lives in. We got home late Sunday night and Monday, I was off to work in Gonvick to fill in for a co-worker who was taking a few days off.

Monday, of course was busy as I was working with all the papers Richards has by changing photos over to black-white and other jobs in addition to the RLC Herald. Day two was to upload the E-editions and a few other things on the list. I got home Tuesday night for supper and I just felt awful. I was supposed to go back to Richards to do the weekly billing of ads like I usually do, but I called in sick. Then decided to take a Covid test. And guess what, I had Covid.

Thankfully no one I was in contact with during this hectic weekend has contracted Covid, that I know of. I am feeling better, no symptoms for a few days, have tested a second time, still positive, so Tuesday, I will test again and I hope it reads negative.

If it wasn't for the help of a number of people in Oklee, filling in for my church duties, I don't know what I would have done. Your help was greatly appreciated.

In ending, David has reported the Vi is doing well, has been going to therapy and we are all happy to hear that.

I'm sure I'm not the only one that has experienced such a week and I am thankful for all the help and prayers we all

So tentatively, the next meeting is scheduled to be held on August 15th at 2 p.m. at the Oklee Cafe. All Seniors are encouraged to attend.

Vi Cote is well and taking therapy after her hip surgery. She is at Valley Care & Rehab, PO Box 129, Room 39, Barnesville, MN 56514.

Many Seniors have grand or great grandchildren. Here are some fun things to keep them occupied when visiting.

Write stories together

Play board games

Go to a museum

Bake cookies and let the kids help

Shop at a thrift store

Create a scrapbook

Make homemade mini

pizzas

Create a family book with information and pictures about each family

Volunteer together

Play loud music and

dance crazy

Make popsicles and eat them together

Take turns saying tongue

twisters

Sing songs

Bake a cake and decorate it

Play dress up

Watch their favorite movie with them

Make hot chocolate from scratch and add marshmallows

Just have fun with them anyway you can as those memories will last them a lifetime.

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

The weather did cool off. Some have had to warm the house up in the morning, as it was just too cool to get moving. I know that some household have A/C wars. Turn on the A/C, DON't turn on the A/C. Just don't ask. It is a sick mindset problem.

Last week Rebecca Novak of Mankato came to visit Jerome and Barb Novak. She arrived on Friday the 2nd, and went to Warroad on the 3rd to attend the play that her nephew Ian Ellenson was performing in. The play, "Footloose" was performed by the folks in the theater group in Warroad. She reported that it was very entertaining and done very well.

After she came back from Warroad, she made some inroads into cleaning my basement. My age got ahead of me and she is helping me out by going through and throwing out what needs to go. She stayed until Wednesday, and kept us busy and entertained. Living in the country is pretty quiet until one of the kids comes home, and then it gets interesting again.

A belated Happy Birthday to my friend from Plummer, Anne Traxler. This was a special Birthday, and I hope her day was special. Anne, I hope that the backs of the cake handlers are healed by now I understand that it was a heavy cake, could have it been the candles?

The Pazdernaks were asked to babysit their grandchildren in Washington state.

10th Annual Farm to Fiber Festival at Park Rapids Farmers Market

The Farm to Fiber Festival will again be in conjunction with the popular Park Rapids Farmers Market on Hwy 34 in Park Rapids, MN across from Thielen Motors, Park Rapids, MN 56470

Come out and see what area fiber artists and farms are producing or show off your latest wearable fiber art in our informal Fashion Show. September 7, 2024, Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

No Entrance Fee

Children and families welcome! The Farmers Market features a wide variety of vendors as well, with delicious foods, vegetables and craft items in addition to our own talented fiber art vendors and farms.

At our Fashion Show, anyone with handmade clothing or accessories is welcome to showcase their items. Bring your own handmade wearable fiber art to enter or come enjoy the entries. Entering items is free and the show is open to the public. Please register Saturday morning if you plan to enter an item to show.

We will be doing a raffle throughout the event. You must be present to win.

So they hopped the train to go to Washington, and when they got there they were told what needed to be done and their daughters went to their meeting. The first day one of the children got the vomiting flu, and the next day another child got the flu, and it went through each and every child while the week went on. So the care of Grandma and Grandpa got them through the week. They flew home after the Moms returned.

Have a happy week everyone. I don't know why, but it seems that more people are smiling these days.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103D.911, notice is hereby given that the Board of Managers of the Red Lake Watershed District will hold a public hearing on the proposed 2025 General Fund Budget at 9:15 a.m., August 22, 2024, at the Red Lake Watershed District Office, 1000 Pennington Avenue South, Thief River Falls, MN 56701. The following is the 2025 proposed budget:

PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET	
Manager's fees and salaries	\$40,000.00
Board of Managers expense	24,200.00
Staff salaries	623,395.00
Payroll taxes	47,690.00
Employee benefits	168,481.00
Travel and meetings	7,500.00
Audit	10,400.00
Legal	16,000.00
Office supplies	20,000.00
Office equipment	40,000.00
Appraisers and Viewers	2,000.00
Professional services	35,000.00
Dues and subscriptions	10,000.00
Insurance and bonds	40,000.00
Repairs and maintenance- building	15,000.00
Utilities	12,000.00
Advertising and publications	4,000.00
Telephone	11,000.00
Vehicle expense & maintenance	15,000.00
Engineering supplies	3,000.00
Engineering equipment	45,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,189,666.00
LESS: ESTIMATED OVERHEAD	(935,092.50)
LESS: MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	(3,000.00)
2025 GENERAL FUND BUDGET	\$251,573.50
PROPOSED 2025 GENERAL FUND LEVY	\$250,000.00

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
An ad valorem tax of .0003627 times the taxable market value for 2024, collectible for 2025, will be levied on all taxable property within the Red Lake Watershed District. One-half of the levy will remain in the District for projects listed below; the other one-half of the levy will be sent to the Red River Watershed Management Board for projects within the Red River Basin.
Permitting system
Benchmarks
Flood Control studies/projects
Stream gauging
Water quality studies/projects
Rivers
Watershed hydrologic analysis
Lakes
Bank stabilization O21-22C

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

On Monday, August 5th, Tri River Pioneer members met at 8 p.m. The guys discussed building plans regarding pouring concrete and what it would cost. Kyle Qualley filled in for President Eric Mickelson. The next meeting will be September 9th at 8 p.m.

On Tuesday, August 6th, Gerda Koskela celebrated her birthday. Her daughter Deb Walter of Moorhead and Dixie Bosch and Regan of South Fargo, came to visit her that day.

Anne Traxlers birthday was also that day. Her sisters Marian Schiller of Grand Forks and Gloria Niswonger of Walker, also Anne's daughter Nancy Olson, all went to the Hive in Thief River to eat.

The cool weather is quite a disappointment to many. Not good drying weather for the

fields and lawn. It's so different for August. But it should change soon.

Blast To Brooks is getting closer. Badger has their fall festival, I really enjoy going up there for that in September.

A Dostal family reunion was held at Roseau Park in Roseau. There are the cousins from my mom's side. My grandpa came from Czechoslovakia in the late 1800's. There was a storage metal chest that was brought over on the ship the family kept. Also citizenship papers and other old papers and pictures. It was fun to see all this. The cousins enjoyed visiting. There was plenty of food and group family pictures taken as well as a whole grouping taken. The weather was perfect.

Hopefully, it will warm up soon. Stay safe and stay well.

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