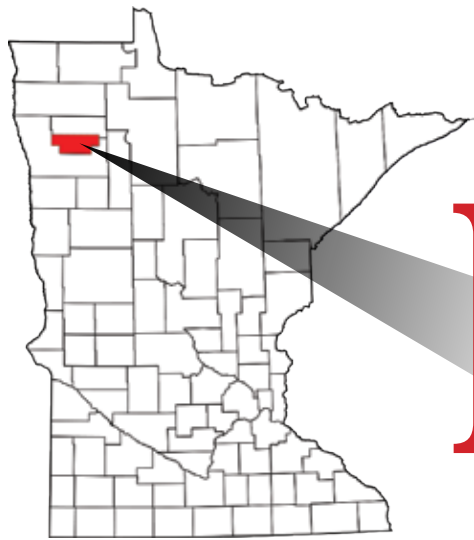




# Red Lake County HERALD

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Wednesday, September 4, 2024

## Blast To Brooks September 7th

Saturday September 7th is a day full of fun for the whole family at the 53rd annual Blast to Brooks!! And according to the weather reports it should be a great day for a Blast to Brooks. The high is predicted to be 67 degrees, mostly sunny and no rain.

There are many things to do and see. The day starts out with St. Joe's 100 Item Raffle at 9:00 a.m. There will be a vendor flea market on the east side of Main Street starting at 10 a.m. on the grass of the horse shoe at th Senior Housing.

At 11 a.m there ill be a Antique Tractor and Machinery



Show. Moto Cross Racing is listed on the events, but no time was listed.

The 53rd Annual Softball tournament is a fun event if you like to play or watch a

good game.

There will be a classic car & bike show down by the tennis courts. Registration is at 10:30 a.m. with the show running from 11 am. to 4 p.m.

Other fun things will be kids games, face painting, coin dig, ping pong drop, sumo wrestling, corn hole tournament, kids tractor barrel train rides, face painting.

Nordic Brew House (Coffee & Lotus drinks), food vendors, a beer garden will be set up and there will be music in the afternoon by "Honky Tonk Troubadours with two sessions, one from 12 - 2 p.m. and the second set from 3 - 5 p.m.

The parade starts at 2 p.m. followed by the Corn Hole Tournament at 2:30 p.m. At 3 p.m. the kids should gather downtown for Kids games and a Coin Dig follwed by the Ping Pong Ball Drop.

The evening starts with more music with Shane Erickson playing from 5 p.m. til 9:00 p.m. and to end the evening of fun, "Dynamic Sound Production" will be playing. There will be food vendors, a beer garden and much more all day long.

So come on over to Brooks and celebrate the Blast.



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## Western Minnesota Steam Threshers Reunion 2024

It all started in 1940 with a little idea sparked from the soul of some local Threshermen over supper. The Nelson boys fired up the old Garr-Scott engine to thresh with steam again for old time sake with family & friends. The event continued once a year until 1954, when Western Minnesota Steam

Thresher's Reunion met formally for the first time and invited the public. Today the show has grown to include hundreds of demonstrations and exhibits spread over 210 beautiful acres. The show attracts thousands of spectators and volunteers every Labor Day weekend. Every Labor Day weekend since 1954,

generations of Threshermen & women get together to relive the tradition of the good ole' days and bring the past to life for the enjoyment of young and old alike.

Eric Mickelson was at Rollag over the Memorial Day weekend and shared a few photos with our readers.



Jon Smith, from Oklee, standing by a model 820 with unique steel wheels.

## Faces in Childcare - Meet Nicole Kruchowski



Jacob, Nicole, Logan and Tucker Kruchowski.

the Plummer community for a moment, they have been so amazing with their support! They think of me & my program when they are downsizing their toys, books, games, art supplies, and random items. All the waves and honks the children receive when we are out front enjoying a popsicle, drawing chalk, or watching traffic from the window, it really makes their day! The community members that take the time to answer what their favorite color is or listen to a wild adventure the kids were on are the best! We really appreciate it!

What advice do you have

for anyone looking to open a child care program?

Quality over quantity is important, not every child will fit well into your program. Communication with parents is necessary and having a clear understanding of expectations on both sides will make things run smoothly. If you don't want daycare in your home, there are other options out there, get creative! You will fall in love with your littles and it'll break your heart when they leave for kindergarten but you build relationships that last long after they leave. This profession is challenging yet so rewarding.

Tell us a little about yourself and your child care program? How many years have you been a childcare provider and what led you into this career?

My name is Nicole Kruchowski but my friends call me Coles. I've been married for 15 years to my husband Jacob and we have two boys, Logan age 10, and Tucker age 9. I have been a child care provider for 9 years in September. We actually couldn't find daycare for our oldest son until he was eight months old. I know that panic of being pregnant and trying to find someone you trust to watch your child and nothing is available. We were lucky enough to depend on family until we could get Logan into daycare.

I was practicing my degree in accounting but I wanted to spend more time with Logan, we were pregnant with our second, and going to have 2 under 2 so the wheels started turning on what I could do. Our current daycare, Sandy, was looking to retire and my dad was selling the grocery store. It came together with a lot of hard work. Tucker was born in March, we started remodeling in May and I opened in September.

I participate with the food program, Provider's Choice, and am rated with Parent Aware. Nicole's Tiny Tots is open M-F, 7:30-5:30. We learn through play! I focus on the social/emotional and self regulation side, teaching the children the tools they need for when someone tells them they can't play or they are told no. Working through these situations, how we handle our emotions, and express them appropriately. Their imaginations grow here with child led play, play is so important!

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

I want to really brag about

## Minnesota Sheriffs' Association Scholarship Program

Sheriff Mitch Bernstein of Red Lake County announced today the commencement of the Law Enforcement Scholarship Program for 2024. The MSA Board of Directors has established a scholarship fund for the awarding of up to 18 - \$2,000 scholarships for this year. These scholarships are due to the coordinated efforts of the 87 elected Sheriffs of the State of Minnesota.

The MSA gives special recognition to the financial needs of students attending the peace officer skills course, or any of the two- or four-year law enforcement degree programs around the state. "The MSA Board of Directors acknowledges the current challenges in recruiting and greatly appreciates the individuals that make the decision to serve others through

a career in law enforcement. This is one way that we can support that honorable decision." said Executive Director, James Stuart. "This remains a noble profession and offering these scholarships is another way that we can promote the profession and support those who wish to serve and protect in our communities." said Red Lake County Sheriff Mitch Bernstein.

The MSA Scholarship Committee, in making its selection of awards, intends on achieving representation from all geographical areas of the state. Scholarship awards will be announced by December 30th of the same year. Application forms and a statement of procedures are available at the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office.

Completed applications

must be received by the MSA by November 30, 2024 to be considered. Scholarships are only available to students currently enrolled in one of the following three categories:

1. Mandated POST Skills Program
2. In their second year of a two-year law enforcement program.
3. In their third or fourth year of a four-year college criminal justice program.

In order to qualify, students must have completed at least one year of the two-year program or two years of a four-year program. Students meeting these criteria are invited to obtain a scholarship application form from their local sheriff's office or online at [www.mn-sheriffs.org](http://www.mn-sheriffs.org).

## Church News

**OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH**  
Zion and Salem  
Okleelutheran.org  
Sun, Sept. 8: 10:00 a.m.  
Joint Service at Zion.

**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, Sept. 8: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer; 10:30 a.m. Worship at Bethany; 7:00 p.m. Worship at Immanuel.

**GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA**  
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith  
Sun, Sept. 8 - Rally Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Ekelund, 9:30 a.m. Faith, 11:00 a.m. Bethany.  
Tue, Sept. 9: 9:30 a.m. Rachel Circle.

### Oklee Senior Site Dining

**September 9 - 13**  
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, Sept. 9:** Beef Stroganoff, Egg Noodles, Green Beans, Bread/Margarine, Fruit Crisp, 1% Milk.

**Tue, Sept. 10:** BBQ Chicken, Diced Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Dinner Roll/Margarine, Fresh Fruit, 1% Milk.

**Wed, Sept. 11:** Pork Chop w/Rice Pilaf, California Blend Veggies, Pineapple Chunks, Dinner Roll/Margarine, Choc. Chip Cookie, 1% Milk.

**Thu, Sept. 12:** Amanda's Lasagna, Green Beans, Bread Stick/Margarine, Tropical Fruit, 1% Milk.

**Fri, Sept. 13:** Pot Roast w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Carrot Coins, Dinner Roll/Margarine, Fresh Fruit, 1% Milk.

### Sudoku Solution

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**CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH**  
Mt. Olive – Nazareth  
Oak Park – St. Petri  
Pastor Jeffrey Merseth is On Leave  
Rev. Carl Busse  
Rev. Gene Lilienthal  
Sat, Sept. 7: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, Sept. 8: St. Petri: 8:00 a.m. Oak Park: 8:45 a.m. SS, 9:45 a.m. Worship. Potluck to follow. Nazareth: 10:00 a.m. SS, 11 a.m. Worship. Potluck to follow.

Wed, Sept. 11: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School. 6:30 p.m. Vespers.

**GULLY-TRAIL PARISH**  
Bethany \* Lund  
Sand Valley  
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister  
Sun, Sept. 8: 9 a.m. Lund 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.

**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.

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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 [ricedc@yahoo.com](mailto:ricedc@yahoo.com).

042-11C (2xmo.)

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**BLAST TO BROOKS**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**  
9:00 A.M. St. Joe's 100 item Raffle starting at 9 A.M.  
11:00 A.M. Classic Car & Bike Show 11 AM - 4PM (10:30 A.M. Registration in the park)  
11:00 A.M. Antique Tractor & Machinery Show  
12:00 P.M. Outdoor Music "Honky Tonk Troubadours" 12-2 P.M. & 3-5 P.M.  
2:00 P.M. Grand Parade - Alysia Schmitz 218-779-4436  
2:30 P.M. Registration for Corn Hole Tournament  
3:00 P.M. Kids Games and Coin Dig  
4:00 P.M. Ping Pong Ball Drop  
5:00 P.M. Outdoor Music "Shane Erickson" 5-9 P.M.  
9:00 P.M. Outdoor Music by "Dynamic Sound Productions"

**FLEA MARKET: (Set up your own) East Side of Main Street Starting at 10 A.M.**

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On the afternoon of 08/23/24, Noah Daniel Habermann (25) of East Grand Forks was cited for speeding on CR. #13 west of Red Lake Falls.

On the afternoon of 08/23/24, Austin Bailey Branchand (24) of Thief River Falls was cited for speeding on Hwy. #32 in Red Lake Falls.

Shortly after midnight on 08/25/24, a Red Lake County deputy responded to a report of a disturbance at a Red Lake Falls residence. It was discovered that Brett James Larson (37) of Red Lake Falls committed acts of domestic violence against his mother. He was arrested, taken to jail in Crookston and was booked for misdemeanor domestic assault. Mr. Larson appeared in Court in Crookston on 08/26/24. He posted \$700 cash bail and was released with court-ordered conditions. His next court appearance was scheduled for 08/28/24 in Red Lake Falls.

On the afternoon of 08/25/24, Voyageur's View Staff contacted the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office to report an individual was possibly using a fake identification card. Red Lake County deputies responded and discovered the ID card was fake. Investigation revealed that several minors in a group that was tubing had been consuming alcohol. Four juveniles will be charged for minor consumption of alcohol, and they will be summoned to appear in juvenile court at a later date. Yalentina I. Boianoff (20) of Fertile and Foma Kirikovich Cheremnov (18) of Erskine were both cited for minor consumption of alcohol. The juvenile's guardians were notified of the incident, and they were all released from custody.

On the evening of 08/25/24, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of a disturbance in a residential

**American Legion Auxiliary Meeting**

The American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 159, will meet on Tuesday, September 10th at 4:00 pm at the Oklee Senior Site. Please plan to attend and remind members of the meeting date.

area on the north side of Red Lake Falls. Red Lake County deputies responded and investigated the report. It was discovered that an argument began at the Voyageur's View parking lot, and it continued into a residential neighborhood. Four individuals who were involved in causing the disturbance were located and identified. Kali Jade Lussier (20) of Grand Forks was cited for minor consumption and disorderly conduct. Keanna Rose Kingbird (22) of Fargo was cited for disorderly conduct. Geraun Demetri Foote (28) of Chicago City, MN was cited for disorderly conduct and Trisha Kay Londo (26) of Mahanomen was cited for disorderly conduct. All four individuals were taken to a Red Lake Falls residence and released from custody.

On the evening of 08/27/24, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received several reports of two dogs running loose and causing problems on the north side of Red Lake Falls. A Red Lake County deputy responded, found the owner, and the dogs were returned to their residence. The following morning, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received another complaint of one of dogs running loose again. A Red Lake County deputy caught the dog and took it to the Pound in Thief River Falls. The dog's owner, Travis Steven Martin (28) of Red Lake Falls was cited for the city ordinance violation.

On the evening of 08/27/24, a Red Lake Falls resident reported a theft of property. That report remains under investigation.

Mitch Bernstein, Red Lake County Sheriff: 08/30/24

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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).  
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## RLCC Menus

September 9 - 13

### Oklee

**Monday: Breakfast:** Ham & Cheese Croissant or Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Chicken Patty, Curly Fries, Vegetables, Fruit, and Milk.

**Tuesday: Breakfast:** Pancake on a Stick w/Syrup, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Taco in a Bag or Soft Shell, Refried Beans, Spanish Rice, Fruit, and Milk.

**Wednesday: Breakfast:** Muffin or Yogurt Parfait or Cereal, Fruit, Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Chef Salad, Cottage Cheese, Bread Sticks, Fresh Vegetables, Fruit, and Milk.

**Thursday: Breakfast:** Bagels w/Cream Cheese, or Cereal, Fruit, Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Chicken Pot Pie, Whole Grain Biscuit, Yogurt or String Cheese, Vegetable, Fruit, and Milk.

**Friday: Breakfast:** Cinnamon Roll or Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Cold Sub, Fresh Vegetables, Fruit, and Milk.

### Plummer

**Monday: Breakfast:** Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Chicken Strips, French Fries, Mixed Vegetables, Fruit, and Milk.

**Tuesday: Breakfast:** Cinnamon Mini Roll, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Soft Shell Tacos, Toppings, Corn, Fruit, and Milk.

**Wednesday: Breakfast:** Pancakes, Sausage, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Chicken Noodle Hotdish, Green Beans, Dinner Roll, Fruit, and Milk.

**Thursday: Breakfast:** French Toast Bread, Fruit, Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Hotdog on a bun, Baked Beans, Chips, Fruit, and Milk.

**Friday: Breakfast:** Cinnamon Roll, Fruit, Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Cheesy Bread, Marinara Sauce, Fresh Vegetables, Fruit, and Milk.

## RLCC Sports Schedules

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

### RLC Rebels

#### Varsity Football

**Thu, Sept. 5:** Red Lake Away 6:00 PM.

**Fri, Sept. 13:** Lake Park-Audubon Away 7:00 PM.

### RLC Rebels

#### Jr. Varsity FB

**Mon, Sept. 16:** Polk Cty West Home-Plummer 5:00 PM

### Rebels JH 7&8

**Thu, Sept. 5:** Fosston Home-Oklee 4:30/5:30.

### Elementary (5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>)

**Sat, Sept. 7:** Red Lake Falls 9-11 AM.

**Sat, Sept. 14:** Roseau 9-11 AM.

### Volleyball

#### Schedules

**Thu, Sept. 5:** C Game - 4:30PM Away vs. Stephen-Argyle Storm; JH - 4:30PM Fosston @ Plummer; JV - 6:00PM Away vs. Stephen-Argyle Storm; Varsity Game - 7:30PM Away vs. Stephen-Argyle Storm - All @ Stephen-Argyle Central High School

**Sat, Sept. 7:** Girls Varsity Tournament TBD Ada-Borup High School

**Mon, Sept. 9:** JH Game 4:30PM Away vs. RLF @ RLF Elementary; C Game 5:00PM Away vs. Blackduck; JV Game 6:00PM Away vs. Blackduck; Varsity Game 7:30PM Away vs. Blackduck Public. All @ Blackduck High School

### Boys & Girls Cross Country Schedules

**Thu, Sept. 5:** Boys & Girls Varsity Meet @ 4:00AM Away vs. Roseau @ Oakcrest Golf Club

**Thu, Sept. 12:** Boys & Girls Varsity Meet - 4:00AM Away vs. Ada-Borup-West @ Heart of the Valley Golf Club

## Rebels Start 1-0

The 2024 high school football season kicked off on August 29th across the state of Minnesota. That included the Walker-Hackensack-Akeley Wolves making a visit to Red Lake County to take on the Rebels. After a morning of heavy rain, the game time conditions were perfect for some football.

After the Wolves would end their 1st possession with a punt, the Rebels would go to work. The offense would go 80 yards in 7 plays and end with a Brock Seeger 3 yard touchdown run and an 8-0 Rebel lead.

The strong Rebel defense gave the ball to offense quickly and often in the second quarter as RLC would score three times. Owen Chervestad would score the 1st time, with a 5 yard run to make it 14-0. After a 4 play drive, Chervestad would find Connor Duden in the back of the end zone for a nice passing connection and a 22-0 Rebel advantage.

The combination of Ethan Johnson and Chervestad would end the half with another Rebel touchdown, this passing completion of 52 yards would give RLC a 28-0 halftime lead.

Red Lake County would add two touchdowns on the board in the second half, one in each of the periods. In the 3rd quarter, Ethan Majeres would score from one yard out and to start the 4th quarter, Gunnar Halverson would race down the field for a 45 yard touchdown run. In the end the Rebels won 40-0, starting their season 1-0.

The RLC Rebels would put up 488 yards of offense while limiting W-H-A to 54 total yards. Seeger would have 184 rushing yards while Chervestad was 5-7 for 116 yards in the passing game.

"It was a good win to start the year. Lots to work on, but lots to like as well," noted Coach Brian Remick,



The RLC Rebels won their season opener 40-0, against Walker-Hackensack-Akeley last Thursday in RLF.



Brock Seeger, Jacob Harmoning, Brock Knott, Owen Chervestad, Luke Peterson, Guy Bergeson, and Ethan Majeres, not pictured Hunter Dudycha.



Coach Angie Lundeen talks to the team before one of the scrimmages in Clearbrook!



RLCC seventh grade girls won the championship title in the Pacesetter's annual Great Five-State tournament on Thursday, August 15, 2024, at the Target Center.

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## Back to School 1964

By Eric Mickelson

We are heading back to school this fall, 2024. The community has been witnessing the building of the new school building but this is some of what was going on 60 years ago!

After meeting with their advisors Class officers and student council members for the 1964-65 school year were elected!

### Senior Class:

President, Leroy Hruby; vice president, Mike Melby; secretary, Rene Hofstad; treasurer, Ernest Dessellier; student council, Mary Jo Walker, Sheryl Gunderson, and David Austad; and class reporter, Elenor Fortier.

### Junior Class:

President, Curtis Swenson; vice president, Joyce Lindquist; secretary, Judy Fore; treasurer, Crystal Lundeen; student council, Mike Radniecki, Roxanne Radniecki; and class reporter Galen Linder.

### Sophomore Class:

President, Jack Sundrud; vice president, Patsy Good; secretary, Ardis LaJambe; treasurer, Richard Bluemke; student council, Jay Christiansen and Mary Melby; and class reporter Marcella Boucher.

### Freshman Class:

President, Joanne Fortier; vice president, Sandra Groven; secretary, LaVerne Stucy; treasurer, Susan Hegge; student council, Renee Brekke; and class reporter Betty Johnson.

I am sure the class officers for this 2024 school year were either picked last spring or maybe they are voting this week. Somethings don't really change but it was fun to check out the names of what was happening back in '64.

The RLC County Rebels started their football season with a win and in my research of 1964 the Bobcats also started with a win. The headline read,

"Oklee Downs Goodridge 7-0."

The article, written by Jack Sundrud read something like this....

Jim Sorenson, Oklee half-back plunged in from 3 yards to defeat Goodridge 7-0. This was followed by a pass from Melby to Krossen for the extra point.

Defensively Tom Melby, Jim Sorenson, and Rene Hofstad played an outstanding game. Melby has 14 tackles, Sorenson 11, and Hofstad 5. Sorenson and Hofstad also recovered fumbles for the Bobcats. Other tackles came from Steve Radniecki, Gary Fossum, Terry Lambert, David Anderson, Herb Vettleson, John Kolstoe, Richard Krossen, David Austad, and John Larson. The Bobcats had 110 yards passing. Krossen caught for 100 yards and Austad for 10. The season will continue with a game under the lights in Plummer.

## Oklee Herald Early Files

### 80 Years Ago Sept., 7, 1944

New Teachers in Oklee Public School are Mrs. Wallace Groberg of Brooks, in second grade; Miss Alice Liberg of Greenbush, fourth grade; Miss Agnes Larson and Miss Janice Larson both of Borup. They will be dividing grades five and six.

Pvt. Lloyd Cyr returned to Brookings, SD, after spending a few days in Oklee with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cyr. He is expected to leave for New Haven, Connecticut, where he will attend Yale College.

### 70 Years Ago Sept. 9, 1954

Dwight Howard, a member of the Busy Bee 4-H club won a trip to the 4-H State Conservation Camp at Itasca Park September 16-19.

Minnesota State Fair Ribbon recipients from the area included Glenyce Eskeli with a blue ribbon for a Home Assistance demonstration. Corline Waldal and Carol Scheldrup received red ribbons for their dresses. Carol Lehrer, Hilltop Ramblers was given a red ribbon for her canning exhibit. Roger Ellickson, Equality Hustlers, won a red ribbon for

his Hampshire ewe lambs. Billy Peterson, Happy Go Lucky, got a red ribbon for his Milking Shorthorn heifer. Rodney Thompson, Happy Hustlers, got a red ribbon for his Holstein Dairy heifer. Duane Howard of the Busy Bees received a white ribbon for his Chester White gilt.

### 60 Years Ago Sept. 10, 1964

The newest edition to Oklee's Fall Festival, Sept. 18-19, is a horse show sponsored by the OK Saddle Club.

The Plummer PTA held its first meeting for the year with a reception for the teachers. The meeting was called to order by Superintendent George Glum and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

A new roof was installed on the Oklee Municipal Liquor Store to repair damages from last March when the Oklee Recreation, next door, was destroyed by fire.

Marilyn Bakke, daughter of Herbert Bakke of Oklee, was named "student of the week" at Interstate Business College, in Fargo.

### 50 Years Ago Sept. 5, 1974



Eric Mickelson's grandson, Callan playing with play dough at one of the many kid activities at Rollag!

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Although 42 Kindergarten students were enrolled at the Oklee School, but total attendance was down by 10 students. K-12 enrollment was 484 students.

State Representative Joan Grow, DFL endorsed candidate for Secretary of State stopped in Oklee and was pictured in the paper with Twyla Fore and Ole Melby.

Erskine and McIntosh fire departments responded to a fire at Moran's Steak House after a chicken fryer exploded. The building and contents were a total loss.

### 40 Years Ago Sept 6, 1984

Attending the State Fair was the Lost River Ramblers 4-H club with their Share the Fun act. They performed a musical act entitled "Me and My Shadow." Member performing wer Lisa Chaput, Carol Bergeron, Denise Grimm, and Mary, Karin, and Kim Bachand.

Paul Cyr visited Cairo, Egypt, Mt. Sinai, the Pyramids, Rome, Paris, and other cities. He has spoken to school classes and church groups about his Holy Land experiences.

Plummer senior quarterback, Gene Fisher, was the "Canary Player of the Week" award after completing 8 of 13 passes for 133 yards, and 3 TDs as the Cardinals defeated Clearbrook 37-18.

### 30 Years Ago Sept. 7, 1994

Three candidates are on the primary ballot for county auditor. They are Lynn Geller, Bob Schmitz, and Karla Moran.

At the Oklee School Board meeting, called to order by David Bachand. One order of business was to purchase a new bus from Hoglund Bus Company for the amount of \$38,000.

Ethel Johnson received telephone greetings from her daughter Marlene Brown, from Russian. She will be returning later this week to resume her teaching job at Mount Hood Community College in Oregon.

In senior news Gertie Matheson and William Bourque are both home after being hospitalized.

## 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.

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### 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.

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### 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.

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**Senior Site Meeting** was held on September 3rd at the Jumpin' Jax Cafe.

A couple of highlights of events to come up in September are as follows.

There will be a change in the Potluck meal date. It had been scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 17th, but the board was informed that the Area on Aging was having a Fall Meal on September 17th at the Brooks Hall and all seniors

in the county are invited. It starts at 11:30 p.m. Put it on your calendar!

So then the Oklee Seniors decided to have their Potluck on Tuesday, September 10th instead at 5:00 p.m. This is a fun event for seniors and any senior is invited to bring a dish to share. This is held at the Oklee Senior Site.

And finally one more fun event is being planned. The Seniors Site is hosting an "Fall Apple Celebration" on September 24th at 2:00 p.m. at the Jumpin' Jax Cafe. A delightful apple dessert will be served with coffee and possible ice cream?

So three events to mark on your calendar for September!

## Plummer News

By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

Connie and Charley Bishop of Lake George visited relatives and friends over the weekend. They used to live in Plummer.

On Thursday, we got two and four tenths inches of rain. There was wind with it breaking some branches on my tree.

On Saturday, the 24th, Alice Jobe attended the Chautauqua Festival at Huot Park. The weather was beautiful. There

were tortiere (French Meat pies) for sale and other choices. President Virgil Benoit talked about the Old Crossing Treaty from long ago that involved the Indians. Then the Ryan Keplin band from North Dakota played and at 4 o'clock, a Cajun band named New Riverside Ramblers played. It was an enjoyable day. There were two Indian tepees there also.

The summer is coming quickly to an end. Soon we will be raking leaves.

On Sunday Anna DeHate and Alice Jobe enjoyed going to Mentor for the breakfast buffet. It was very good and also a nice pleasant drive down there.

Have a good week! Hopefully it warms up and is sunny for a while.

## 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.)

### Former food critic tells all

When Wini Moranville waited tables at the tender age of 15, little did she know she would become a dining critic known worldwide, traveling the globe in search of the perfect restaurant experience.

Former food critic for the Des Moines Register where she wrote a weekly column, Datebook Diner, and later for dsm magazine, Moranville moved on to write for major publications, one with 15 million readers.

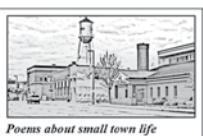
It's that early server experience, though, that gave her an insider's view of what it takes to create a truly rewarding dining experience. After all, who knows more about good service than a person who has provided it.

So, what's the secret?

Well, the secret is in the title of her book, Love is My Favorite Flavor. While one may be served the most delicious and meticulously plated meal in the world, if that meal isn't complemented by excellent service, a diner might see that meal as a tragedy.

After her travels to dining venues throughout Europe, Moranville had a different take on Iowa dining.

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## Who's Dat?



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This week's photo is of a couple that raised their family in the area.

Last Week's photo was of Youth Bowling League members: Tammy Skallet, Peter Bronken, Lisa Whyte and Wendy Larson.

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.

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