

Oklee Precipitation

By Einar Kvasager

	Rain	Snow
March 25	0.05	Trace
March 30	0.25	
Total in.	0.30	0.00

Oklee Herald

...AND CONTINUING THE PLUMMER PIONEER

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Wednesday, April 6, 2016

RLCC High School to present “A Hillbilly Wedding” April 15th-17th

RLCC Theater will be presenting the three act comedy, "A Hillbilly Wedding" by Le Roma Greth and by special arrangement with Heuer Publishing on April 15-16-7 in the Oklee School gym. Admission is \$5.00 for 6th through adult and \$3.00 for K-6th grade.

The new cast includes Tom Nelson as Pa Belsnickle, Kjersten Walton as Ma Belsnickle, Sydney Melby as Ceelie Belsnickle, Jade Person as Bonnie May Belsnickle, Kara Longtin as Juneey Lou Belsnickle, Natalie Aakhus as Four Belsnickle, Heather Longtin as Six Belsnickle, Nick Pahlen as Obeey Upschlager, Hannah Kolstoe as Chis Upschlager, Erin Jones as Ronald Maxwell, DeDe Walton as Lucy Maxwell, David Clifton as Reverend, Austin Waliser as Cousin Zeke, Holly Vettleson as Cousin Lily Belle the pianist. Director-Michael Swenson.

This comedy will be including some music and a great pianist Holly Vettleson. I know when I asked her to play the Wedding March I had asked her to play it as Jeff Foxworthy would play it. This is going to be a unique experience for her and for the audience.

This play takes place in the deep, deep in the Adirondack Mountains where modern conveniences like a two holer outhouse is a luxury. The play takes place thirty miles from Horsehair Junction, the county seat.

Pa (Tom Nelson) had never traveled that far and none of the kids have either. Pa is Pa Kettle to the tee. Work and he don't ever meet very often.

Ma (Kjersten Walton) is concerned for the elder daughter, Ceelie Belsnickle (Sydney Melby) who loves her three pet rattlers and has never had a bath in her life. As Ma says, "Her critters cause the itching."

Juneey (Kara Longtin) has finally nailed her fellow by kissing him. In those parts a

kiss was an engagement and a double barreled shotgun was the convincer. Bonnie Mae doesn't want a husband either, she prefers hitting the books dreaming of helping her kinfolk by educating them a bit.

Along comes a city slicker, (Ronald Maxbell) a future doctor and his aunt Lucy (Dede Walton) who loves money and can't visualize skunk surprise for supper. They are trapped in the hills when Obeey Upslager (Nick Pahlen) and his brother Chiz (Hannah Kolstoe) wonder about the new guy since there are not many gals of

marriageable age in the hills where they live.

Of course, the answer to this threat is enlisting in the Marines...Wrong story....a feud. Zeke (Austin Waliser as Four Belsnickle and Natalie Aakhus as Six Belsnickle (Heather Longtin) figure they will shoota few varmints for kissing which girl?????

At 7:30 p.m. in the Oklee High School gym, join us for this screwball hillbilly comedy and some music from the hills.

Admission is only \$5:00 for the zany comedy on April 15th, 16th, and 17th.



Sydney Melby (Cissie Belsnickle) and Hannah Kolstoe (Chiz Upschlager) help paint the sets for the play.



Tornado Drill Day set for April 14th

Every year, a Tornado Drill Day is set and this year, Thursday, April 14, 2016 is the day.

For more than 20 years, the state of Minnesota has conducted a Severe Weather Awareness Week in partnership with the National Weather Service and local governments. A statewide tornado drill is part of that event.

Most local and statewide radio, TV and cable stations will be participating in the drill. Television viewers and radio station listeners and TV viewers should hear or see a simulated tornado warning message at 1:45 p.m. This tornado drill warning should last about one minute. When the test is completed, stations should return to normal programming.

In addition, alerts for both the simulated tornado watches and warnings will be issued over the NOAA Weather Radios in the area which will activate the radio alerts. The afternoon drill will also occur at the same time in Wisconsin and is expected to be broadcast on most radio and TV stations.

Schedule

The National Weather Service, Wisconsin Emergency Management, the Minnesota Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and other state, county and local agencies have come together to host Severe Weather Awareness Week activities.

On Thursday April 14, 2016 simulated tornado watches and warnings will be issued to test the statewide warning and communications systems. All counties in Minnesota normally participate in the first drill at 1:45 p.m. unless actual severe weather is expected. The schedule is as follows:

1:00 p.m. All six weather National Weather Service offices that serve Minnesota

will issue a simulated tornado watch (TOA). NOAA Weather Radios will activate with the real TOA code.

1:45 p.m. The National Weather Service will issue a simulated tornado warning (TOR) for Minnesota counties. Note that most cities and counties will activate outdoor warning siren systems. NOAA Weather Radios will activate with the real TOR code.

2:00 p.m. The National Weather Service will issue an "End of Test" message using the Severe Weather Statement product. No alarm on weather radio.

6:55 pm. The National Weather Service offices will issue another simulated tornado warning (TOR). NOAA Weather Radios will activate with the real TOR code.

7:10 pm. The National Weather Service will issue an "End of Test" message using the Severe Weather Statement product. No alarm on weather radio.



“Throwback Thursday” Music Concert is April 7 at RLCC HS

By: Ethan Vettleson

Red Lake County Central High School Spring Music Concert will be held Thursday, April 7. The concert will begin at 7:00 pm in the high school gymnasium. Admission will be \$1.

The Spring Band and Choir Concert will have a “Throwback Thursday” theme. Both choirs will perform songs from years past as well as a student selected throw-back medley.

Combined choir numbers will include “Everybody Rejoice”

from the musical “The Wiz” and “Love Can Build a Bridge” made popular by the Judds.

The bands will also perform songs from the past including the combined groups performing “Highlights from Aladdin” and Captain America March.”



Don and Alma Stenberg (left) were presented a Super Fans blanket by RLC for their support of athletics. Phil Fore (right) was recognized with a Rebels blanket for all his work with the Rebels basketball programs. Congratulations to all!



Zion Lutheran Church held their annual auction fund raiser on Sunday, April 3rd. Pictured is John Pendelton, Auctioneer Eric Mickelson and David Austad.

March 14, 2016 City of Oklee meeting

On March 14th, 2016, the City of Oklee held their monthly council meeting. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor George Burthwick. Roll call was taken, all member of the council were present: Kent Bergerson, Lori Melby, Alan Jensen and Kaye Munt. Also present at the meeting were Clerk, Derek Cross (City Clerk), Leo Olson (Advisor), Darrell Tougas (Maintenance). Others were the Red Lake County Sheriff, Mitch Bernstein, Gale Schmit from Schmit Accounting in TRF, Cal Eckstein from Sanitary Service, Bonny Cote from the Oklee Herald and ten Oklee residents or business owners.

Minutes from the February 8, 2016 meeting were looked over and approved by a motion from (inaudible) and a second from (inaudible). Carried. The Special Board meeting minutes from February 17, 2016 were also approved by a motion by Melby and seconded by Jensen, carried.

City Clerk Derek Cross presented a list of Updated Old Business for the board to approve. The items listed were: Refrigerator purchased from Freedom Living Center for a total of \$1150.00.

New water softener installed and working well, the coffee tastes better in the café!

No extra line item was added for the Fire Department financials, Bergerson thought that the existing financial reports cover everything and not to change things.

The motion was made by Bergerson and seconded by Munt, carried.

The Financial report was given by Gale Schmit. He usually goes through the many page report listing off the income and expenses of the different funds.

Schmit continued to go through the pages of the financial statement and council member Bergerson has a question on the Fire Department Fund, on page 11. He asked about a transfer of funds last month that should have taken place. Schmit will take care of it, he said he must have missed it.

Question about the Garbage Fund fuel surcharge was asked. When gas prices had gotten too high, Sanitary Service imposed a surcharge on fuel which is in the contract. The fuel price doesn't go down after an increase. Cal Eckstein also informed the council of an increase of \$5 per ton charge, so the fuel price increase is covering the cost of the per ton increase for dumping.

Checks were gone over and Jensen also asked about check numbers that are missing. He was told that they are not actual checks, we don't write checks for some things, but automatic transfer amounts.

The Financial report was approved with a motion by Bergerson, seconded by Munt, carried. The Bills were approved for payment by a motion from Bergerson and seconded by Munt. Carried.

Sheriff Mitch Bernstein reported to the Council about the Hazard Mitigation paperwork that he fills out and updates for the past few years. Sometime in the next week or so he will send a copy for the city to review and then the City can get it ok'd. Oklee should look for something that can be mitigated in the next five years. Brooks did their siren and there has been talk of getting another siren for Oklee. We need to look forward, but if it is listed doesn't mean you have to do it.

Bernstein also mentioned

that the weather has spurred people outdoors and it has been a very quiet winter. The board asked about the speed sign because it is not working properly. Bernstein said it was the Highway Departments responsibility. The sheriff's department has a mobile one, the stationary one belongs to the Highway Department.

As Bernstein finished his report, Matthew Genova asked if he would address the issue of a letter received by the Oklee Herald and read it. Mayor Burthwick told Genova that the council is going to their business meeting first then he can address his issues.

The Mayor called Tougas forward for his report on the maintenance. Tougas reported on the pipe going to the pond. Disposable wipes are plugging the pipe and is the size of a basketball. Tougas had pictures and an article in the packet given to the council. The cost to clean out is unknown at this time. Last year it cost \$1800 to clean. Other towns are also having problems. The City needs to educate the people about this problem by putting something on our water-garbage-sewer bills and in the newspaper. He would like to get a strainer/screen before the pipe opening to see if they can get ahead of it. He could go out and clean it weekly and Bergerson that is not the answer to this problem either. This is also very hard on the equipment and was causing pump readings to be off. The pipe opening will have to be cleaned again in the fall before winter.

Tougas also reported that he had talked to Mike Wick and Wicks said it was ok for the

City of Oklee
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City of Oklee Financial Statement:

	End of February 2015		End of February 2016	
Cash on hand		\$247,167.97		\$179,123.22
	February 2016	February 2015	YTD 2016	YTD 2015
Revenue	53,240.08	62,200.04	96,809.70	82,420.43
Expenses	43,165.53	31,266.89	78,857.30	65,165.40
Profit	10,074.55	30,933.15	17,952.40	17,255.03
General Fund	27,184.58	21,381.29	58,001.99	49,479.24
Street Fund	880.00	(114.84)	1,760.33	1,424.19
Fire Fund	(1354.74)	20,653.17	8570.22	19,634.49
Firemen's Fund	4,092.94	(200.00)	3,804.44	(200.00)
Economic (EDA)	530.43	774.70	14,584.93	1,534.40
Capital Replace	996.33	800.00	1992.66	1,600.00
Water Fund	15,946.51	16,355.73	20,465.38	19,750.63
Sewer Fund	9,396.99	5,520.68	11,938.88	8,103.85
Garbage Fund	5,124.72	5,037.41	4,884.48	3,916.30

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Margaret Jacobus
Wed, Apr. 6: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation. 6:30 p.m. Chime Choir. 7:00 p.m. Salem WELCA.
Sun, Apr. 10: 9:00 a.m. Zion. 9:00 a.m. Salem Sunday School. 10:15 a.m. Zion Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Salem.
Mon, Apr. 11: 7:00 p.m. Zion Board meeting.
Tue, Apr. 12: 7:00 p.m. Salem Board meeting.
Wed, Apr. 13: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation. 6:30 p.m. Chime Choir.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH OKLEE
Fr. Adam Hamness
Sun, Apr. 10: 7:30 a.m. Confessions 8:00 a.m. Mass.

BROOKS - RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bill DeCrans
Sat, Apr. 9: 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph - RLF
Sun, Apr. 10: 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph - Brooks. 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph - RLF.

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Wed, Apr. 6: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation at Immanuel.
Sun, Apr. 10: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer. 9:15 a.m. SS at Immanuel. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Immanuel. 11:30 a.m. Joint Council meeting at Immanuel.
Mon, Apr. 11: 9:00 a.m. Quilting at Immanuel.
Wed, Apr. 13: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation at Immanuel.

Oklee Senior Site Dining

April 11 - 15
Call 796-5666 to order a meal.

If you are over the age of 60 and would like to eat with other seniors at the Senior Site, please call the Café at 796-5666 to reserve your meal.
Monday: Fried ham sandwich, bean & ham soup, dessert, and milk.
Tuesday: BBQ pulled pork on bun, hash browns, vegetables, dessert and milk.
Wednesday: ½ Chef Salad w/tomatoes, cheese, onion & ham, cottage cheese, toast, dessert and milk.
Thursday: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, green beans, garlic toast, dessert and milk.
Friday: Meat loaf, boiled potatoes, squash, dessert and milk.

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GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith Interim Pastor Phil Johnson
Wed, Apr. 6: Release Time.
Sun, Apr. 10: 8:30 a.m. Ekelund. 9:45 Ekelund SS. 9:45 a.m. Faith. 11:00 a.m. Faith SS. 11:00 a.m. Bethany. 9:45 a.m. Bethany SS. Bethany SWOT meeting.
Mon, Apr. 11: 9:30 a.m. Faith, Rachel Circle.
Tue, Apr. 12: 6:00 p.m. Faith, Shalom Circle.
Wed, Apr. 13: No Release Time.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri Pastor Jeff Merseth
Wed, Apr. 6: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.
Sat, Apr. 9: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive. 10:15 a.m. Sunday School.
Sun, Apr. 10: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. St. Petri SS; 8:00 a.m. Nazareth Sunday School. 9:45 a.m. Nazareth; 9:45 a.m. OP Sunday School. 11:00 a.m. Oak Park.
Wed, Apr. 13: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Apr. 6: 6:30 p.m. AWANA and Youth Group.
Thu, Apr. 7: 12:00 p.m. Rotary meeting.
Fri, Apr. 8: 8:00 a.m. Friday School.
Sun, Apr. 10: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, Apr. 12: 8:00 a.m. LSS meeting. 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Quilting.
Wed, Apr. 13: 6:30 p.m. AWANA and Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund Sand Valley Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, Apr. 10: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.
Wed, Apr. 13: 2:00 p.m. Lund WELCA.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston
Jon Marx, Lead Pastor
Seth Johnson, Assist. Pastor
Sun, Apr. 10: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship.

If you have an editorial that you would like to have printed, please send to: okleeherald@gmail.com or drop off in the drop-off box on the door. Remember to sign your name and phone #.

Letter to the Editor

March 30, 2016
Dear Governor Dayton:
We are County Commissioners from counties along the Enbridge Mainline system and the Sandpiper Pipeline and Line 3 Replacement Project routes in northern Minnesota. We requested a meeting with you several weeks ago in the hope of sharing our support for these projects and how important they are to our constituents; the Minnesotans who have lived and worked alongside Enbridge's existing pipelines for 65 plus years. We understand that your schedule didn't align with our request and would like to thank your Chief of Staff for meeting with a few of us.
First, we would like to thank you for your continued support. We appreciate that you understand how important these projects are to our economy and the safety of all Minnesotans located along the oil train routes that cross our state. Every day of further delay is another day that more oil is unnecessarily crossing our state on trains instead of in pipelines where it belongs.
Millions of dollars in local property tax revenue and thousands of jobs are at stake. Our area businesses benefit greatly when projects like these are constructed. Sometimes these projects are the difference between businesses closing or staying open for the area. Delays by agencies can kill projects like these. Local support for these projects is strong in our counties and we want to make sure you are aware of that.
We ask you and your agencies to work as expediently as possible in supporting the PUC so they can review and permit these projects in a timely manner. The jobs and tax and economic benefits from Sandpiper are past due and Line 3 has already lost months in the process.
We invite you, your staff or the Lieutenant Governor to visit with us and our constituents in our home counties anytime so we can further talk about how these projects would benefit our area and the state. Thank you for your time Governor Dayton.

Sincerely,

Joan Lee
Polk County Commissioner

J. Mark Wedel
Anne Marcotte
Don Niemi
Laurie Westerlund
Aitkin
County Commissioners

Jim Lucachick
Beltrami
County Commissioner

Susan Zmyslony
Carlton
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Clearwater
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St. Louis
County Commissioners

Red Lake County Commissioners Minutes

RED LAKE COUNTY Regular Meeting Held February 23, 2016

Pursuant to adjournment of its regular meeting the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners duly met in regular session at the courthouse in Red Lake Falls, MN on February 23, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. Chair Simpson called the meeting to order. Commissioner Sorenson was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Nancy Ramon, Tri Valley Opportunity Council in Crookston, MN was present to provide an update on the LAC (Local Advisory Council) for children's mental health that was approved in 1989 by the Minnesota Children's Mental Health Act. Ramon informed that the laws intent is to create a system of mental health services for all children. The LAC's provide an opportunity for the parents of children with mental health concerns to work with service providers to assist in developing program's and policies for children. Some activities of the LAC include public education activities, resources for parents, parent networking, supportive environments for parents, and quarterly meetings. Ramon commented that she is meeting with County Commissioners throughout the area and inform each county of the services offered.

The Tri Valley LAC serves the counties of Kittson, Mahnom, Marshall, Norman, Polk and Red Lake.

Auditor Schmitz explained that PERA requires approval from the county governing board to allow coverage under the PERA Police and Fire Plan for any part-time peace officer. Approval can be granted either through an individual county resolution or a blanket resolution from the county that covers future qualifying part-time police officers. Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Weiss and carried by unanimous vote to approve Resolution No. 02-02-16 "PERA-Future Qualifying PT Police Officers" to be submitted to the Public Employees Retirement Association. Auditor Schmitz was authorized to sign on behalf of the county. A complete document is available at the County Auditor's office.

County Engineer Kleven met with the board to present quotes for a new front end loader. Maintenance Supervisor Rod Duden was also present. Kleven mentioned that quotes were off the state contract so sealed bids were not required to make the purchase. Two quotes were reviewed; one for a Caterpillar 938M for \$141,540.00 and

the second quote in the amount of \$142,694.00 for a JD 624K. Both quotes were less trade of a 1997 JD 624G model. Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Weiss and carried unanimously to approve purchase of the Caterpillar 938M from Ziegler Cat, Crookston, MN in the amount of \$141,540.00 after trade.

Kleven informed that he is seeking quotes for two additional rear truck sanders. The two added sanders will allow all plow trucks to salt/sand intersections, etc. when plowing snow. Kleven mentioned that the units cost approximately \$5,000.00 off the state contract.

Kleven commented that informational meetings are being scheduled to inform the public on the proposed natural gas pipeline coming from north of Crookston to the City of Red Lake Falls. Kleven expressed concerns of whether the main supply line will be installed along, or in, the County No. 11 Highway right of way.

Commissioner Weiss moved, seconded by Lerohl and unanimously carried to approve the expenditures for the period as follows:

Vendor Name	Amount
Applied Concepts Inc.	\$ 3,856.00
Rogers Two Way Radio Inc.	4,117.64
32 Payments less than \$2000	9,600.06
Final Total	\$17,574.30

The motion includes the following added bills: \$62.33 to Dacotah Paper; \$600.00 to Heppner Consulting; \$480.35 to Jeremy Johnson; \$713.56 to Quill; \$1,208.69 to Sather Law Office.

Commissioner Flage moved seconded by Lerohl and carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held February 9, 2016.

The following commissioner/committee reports were shared:

Commissioner	Meeting/Report
Weiss	None.
Flage	County Extension discussing various spring workshops and 4-H activities.
Lerohl	County Extension.
Simpson	None.

The County Board acknowledged a letter from the Local 49 representative regarding health insurance and to begin discussion of a new union contract.

The board reviewed joint ditch billings from Pennington and Polk County for maintenance costs incurred in 2015 on joint drainage systems. Commissioner Weiss moved, seconded by Flage and unanimously carried to approve payment of \$1,647.71 to Pennington County and \$15,498.10 to Polk County.

There was discussion on the meal reimbursement policy that was approved earlier in the year. The policy was changed from the \$50.00 per day meal reimbursement, to amounts per meal/per day of: \$15.00 for breakfast, \$15.00 lunch, \$20.00 supper maximum amounts. Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Flage and carried by unanimous vote to approve the amended policy effective immediately. HR Director Lundeen informed that the amended policy will be distributed to all department heads.

Commissioner Lerohl mentioned that Linda Mickelson is interested in being appointed to the County Economic Development Committee. Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Flage and carried unanimously to appoint Linda Mickelson of Oklee, MN as a District 3 representative to the EDC for a 3-year term retroactive to January 1, 2016.

The board acknowledged a trail monitoring report from the Minnesota DNR for the Pathfinders Snowmobile Club.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned until March 8, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

Attest:
Robert Schmitz, County Auditor

Chuck Simpson, Chair,
Board of Commissioners
O2C

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NOTICE

Large Item Pick-up in Oklee

April 18, 2016 ... starting at 8:00 a.m.

This is not for garbage. Only metal items will be picked up: white goods (water heaters, stoves, refrigerators, dryers, etc.) No MICROWAVES, TV'S OR COMPUTER MONITORS.

Monitors, TV's or Microwaves may be picked up for a nominal fee. Fees for monitors, TV's and Microwaves are \$5.00 each. Must be paid for before the pick up. Pay at the City Clerks office. Please call the Oklee City Clerk's office the week before the clean-up if you have one of those items to be picked up. Tires will also be picked up for a fee. Contact City Clerk for price. Also needs to be paid for before City will take.

This year the large items will be picked up at your home. Please have them out by 8:00 a.m. in the morning and place items on the boulevard. This is a one-day-only pick-up. If you have any questions, call the Oklee City Clerk's office at 796-5183.

O2-3C

Centennial Recipe Corner

Sweet and Sour Meatballs

Bernice Klenk

2 lbs. hamburger
1 cup milk
Salt and pepper
1 Tbsp. onion, grated
1 cup soda crackers, crunched

Sauce:

1/3 cup vinegar
1 cup catsup
3/4 cup brown sugar
2 Tbsp. onion, minced
Salt and pepper

Mix hamburger, milk, crackers, onion and salt and pepper. Form meatballs about the size of a golf ball. Don't brown. Place in a baking dish, 9" square. Combine sauce ingredients and pour over the meatballs. Bake 1 hour at 350 degrees.



Tri-Valley Public Transportation

To reserve a seat, please call by 3:00 p.m. the day before - 1-800-951-9363. All routes will arrive approximately between 10 and 11 a.m. at the destination. All routes need at least five persons signed up.

Thu, Apr. 7: Bemidji - Crookston, Gentilly, Red Lake Falls, Plummer, Oklee/Brooks, Trail/Gully, Fosston. *Grand Forks* - Thief River Falls.

Fri, Apr. 8: *Thief River Falls/7 Clans Casino* - Crookston, Fertile, Winger, Erskine, Brooks.

Mon, Apr. 11: *Grand Forks* - Fosston, McIntosh, Erskine, Mentor, Crookston. *Bemidji* - Thief River Falls.

Tue, Apr. 12: *Mahnom/Shooting Star Casino* - Crookston, Mentor, Erskine.

Red Lake Falls Library Corner

The library is open on Tuesday from Noon until 7:00 pm, Wednesday from Noon until 7:00 pm, Thursday from Noon to 5:00 p.m.; Friday from Noon until 5:00 pm, and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. On-line patrons are reminded that they can visit www.nwrlib.org/rlf.htm at anytime, where they can create their own patron accounts to browse, request and renew materials all from their home computers

City of Oklee Residents

There will be a planned power outage beginning around midnight on Thursday, April 7, 2016 until around 2 a.m. the following Friday morning for maintenance work.

O2C

OKLEE RummAGE Sale DAY

Sat., May 7, 2016

* Reorganize your storage areas
* Clean out your garage!
* Check your closets and drawers

Contact Sandra Tougas at 796-5084 by May 1st to list your sale and be included on the Community Sale Map. The Hall will also have 3 free spaces - call to reserve your spot.

O2C

Oklee Community Rummage Sale Day

By: Nicole Riendeau

It's that time of the year to clean out the closets and reorganize your storage areas. Oklee Community Rummage Sale Day is planned for Saturday, May 7, 2016. Contact Sandra Tougas at 796-5084 (home) by May 1st to get your sale included on the Community Sale Map. The hall will also have three free spaces. Call today to reserve your spot.

Outstanding Senior Citizen award

The Red Lake County Outstanding Senior Citizen award will be given Friday, June 24th.

Anyone interested in nominating someone should contact Lowell Hamrum at 218-698-4449 or John Lerohl at 218-796-5370.

American Legion Auxiliary meeting

The Oklee American Legion Auxiliary will be hold their meeting on Tuesday, April 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the Senior Site.

DEADLINE
FOR NEWS AND ADS IS FRIDAYS AT 12:00 NOON.
CONTACT THE OKLEE HERALD AT 218-796-5181



MUSTANG STAMPEDE

RLCC Menus

April 11 - 15
Oklee

Mon: Breakfast: Bagels w/ cream cheese, cereal, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Cheesy bread with pizza sauce, lettuce salad, cottage cheese, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Tue: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Pulled pork or BBQ chicken, baked beans, potato salad, fruit, and milk.

Wed: Breakfast: Coffee cake, cereal, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, fried rice, vegetables, fruit, and dipping sauces, and milk.

Thu: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Ribettes, oven browns, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Fri: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Cold subs, chips, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Mon: Breakfast: Yogurt parfaits, cereal, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Lasagna, salad, red-green-yellow peppers, breadsticks, fruit, and milk.

Tue: Breakfast: Scrambled eggs & ham, cereal, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Hamburgers w/bun, sliced cheese, pickles, sweet potato fries, corn, fruit, and milk.

Wed: Breakfast: Apple strudel, cereal, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Salisbury steak patty, whipped potatoes, gravy, green beans, buttered bread or PB bread, fruit, and milk.

Thu: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Chicken fajita soft shell (w/lettuce, tomatoes, cheese), cottage cheese, rice pilaf, apple wedges or orange, and milk.

Fri: Breakfast: Pancakes, cereal, fruit, juice & milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, salad/salad bar, fruit, oatmeal raisin cookie, and milk.

RLC Rebels recognized at Awards Night

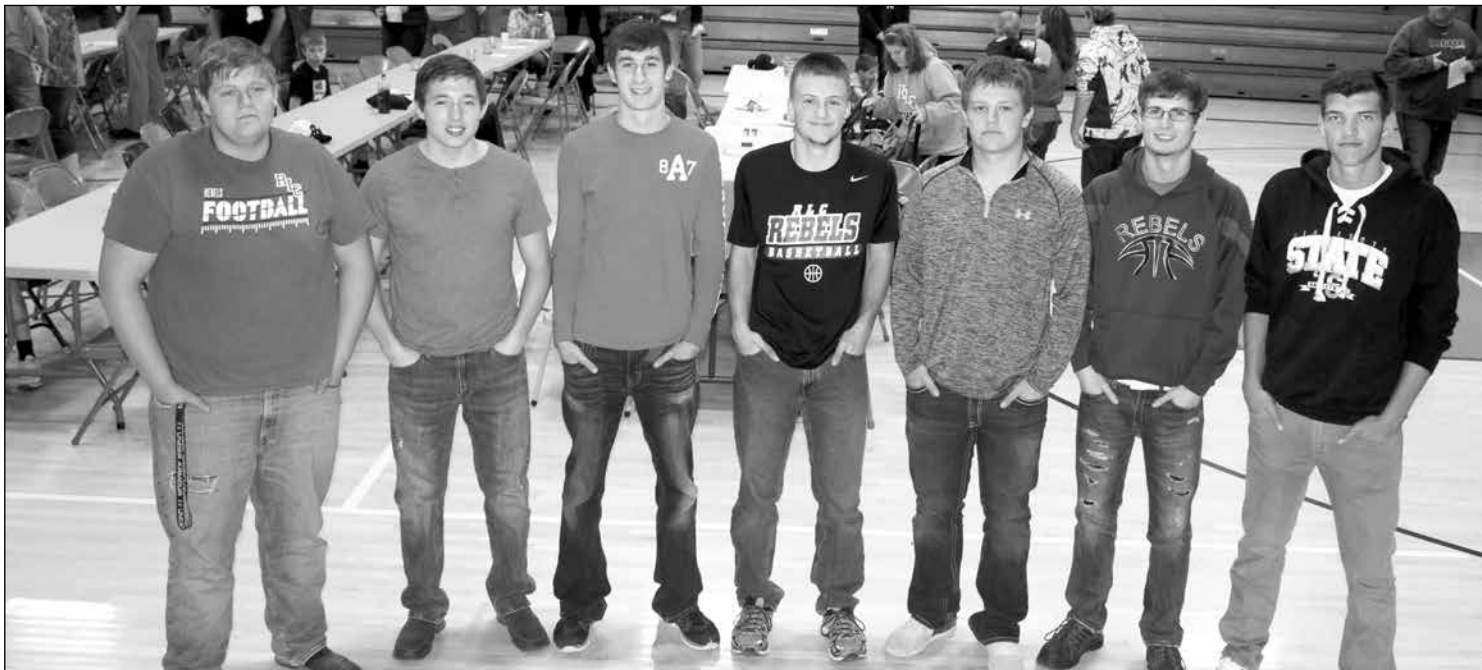
By: Seth Paradis, Katie Pendelton, and Nick Plante

Red Lake County boys' basketball Awards Night was Monday, March 28 in Red Lake Falls. There were many players who received varsity letters and pins. The seniors letter winners included Wyatt Waldal, Austin May, Austin Waliser, Drake Engelstad, Will Duden, Ethan Johnson, Marcus Christensen, and Devin Lambert. There were three juniors receiving letters: Talon Porter, Brandon Lee and Dylan Olsen. Sophomore letter winners were Ethan Vettleson, Matt Vettleson, and Jordan Johnson. There was one freshman, Justin Nemec who received a letter.

Other participants were Nick Plante, and Makay Berns for the juniors, John Renner for the sophomores, and Ben Cardinal, Austin Jensen, Connor Lambert, Hunter Pierson, Dawson Rystad, Adrien Verbout, and Brandon Wiskow for the freshmen.



R and J Broadcasting Star of the Games from RLCC were Austin Waliser, Kelsie Sirjord, Julia Bernstein, Ashley Longtin, and Talon Porter.



Rebel senior basketball players were recognized at the Rebels Awards banquet: Marcus Christensen, Will Duden, Austin Waliser, Devin Lambert, Ethan Johnson, Wyatt Waldal, Drake Engelstad and not pictured Austin May.

Medals were presented to the team captains Will Duden, Drake Engelstad, and Austin Waliser. Perfect attendance medals went to Marcus Christensen, Will Duden, Drake Engelstad, Dylan Olson, John Renner, Ethan Vettleson, and Justin Nemec.

For team awards, the Defensive Player of the Year was Austin May. Most Improved Player was given to Devin Lambert. Best Teammate Award went to Austin Waliser. Most Dedicated/Hardest Worker Awards were given to Drake Engelstad. Buckets and Books Awards were given to Austin Waliser and Will Duden.

Named Academic All-State was Austin Waliser, the only one from Section 8 with 3.5 GPA. Will Duden was selected Honorable Mention Academic All-State. Drake Engelstad earned Minnesota Basketball Coaches Association Senior All-Star Honorable Mention selection. Will Duden received

KRJM Radio Student of the Week award.

Seniors who joined the 1000 Point Club by scoring over 1000 career points were Drake Engelstad with 1778 and Austin Waliser with 1098.

The team played at the Northland Community and Technical College Tournament taking third place. Drake Engelstad was named Northland All-Tournament team.

RLC Rebels were the varsity conference champions. Drake Engelstad, Will Duden, Austin Waliser were named All Conference and Honorable Mention was given to Austin May.

The Rebels set several new team records including the most wins in a season with 19, and least turnovers in a game with only one team turnover in a game against Stephen-Argyle which was a state record and possibly a national record!

Drake Engelstad was recognized for several team

records. He had the most points in a game with 41 against Fisher-Climax, the most points in a season with 653 points, most free throws made in a game with 16, and most double-doubles in a season with 12.

Coaches Randy Huie, Kory Baril, Kevin Philion each received a gift certificate. Randy Huie was named

R&J Broadcasting Star of the Game

By Seth Paradis

Several athletes from Red Lake County Central High School recently received certificates for R & J Broadcasting Star of the Game. For the October 26 RLCC volleyball game against Clearbrook-Gonvick, Julia Bernstein, Kelsie Sirjord, and Ashely Longtin were named Stars of the Game. The February 26 RLCC girls' basketball game against Red Lake Falls was Ashely Longtin.

For the Rebels basketball game against Badger-Greenbush-Middle River on December 10, the Star of the Game was Talon Porter. The Star of the Game for February 18 Rebels boys' basketball against Mahnomen was Austin May. Receiving three certificates for January 28 against Clearbrook Gonvick, February 25 against Fertile-Beltrami, and February 27 against Kittson County Central was Austin Waliser.



Austin Waliser was recognized by the Minnesota Basketball Coaches Association as a 2015-2016 Academic All-State basketball player.

Waliser is selected Academic All-State

By: Ethan Vettleson

Austin Waliser, a senior at Red Lake County Central and a Red Lake County Rebel basketball player, was selected as Academic All-State for boys' basketball by the Minnesota Basketball Coaches Association. There are several requirements for Academic All-State consideration. The boys' basketball head coach must be a member of the Minnesota Basketball Coaches Association and must be the one to nominate. The player must be a senior, a starter, and maintain a 3.5 GPA of higher in an academic core curriculum in his sophomore, junior and first semester of his senior year. The athlete must not have any Minnesota State High School League violations during his career. The athlete also must have impressive stats.

Only 30 recipients in Class A and AA combined were selected for the Academic All-State award. Waliser was the only one from Section 8 to receive this award.

There will also be eight \$250 scholarships selected by random draw from the student athletes who achieve Academic All-State honors. At this time, the recipients have not been announced.

Congratulations to Austin on this honor.

MEET THE RLCC SENIORS

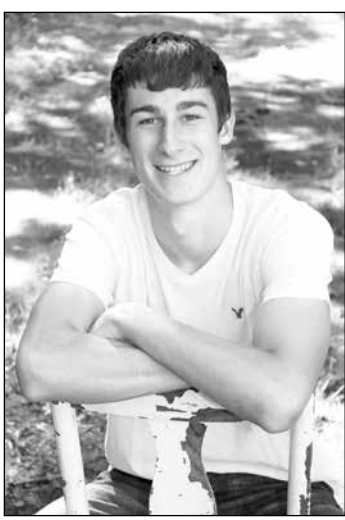


Josef Paradis
Family members: Parents: John and Val. Siblings: Alex and Ariel, niece Andria.
Favorite movie: Smokey and the Bandit I and II
Favorite song/band: "Lucky Man" by Montgomery Gentry
Favorite class: Shop Class
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Trap Shooting
Favorite teacher/coach: Mr. Bernier, Mr. Illies
Most important person in your life: Dad and Mom
Life has rules. What is your personal rule you plan on following in your life: Live in the moment
Best memory from school: Hanging out with friends
Your plans for the Future: Make money and work



Miranda Marie Magnell
Family members: Dennis (dad), Danielle (mom), Brothers: Nathan, Jaren and Nolan Magnell. Sisters: Jenna & Jillian Magnell and Jessica Santana.
Favorite movie: All Disney movies
Favorite song/band: I listen to everything
Favorite class: English and Choir
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Theater and Mr. Swenson
Favorite teacher/coach: Mr. Strutz
Most important person in your life: My mom and my dad cause they have always gone out of their way to give me everything I need in life.
Life has rules. What is your personal rule you plan on following in your life: Always do what makes me happy and never settle.
Best memory from school: When Chase ran over Ben's dirt bike at the pit and having bonfires with my friends.

Your plans for the Future: Move out this summer, get a job, and start college in the fall, majoring in Studio Arts.



Austin Waliser
Family members: Parents: Shane & Amanda Vettleson, Jason and Amy Waliser. Brothers: Logan, Hunter, Ethan. Sisters: Natalie & Peyton.
Favorite movie: The Fast and the Furious movies
Favorite song/band: Jackson 5, Beatles
Favorite class: English, History
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Basketball
Favorite teacher/coach: Coach Steve Philion, Mr. Jim Baron, Mr. Steve Strutz.
Most important person in your life: My Parents
Life has rules. What is your personal rule you plan on following in your life: Be friends with the man in the mirror. He is with you to the end.
Best memory from school: Throwing an egg at Mr. Strutz. I lightly tossed it and dropped in his hands and chest.
Your plans for the Future: Go to NDSU to study business, manage the Timberwolves.



RLC Rebels basketball players receiving special awards were Drake Engelstad (Most dedicated/Hardest Worker), Will Duden (Buckets and Books Award), Devin Lambert (Most Improved), Austin Waliser (Bucket and Books and Best Teammate Awards) and not pictured Austin May (Defensive Player of the Year).



Official City of Oklee Clean-up Order

All yards and outbuildings should be thoroughly cleaned and all trash removed. Owners of vacant lots in the City are responsible for the appearance of their lots. Vacant lots that are not maintained will be mowed by the City and a fee will be charged to the lot owner.

The City of Oklee also prohibits the use of lots for storing and keeping of junked vehicles within the city limits as a public nuisance (junked vehicles are those that are unlicensed and/or missing component parts).

It takes the cooperation of all residents, businesses and lot owners to improve the appearance of our City and to aid in beautifying Oklee.

Red Lake County has a landfill site just north of Oklee. It will open on May 1st and is open on the 2nd & 4th Saturday mornings and Wednesday evenings. This is where you bring items not picked up by regular garbage services. For more information on the Red Lake County Landfills, go to: <http://www.co.red-lake.mn.us/>, click on the Services Tab, then Public Health & Services; and finally on Environmental Services.

If you need extra garbage bags for garbage pickup, you can purchase them at Cenex in Oklee or D & R Grocery for normal tarbage pickups.

The City of Oklee will pick up bagged grass clippings & leaves and branches (6 foot length or less).

If you have any questions, you may call the City Clerk's office at 796-5183.



*It's Our Community!
Let's Make Everyone Proud Of It!*

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ECFE News

There will be no ECFE events scheduled for Thursday, April 7 or April 14.

A "Beach Party Family Fun Night" is planned for Thursday, April 21 at the Oklee site from 6:00 pm-7:30 pm for 0-5 years old. Wear your sunglasses for "Beach Night!" Spend time in the sand, water, and sun! Explore shells, sea life, make hula hoop bubbles, rainbow fish painting, and lots more "beachy" things! Make your own ice cream and get ready to have fun, fun, fun, in the sun!!! Bring your camera to capture sunny photos.

There will be a "Field Trip to the Headwaters Science Center in Bemidji" Thursday, April 28 from 4:30-9:30 pm for 3 ½ -5 year olds and their parents. We will be eating at Giovanni's Pizza and touring

the Science Center. This is an awesome field trip!!! Check it out at www.hscbemidji.org. The bus will be leaving at 4:30 pm from Red Lake Falls School and picking up at Plummer at 4:45 pm and then Oklee families at 5:10 pm. The bus ride will cost \$5.00 per family. Supper at Giovanni's Pizza will be free-will donation and the money will be collected on the bus. Entry to the museum is paid for by a REA Operation Round-up grant.

All families interested in attending this field trip must call in ahead of time by Thursday, April 21st to determine how many pizzas and how many busses will be needed. Red Lake Falls' families should call: Wanda Nelson at 253-2161 ext. 229 or wnelson@rlfedu.org, Plummer families call: Margaret Hamrum at 465-4222 ext. 18 or mhamrum@rlcc.k12.mn.us, and Oklee families call: Joni Bjerklie at 796-5136.

2016 RED LAKE COUNTY ROAD RESTRICTIONS STARTS Concurrent with MN/DOT Limits

The effective dates of road restrictions on all Red Lake County roads will be concurrent with the placement of restrictions on Trunk Highways in the North Central Zone of Minnesota. MNDOT's Road Restrictions announcements are published at www.mrr.dot.state.mn.us click on Seasonal Load Limit Restrictions.

Restriction limits are based on gross axle weights and includes weight of both the vehicle and the load it carries. The erection of signs on any highway governs the effective date of the restriction. As long as signs remain in place, restrictions are in effect. No permit for overweight axle loads exceeding legal or posted axle weights will be issued.

During the period when signs are in place, any county or town road is restricted to 10,000 pounds gross weight per axle. If signs are erected, the restrictions as indicated on the sign shall govern. If no signs are erected, the 10,000 pound gross weight provision shall apply.

The following roads will be allowed the legal 10 ton per axle (Gross Weight):

C.S.A.H. No. 1 From T.H. No. 32 in Red Lake Falls to C.S.A.H. No. 10.
C.S.A.H. No. 2 From C.S.A.H. No. 1 to Pennington County Line (North-South Segment).
C.S.A.H. No. 5 From T.H. No. 222 in Oklee to Pennington County Line.
C.S.A.H. No. 7 From T.H. No. 59 to T.H. 92.
C.S.A.H. No. 8 From Polk County Line to C.S.A.H. 7.
C.S.A.H. No. 9 From C.S.A.H. No. 13 to Pennington County Line.
C.S.A.H. No. 11 From C.S.A.H. No. 33 to Polk County Line.
C.S.A.H. No. 11 From T.H. No. 32 in Red Lake Falls to C.S.A.H. No. 33.
C.S.A.H. No. 12 From Polk County Line to T.H. No. 92.
C.S.A.H. No. 12 From T.H. No. 92 to C.S.A.H. No. 1.
C.S.A.H. No. 13 From T.H. No. 32 in Red Lake Falls to C.S.A.H. No. 9.
C.S.A.H. No. 13 From Polk County Line to C.S.A.H. No. 9.
C.S.A.H. No. 19 From C.S.A.H. No. 13 to T.H. No. 32.
C.S.A.H. No. 33 From C.S.A.H. No. 11 to T.H. No. 32.
C.S.A.H. No. 49 From C.S.A.H. No. 12 to T.H. No. 59.

The following roads will be allowed the legal 9 ton per axle (Gross Weight):

C.S.A.H. No. 6 From C.S.A.H. No. 5 to 6 miles east.
C.S.A.H. No. 10 From C.S.A.H. No. 6 to Pennington County Line
C.S.A.H. No. 22 From T.H. No. 222 in Oklee to the East County Line.
C.S.A.H. No. 51 In Brooks.
C.S.A.H. No. 52 In Plummer.
C.S.A.H. No. 53 In Oklee.
C.S.A.H. No. 54 In Red Lake Falls.

The following roads will be posted to 7 tons per axle (Gross Weight):

C.S.A.H. No. 2 From C.S.A.H. No. 1 to C.S.A.H. 2 North-South (East-West Segment).
C.S.A.H. No. 3 From C.S.A.H. No. 11 to Pennington County Line.
C.S.A.H. No.17 From Polk County Line to C.S.A.H. No. 3.
C.S.A.H. No.18 From C.S.A.H. No. 13 to Polk County Line.

The following County Aid hard surfaced roads will be posted to 5 tons per axle (Gross Weight):

C.A.R. No. 114 From T.H. No. 32 to 1.5 miles east.
C.A.R. No. 119 From C.S.A.H. No. 51 in Brooks to T.H. No. 92.

The following County Aid hard surfaced roads will be posted to 4 tons per axle (Gross Weight):

C.A.R. No. 126 From C.S.A.H. No. 52 in Plummer to 2,000 feet north.

City of Oklee

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city to set up a area for leaves and burning on the south side of the ponds. Grass needs to be planted asap and gravel will need to be brought in for driving in and out. A suggestion by the Mayor for the planting of some trees to block the area was brought up. A gate will need to be installed. Tougas had driven out to where they used to dump leaves for burning and the gate was gone. He will ask to see if it is still around.

The lift station is having a grease build up. More than in the past. The bugs and degreaser we use are not doing it. Team Lab has new bugs that should work better, they are more expensive, but should work better than the degreaser that can damage the cords and coats the floats. And should cut the smell down. So in the long range will cost about the same since we wouldn't be using what we have been using.

Tougas has asked for quotes from two companies to televise and clean the lines but doesn't know the cost yet. Tougas requested the quotes to cover all expenses and also to break down the costs if the city doesn't want to or can't do it all at once.

Tougas also reported that the Hall floor and the hallway on the west end of the building

have been cleaned and waxed. Plans on doing the restaurant and the rest of the hallways but hasn't set up a time yet. A question about replacing Hall tables was asked and yes, 10 tables to start with will be ordered and also have to order batteries for our water systems. Every so many years the batteries go bad. Also asked was why so many tables go missing. Tougas said we try to keep a list of all equipment and who borrows it, but there are too many keys to the building and people borrow them and don't return them.

Tougas reported that the water tower will need cleaning on the outside and repainting. The quote was for \$30,000. If you look at the tower a person can see there are rust spots. The company that did the work inside has offered to come inspect, but the City was not happy with the painting on the inside. Maybe we should have the company picked for the outside work to look at the inside also. Feeling is that a person inspecting their own work is not good.

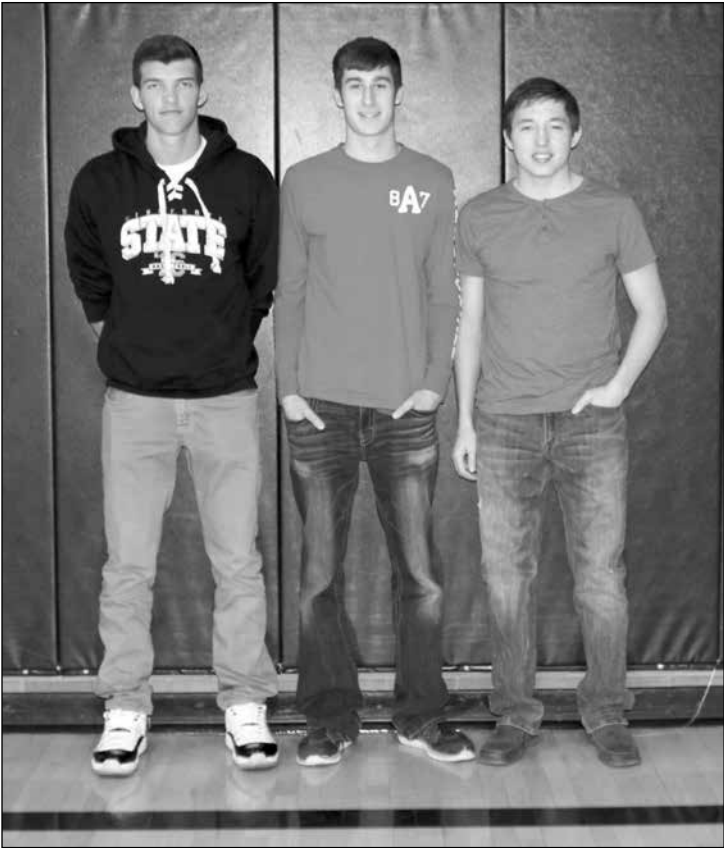
Tougas finished with the facts that he has been getting everything ready for summer.

Next on the agenda was Troy Peterson, about available lots, but he was not present.

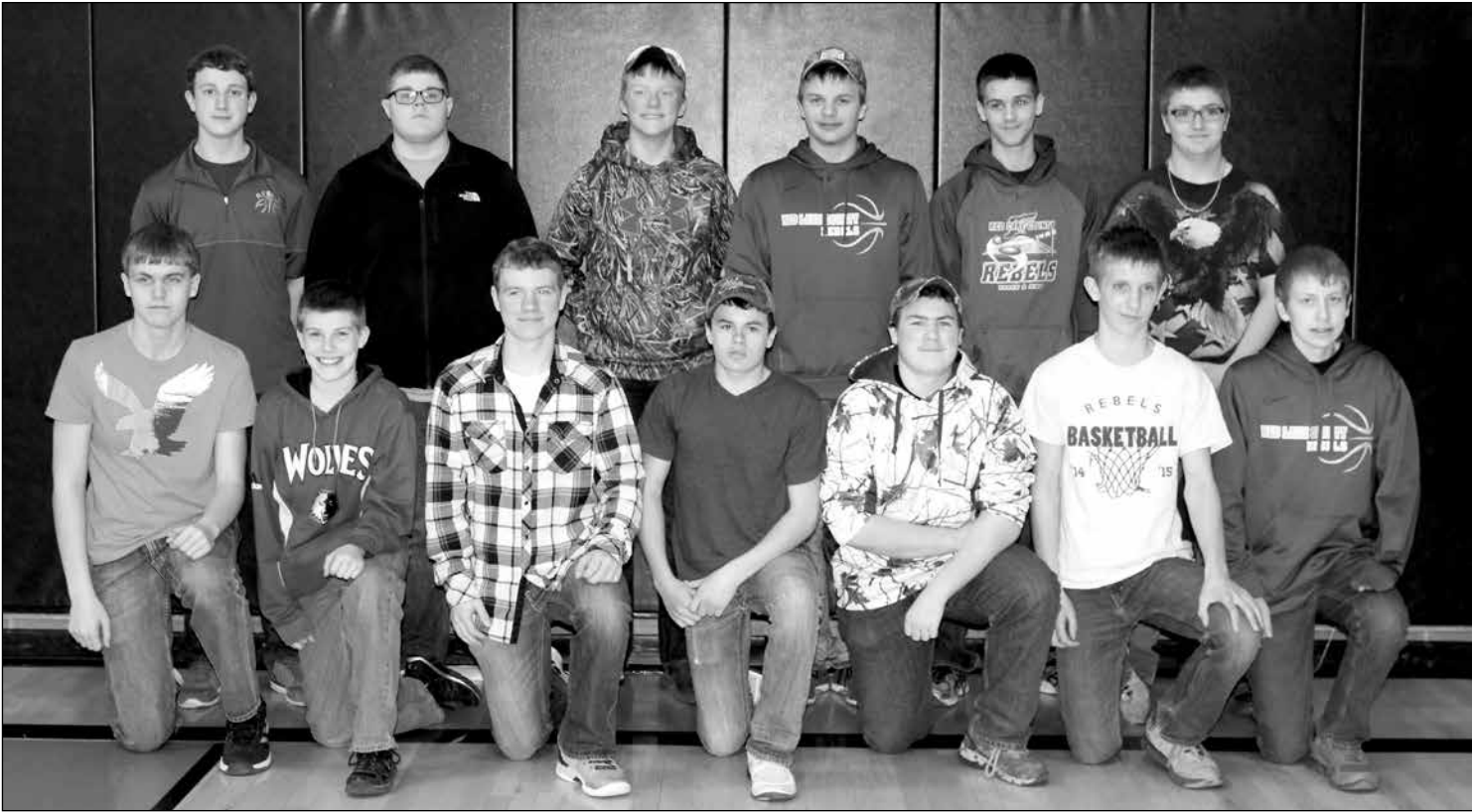
Editors Note: The continuation of the meeting will be in next weeks paper.



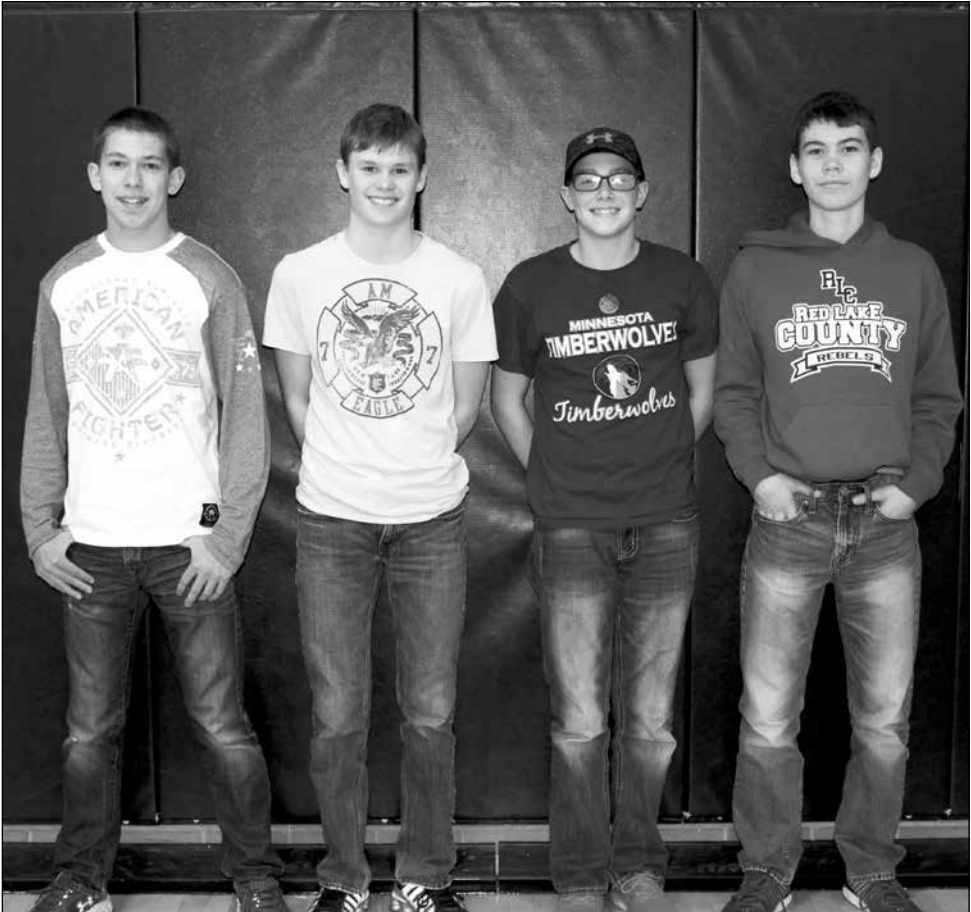
1000 Point Club: Seniors Austin Waliser and Drake Engelstad each received a basketball with their photo and number of career points scored as a RLC Rebel.



Rebels selected All-Conference were Drake Engelstad, Austin Waliser, and Will Duden, and Honorable Mention was Austin May (not pictured).



Red Lake County junior varsity basketball team: (front) Dawson Rystad, Ben Cardinal, Matt Vettleson, Brandon Wiskow, Preston Altendorf, John Renier, Hunter Pierson, (back) Justin Nemec, Makay Berns, Ethan Vettleson, Jordan Johnson, Conner Lambert, and Brandon Lee.



Freshmen boys' basketball players from Red Lake County: Christopher Longtin, Zach Benson, Hayden Cardinal, and Derek Peterson.



RLC Rebels
7th and 8th grade
boys' basketball
players: Brody
Moen, Isaiah
Olson, Brock
Tvedt, Bailey
Hince, Eric
Gieseke, Jake
Duden, Carter
Williams,
and Andrew
Gryskiewicz
(front).



Oklee Herald Early Files

Seventy Years Ago April 11, 1946

Gordon Qualey returned Saturday to his home north of town from a Thief River Falls hospital where he had submitted to an appendectomy.

Jerome H. Berry, seaman first class, son of Mr. and Mrs. L.M. Berry of Oklee, returned here last week, having received his discharge from the Navy in March.

Kenneth Lynch were awarded their Tenderfoot badges at the Boy Scout foot of honor at the Agri-Camporee at Crookston on March 29th.

Sixty Years Ago April 5, 1956

"Lousy" is a word of tremendous utility in this part of the northwest because it can frequently be used to describe the weather.

Four television personalities from WDAY-TV will be featured on the evening portion of Massey-Harris Day her Friday sponsored by Swenson Sales Company.

P.N. Mohn, long-time Trail businessman, who continued to run his hardware store in Trail until his death.

Mrs. Elsie Brown of Headington, England, announces the engagement of her daughter, Cynthia, to Eugene Dessellier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Dessellier of Oklee. A June wedding in England is planned.

Fifty Years Ago April 7, 1966

Heavy ice floes carried by

the swift current of the swollen Lost River, destroyed three bridges between Oklee and Gully over the weekend.

Otton Bakken, manager of the Oklee Creamery since 1928, submitted his resignation to the board of directors at the meeting Friday night.

Olin and Allen Flateland of Brainerd arrived home Saturday to spend their Easter Holiday with their parents, Knute Flateland's.

Forty Years Ago April 1, 1976

A fund raising drive is underway to equip our ambulance so that it meets state requirements.

Sheila Vettleson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vettleson of Trail has been accepted for admission at Northland Community College in Thief River Falls.

The Fast II Project of Oklee High School was a great success. The total amount pledged was \$607. Seventeen persons fasted for the project.

Thirty Years Ago April 2, 1986

Peter's Grocery Easter Contest winners of a stuffed animal were Todd Sather, Krity Sweno, Michelle Trontvedt, and Justin Rystad.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Lillo celebrated their 50th anniversary and an open house on April 5th.

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Solheim of Trail, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Peterson were birthday luncheon guests and to help

Selma celebrate her birthday at the Art Berglund home in Thief River Falls.

Rev. Phillip and Donna (Jensen) Larson are pleased to announce the arrival of a daughter born February 26th.

Twenty Years Ago April 3, 1996

Lars Schue and Talia Vettleson were chosen by the Oklee School to be their senior nominees for the Tandy Technology Scholars and each received a certificate.

The annual Easter Egg Hunt was held this past Sunday with lots of children and parents enjoying the festivities.

Rescue Race winners during the Oklee Snowmobile Olympics on February 24th were Joel Kvasager, Roger Asselin, Charissa Larson, Danny Larson, Steve Morinville, and Craig Morinville.

Ten Years Ago April 6, 2006

The Plummer Lions RLCC Invitational Speech meet was held in Oklee on Saturday.

Kyle Vettleson was named RLCC Senior High School Student of the Month for March.

In the Meet the Seniors, Jessie Hamrum, Kevin Michael Brekke, Kayla Bachand, Danielle Olson, Angela Paquin, and Betsy Winkler were highlighted.

Ferd DeHate retired from his job at Plummer. A great number of people turned out to make his retirement party a huge success.

Senior Site News and Other Things

By Volunteer Iona Berry

Joke

A little girl was asked by Father O'Reilly what she wanted to be when she grew up. She replied, "An acrobatic dancer, Father."

"And what does that entail?" "I can show you if you like Father."

"Please do."

With that the girl performed an impressive series of cartwheels, somersaults and back flips across the church.

Waiting their turn near the confessional were two middle-aged women. One said to the other, "Will you look at the penance Father O'Reilly is giving out tonight and me with no bloomers on!!"

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

With an early Easter we can expect that the weather would turn chillier and it did. Back to the winter coat time. It promises to rain or snow (likely snow) tomorrow then warm up briefly again. It is the old Minnesota adage, if you don't like the weather, wait five minutes. Hope you all are aware of what is happening outside and dress accordingly . Inez Riendeau and Harvey went to Grand Forks with Gene Lenhart and Toni and spent the day eating and shopping. On Saturday they burned the grass on Harvey's farm and did some spring picking up on the yard. Spring clean up is always there to do if you can get at it early enough.

Sandra Gagner reported that Gene Proulx of Mentor went for a check up at the hospital and ended up getting a triple bypass. He was sitting up on Saturday from the report. Pat (Gagner) Proulx is at his bedside. They are still in Arizona and haven't returned home as yet.

Kelsey Paradis and Isabella went to Wahpeton to visit her sister Kasey Maurer and her family over the weekend.

With all the problems we are experiencing with Jerome Novak's chemo, there will be no Red Hats for our group this month. Between rechecks and hospitalizations for the chemo, I am having a hard time to make a date for the gathering.

Red Lake County Extension Educator

Curtis W. Nyegaard - 218-253-2895

Planting Dicamba-Tolerant Soybeans?

Monsanto's "Roundup Ready 2Xtend(TM)" soybean, which is tolerant to both glyphosate and dicamba (BANVEL(TM)), is available for farmers to purchase this spring. While this will eventually offer another option for controlling glyphosate resistant and other tough to control weeds, it also "Brings Up Label and Marketing Concerns" for the growing season.

Label Problems

Dicamba (Banvel) "Is Not" labeled for use on these soybeans at planting or post emergence herbicide applications. It is currently labeled "ONLY" for pre-plant burn down applications and those "REQUIRE A WAIT TIME OF 14 to 30 DAYS" before planting, even if the variety is tolerant. "ANY OTHER APPLICATIONS TO SOYBEAN ARE IN VIOLATION OF FEDERAL AND STATE LAW" and may result in "ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS", and additional liability to the producer for off target movement. Low volatility dicamba formulations for use with tolerant soybeans are still awaiting approval and it's unlikely approval will be granted in time for this growing season.

Marketing Concerns

From a marketing perspective, there are additional concerns. Monsanto announced in February of this year that China will allow imports of the dicamba tolerant soybeans. However, while the glyphosate and dicamba tolerant traits have individually been approved in the European Union, the "STACK" has not. The approval process for the combined traits is in its final stages in the EU and while the company expects a favorable outcome, "IT IS NOT GUARANTEED". This may affect marketing in the fall. Growers should check with their grain handlers to confirm

whether or not they will be purchasing dicamba tolerant soybeans this fall.

Use an Integrated Approach

Due to the uncertainty with the herbicide labeling, growers planning to rely on the dicamba system to control glyphosate resistant weeds might want to look at alternative strategies. Options might include rotating to a different crop or planting a "Liberty Link" variety and applying glufosinate (LIBERTY) to control the

problem weeds. As always, an integrated approach that includes both chemical and non chemical strategies is essential for managing difficult weeds, seed banks and herbicide resistance. For more detailed information on this topic; e mail Jeff Gunsolus, UM Extension Weed Scientist at guns001@umn.edu.

Source: Jeff Gunsolus, UM Extension Weed Scientist and Lisa Behnken, UM Extension Educator.

Oklee Herald Office Hours

This weeks hours:

Thu, April 7 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Fri, April 8 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Mon, April 11 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Oklee Office Phone: 796-5181

Gonvick Office Phone: 218-487-5225

Or by email at either:

okleeherald@gmail.com • richards@gvtel.com



DEADLINE for news & ads:

Noon on Friday

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 five (5) year loan for an amount up to \$20,000 at 2% APR. The business must be located in Red Lake County.

For more information, contact the Red Lake County Economic Development home office at 1-218-253-2897.

Or call David Ste. Marie, Red Lake Falls, 218-698-4279; Mike Spurgin, Red Lake Falls, 218-465-4648 or Leo Olson, Oklee, 218-796-5656.

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Who's Dat?



Who's Dat

This week's photo is of group of gals gathered for a celebration.

Last week's photo is of Eugene Asselin from Oklee and Andrew Opdahl from Trail. They were both in the 1960's Beard Growing Contest for Oklee's 50th Anniversary.



CONGRATULATIONS!

MUSTANGS & REBELS



...RLCC BOYS...

Front Row: Austin May, Wyatt Waldal, Drake Engelstad, Devin Lambert, Ethan Johnson, Will Duden, and Austin Waliser
 Second Row: Coach Steve Philion, Dawson Rystad, Justin Nemec, Makay Berns, Dylan Olsen, Ethan Vettleson, Talon Porter, Jordan Johnson, Connor Lambert, Jonathan Renner, and Coach Randy Huie
 Third Row: Nick Plante, Ben Cardinal, Brandon Wiskow, Matt Vettleson, Brandon Lee, Adrien Verbout, Austin Jensen, Hunter Pierson, and Preston Altendorf

TAKE IT
TO THE
HOOP



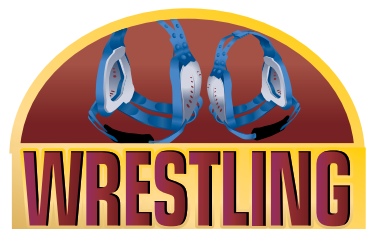
...RLCC GIRLS...

Front Row Left to Right: Katheryne DeHate, Holly Vettleson, Billie Jo Gryskiewicz, Nikki Schmitz, and Morgan Bushelle
 Middle Row Left to Right: Zoe Rusillo, Marie Johnson, Taylor Bushelle, Hanna Kolstoe, Michelle Sundquist, and Jarissa Bailey
 Last Row: Coach Mitch Bernstein, Julia Bernstein, Brandie Jensen, Ashley Longtin, and Coach Mark Bagaason



...WRESTLING...

Front Row Left to Right: Tyler Sandahl, Bryce Bergerson, Tristyn Ferguson, and Dylan Gustafson
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