

Oklee Precipitation
By Einar Kvasager

	Rain
Sept. 24	0.23
Sept. 26	0.21
Sept. 27	0.01
Sept. 28	Trace
Total in.	0.45
September Total	2.90

Oklee Herald

...AND CONTINUING THE PLUMMER PIONEER

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Mayor George Burthwick and Matthew Genova holding the new City of Oklee flag at a ceremony that was held on Friday, September 30th.

Oklee dedicates City of Oklee Flag

On Friday, September 30th, in the morning, a ceremony was held at the southwest corner of RLCC School property near the Welcome to Oklee sign. The occasion was to dedicate the new City of Oklee flag.

This project began over a year ago, with Matthew Genova, who moved to Oklee a number of years ago. Many cities around the world have city/town flags and Genova thought it was important for community pride. So he embarked on a campaign to make this happen.

Genova talked to the City Council, the RLCC School board, and others. He opened a bank account at Security State Bank for donations and has set out cans for donations at local businesses. Donations are still being accepted at Security State Bank for the replacement of flags as needed.

Genova's original plan was to have the RLCC High School art class design the flag, but it didn't pan out. Not to be deterred, Genova looked for a graphic artist and found Courtney Salo.

Courtney Salo designed a number of flags for Genova to look at. Genova showed the designs to a number of folks and one stood out, which became the final design.

Genova again went to the City of Oklee and the Oklee School Board lining things up, and on September 30th, after the flags and pole were installed, a ceremony was held.

Many people from the community attended along with American Legion Post 159, the Honor students from RLCC High School and the Mayor of Oklee, George Burthwick.

And of course, the designer, Courtney Salo was invited and she was also present.



Flag designer, Courtney Salo and Matthew Genova after the ceremony, with the new City of Oklee flag.

Matthew also invited the two churches in Oklee, however, Father Adam Hamness from St. Frances Xavier Catholic Church was unable to attend. But he had blessed the flags the day before.

On the day of the ceremony, Pastor Margaret Jacobus, from Oklee Lutheran Parish, was present and also blessed the flag before it was lifted into the air by three members of original families that settled

in Oklee, Cliff Melby, Harold Cyr and Earl Swenson.

During the writing of this article you have heard the reference to two (2) flags.

Yes, there are two flags. The one that was dedicated on Friday at the corner by the school/veteran's park and there was another installed along with the United State flag outside of the Oklee Municipal Building, downtown Oklee.

By Bonny Cote



Many families settled in Oklee and three members of original settlers families were asked to participate in the raising of the new City of Oklee flag, Cliff Melby, Harold Cyr, and Earl Swenson.

Fall is deadliest time for pedestrians

MnDOT urges motorist, pedestrian safety

As the days get shorter and the nights longer this time of year, motorists and pedestrians should watch out for one another, according to the Minnesota Department of Transportation. The fall months are the deadliest months for pedestrians.

So far this year, 37 pedestrians were killed. In 2015, 41 pedestrians were killed and 904 were injured, compared to 17 deaths and 837 injuries in 2014.

"With more hours of darkness in the fall, pedestrians are more difficult to see," said Jay Hietpas, MnDOT state traffic engineer. "Motorists and pedestrians are equally at fault when we look at our crash data. That means that both groups need to know and obey the laws."

The crosswalk law includes these highlights:

- Motorists should stop for crossing pedestrians at marked crosswalks and at all intersections without crosswalks or stop lights.

- Pedestrians should obey traffic signs and signals at all intersections that have them.

- Vehicles stopped for pedestrians can proceed once the pedestrian has completely crossed the lane in front of the stopped vehicle.

- Pedestrians shouldn't enter a crosswalk if a vehicle is approaching and it is impossible for the driver to stop. There is no defined distance that a pedestrian should abide by before entering the crosswalk; common sense should be used.

- When a vehicle is stopped at an intersection to allow pedestrians to cross, drivers of other vehicles approaching from the rear should not pass the stopped vehicle.

For the full crosswalk law, go to: www.mndot.gov/sharetheroad/ped/crosswalklaw.html.

Because the sun rises later and sets earlier, there are more pedestrians before and after daylight hours, increasing the risk of crashes. Children are going to or getting out of school or walking to their bus stop, and adults are walking to or from home or work.

About one-third of pedestrian crashes happen during the weekday rush hour driving time, defined as 6 to 9 a.m. and 3 to 6 p.m. One out of every four pedestrian fatal crashes occurred between the hours of 9 p.m. and 3 a.m.

Male pedestrians are more likely than females to be killed or injured. Males accounted for 68 percent of all pedestrian fatalities and 53 percent of all injuries in 2015. The most cited contributing factors to all pedestrian crashes is driver failure to yield right of way and driver distraction or inattention.



Pastor Margaret Jacobus, from Oklee Lutheran Parish, blessing the City of Oklee flag.

The flag's design is based from the Norwegian and French/Canadian settlers that came to this area to homestead, with the Norwegian flag and the Fleur-de-lis to represent the French/Canadian ancestry. The center emblem highlights that this community is based in farming with the City of Oklee and the year the City of Oklee was established, 1910.

Red Lake County Central Homecoming



RLCC 2016 Homecoming Queen Taylor Bushelle and King Kyle Gagner. Homecoming Court: (row 2) Makay Berns, Angel Auman, (row 3) Megan Berberich, Alec Castaneda, (row 4) Shelby Gunderson, Natalie Aakhus, (row 5) Nick Plante, Austin Erlandson.



RLCC Homecoming Attendants: (front) Princess Allison Aakhus and Prince Connor Lambert, (row 2) Adrian Verbout, Jayden Fore, (row 3) Calyssa Eskeli, Chris Longtin, Derek Peterson, Marie Johnson, (row 4) Seth Paradis, Sydney Melby, Sydnie Gunderson, Ethan Vettleson.

National 4-H Week

4-H Pledge: I Pledge My Head to clearer thinking, My Heart to greater loyalty, My Hands to larger service, and My Health to better living; for my family, my club, my community, my country, and my world.

More than 6 million young people across the country today will be celebrating National 4-H Week, which takes place annually during the first full week of October. Red Lake County 4-H leverages National 4-H Week to celebrate the great things that the 4-H youth development program offers young people and highlights the incredible 4-H young people who each day work to a make a positive impact on their community.

Research has proven that participation in 4-H has a significant positive impact on young people. Recent findings from the Tufts University 4-H Study of Positive Youth Development indicate that, when compared to their peers, young people in 4-H are:

- Nearly 4 times more likely to contribute to their communities,

- Two times more likely to pursue healthy behaviors like, and

- Two times more likely to engage in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programs in the out-of-school time.

4-H Has Something For Everyone!

Science, Engineering & Technology - Citizenship & Leadership - Healthy Living - Animal Science -

Expressive Arts & Communication - Gardening & Agriculture - Shooting Sports & Wildlife - Environmental & Earth Science - Family & Consumer Science.

4-H Youth learn collaboration, community service, public speaking, and how to develop and reach life and career goals. Whether they are building rockets, raising dairy cows, or writing musicals, 4-H gives youth the skills they need to succeed if life.

Learn more about 4-H at www.4-H.org, find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/4-H and on Twitter at <https://twitter.com/4H>.

We would like you to be a part of this great educational program. Join today! Call the Red Lake County Extension Office at 218-253-2897 or 1-800-770-1244. Find out how you can be involved in supporting 4-H.



Grand ribbon winner Shelby Gunderson.



Grand Ribbon winner in Rabbit - Ryan Tvedt.

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH

Zion and Salem
Pastor Margaret Jacobus
Wed, Oct. 5: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Classes at Zion. 7:00 p.m. Zion Bazaar (5:30 p.m. Pie & BBQ). 7:00 p.m. Salem WELCA.
Sun, Oct. 9: 9:00 a.m. Zion. 9:00 a.m. SS at Salem. 10:15 a.m. SS at Zion. 10:30 p.m.
Mon, Oct. 10: 9:00 a.m. Quilting at Zion. 7:00 p.m. Zion Board meeting.
Tue, Oct. 11: 7:00 p.m. Salem Board meeting.
Wed, Oct. 12: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Classes at Zion.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH OKLEE

Fr. Adam Hamness
Sun, Oct. 9: 7:30 a.m. Confessions 8:00 a.m. Mass.

BROOKS - RED LAKE FALLS

CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bill DeCrans
Sat, Oct. 8: 5:30 p.m. RLF
Sun, Oct. 9: 8:00 a.m. Brooks. 10:00 a.m. RLF.

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA

Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Wed, Oct. 5: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation.
Sun, Oct. 9: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School at Immanuel. 10:30 a.m. Worship Immanuel. 6:00 p.m. Bible Study at Ebenezer. 7:00 a.m. Worship Ebenezer. 8:00 p.m. Joint Council at Ebenezer.
Wed, Oct. 12: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA

Bethany-Ekelund-Faith Interim Pastor Phil Johnson
Wed, Oct. 5: Release Time. 6:30 p.m. Faith WELCA. 7:00 p.m. Confirmation.
Sat, Oct. 8: 8:30 a.m. WELCA Conference II gathering.
Sun, Oct. 9: 8:30 a.m. Ekelund, 9:45 a.m. SS; 9:45 a.m. Faith, SS 11:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m. Bethany 9:45 a.m. SS.
Mon, Oct. 10: 9:30 a.m. Rachel Circle.
Tue, Oct. 11: 6:30 p.m. Shalom Circle.
Wed, Oct. 12: Release Time. 4:45 p.m. Confirmation at Northland Rescue Mission GF.

Women of the ELCA Conference 2 Fall Gathering

Conference Two (formerly Cluster 2) Women of the ELCA Fall Gathering will on Saturday, October 8, 2016 at Faith Lutheran Church, Goodridge, Minnesota. Registration is from 8:30:9:00 a.m. with morning coffee. Program begins at 9:00 a.m. Cost is \$8.00 for registration per person. This includes morning coffee and noon lunch. A morning of fellowship and inspiration has been planned. Geneva Paulson from Eagle Bend, Minnesota, author of "Rescuing Randy" is rescheduled as our main speaker. She has a very touching story to tell us about her son getting involved in a religious cult. A presentation will be made by the ladies from Oklee Quilting Supply. They will come with some delightful ideas. There will also be some special musical selections. We look forward to seeing you at our Fall Conference Gathering on October 8. Everyone is welcome.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH

Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed, Oct. 5: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.
Sat, Oct. 8: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, Oct. 9: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. St. Petri SS. 8:30 a.m. Oak Park SS. 9:45 a.m. Oak Park. 10:00 a.m. Nazareth SS, 11:00 Nazareth. 3:00 p.m. Kids Harvest Festival.
Wed, Oct. 12: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH

Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Oct. 5: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Thu, Oct. 6: 12:00 p.m. Rotary.
Sun, Oct. 9: 9:30 a.m. Worship.
Tues, Oct. 11: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Quilting.
Wed, Oct. 12: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH

Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, Oct. 9: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 a.m. Bethany.
Wed, Oct. 12: 2:00 p.m. Lund WELCA.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston

Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sun, Oct. 9: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

WIC Schedule

The Women, Infants and Children's Supplemental Nutrition Education Program (WIC) is being held the month of October 2016. Infants, children up to the age of 5, and women who are pregnant or breastfeeding may be eligible for the program. We are very interested in enrolling pregnant women in the program. We feel that the prenatal nutrition is a vital part of producing a healthy baby. Therefore, it is important to apply for WIC early in your pregnancy. We need no proof of pregnancy.
Schedule for October:
Thu, Oct. 6: Red Lake Falls Community Center
Mon, Oct. 10: Thief River Falls Redeemer Lutheran Church
Tue, Oct. 11: TRF Redeemer Lutheran Church
Wed, Oct. 12: TRF Redeemer Lutheran Church
Thu, Oct. 13: TRF Redeemer Lutheran Church
Fri, Oct. 14: TRF Redeemer Lutheran Church
Tue, Oct. 25: Oklee Inter-County Community Council (ICCC).
For further information concerning the WIC program, call or write WIC Quin, PO Box 248, Newfolden, MN 56738, phone 874-7845 or 1-800-223-1591, or e-mail at quinchs@wiktel.com.
North Valley Home Health will offer immunizations, dental varnishing & blood lead testing at the Newfolden and Warren clinics from 9 to 11 am. Arrangements should be made prior to clinics by contacting North Valley Public Health. For information contact at 218-745-5154 or 1-800-950-6986.

Oklee Senior Site Dining

October 10 - 14
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. A \$4.00 per meal donation is suggested.

Monday: BBQ on bun, tator tots, vegetable, and dessert.

Tuesday: Egg salad sandwich, chicken noodle soup, and dessert.

Wednesday: Pulled pork/ bun, macaroni salad, vegetable, and dessert.

Thursday: Taco on fried bread with all the trimmings, and dessert.

Friday: Chicken drummies, hash browns, coleslaw, toast, and dessert.

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Centennial Recipe Corner

Buttermilk Doughnuts

Anna Kriel

2 cups white sugar
5 Tbsp. vegetable oil
3 eggs
1 tsp vanilla
1 tsp nutmeg
1 tsp salt
1 tsp baking powder
2 tsp baking soda
2 cups buttermilk
6 cups flour

Mix in the order listed. Use a doughnut dropper and fry in hot oil.

"Grandma Anna always used hot lard to fry hers and they were wonderful".



Red Lake County Commissioners Minutes

RED LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION MEETING HELD JUNE 15, 2016

Pursuant to law, the Red Lake County Board of Appeal and Equalization duly met on June 15, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at the courthouse in Red Lake Falls. Members present: Commissioners Dave Sorensen, Ron Weiss, John Lerohl, Charles Simpson, Chuck Flage & County Auditor Robert Schmitz. Also present: Nancy Amberson, County Assessor. Property owner Richard Hangslaben was also in attendance. The oath of office was administered to the members. Commissioner Sorensen nominated Simpson as Chair and seconded by Commissioner Weiss. Simpson was voted in as Chair. Commissioner Lerohl nominated Flage for Vice-Chair and seconded by Commissioner Sorensen. Commissioner Flage was voted in as Vice-Chair. Commissioner Flage nominated Robert Schmitz as clerk with nomination seconded by Commissioner Weiss. Robert Schmitz was voted in as Clerk. All motions were unanimously carried.

County Assessor Amberson presented to the board an overview of the 2016 proposed values and other pertinent information regarding sales and values for the 2016 assessment. At 6:45 p.m. property owner Richard Hangslaben presented his request to have his 160 acre tract of land (NE 1/4 of 27.152.42) lowered to \$250,000. His original value was set at \$286,200.

Following discussion Commissioner Lerohl moved that the value remain at \$286,200 with Auditor Schmitz seconding the motion. Motion unanimously carried. Commissioner Flage moved, seconded by Commissioner Weiss and unanimously carried to accept the 2016 values as presented.

There being no further business to be brought before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m. sine die.

Attest

Robert Schmitz, County Auditor

Charles Simpson, Chair

O28C

RED LAKE COUNTY Regular Meeting Held June 28, 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 June 28, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. Chair Simpson called the meeting to order. All members were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Commissioner Flage moved, seconded by Sorensen and carried unanimously to approve the agenda. Residents Clem and Mary Ann Benoit were in attendance, on behalf of Betty Ann Benoit, to donate an oil painting to the county. The painting is called "Confluence of the Red Lake and Clearwater Rivers" and is a picture of where the two rivers meet in Red Lake Falls, known today as "The Point". The painting, completed by Betty in 2002, was on behalf of her cousins and in memory of her Aunt Georgianna Benoit and her stepmother Annie Boutain. It was explained that Betty Ann felt the courthouse was an appropriate and a secure place to display for future generations. Chairman Simpson accepted the donation and expressed his gratitude on behalf of the County Board of Commissioners. County Engineer Kleven was present to update on the RRBC Workgroup meeting in Crookston discussing boat access/landing sites along Clearwater and Red Lake Rivers. Kleven distributed the 2015 Highway Department annual report. Kleven also presented the final contract (Contract 2016-1) for the bituminous overlay project that was approved at the prior meeting, and requested signatures of the Board Chair and Auditor. Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Lerohl and unanimously carried to approve the expenditures for the period as follows:

Vendor Name Amount
Pemberton, Sorlie, Ruffer & Kershner \$12,799.60

County Fair Board meeting and completed setup for the fair events. Simpson

None. The board acknowledged the City of Oklee annual tax increment report regarding the Freedom Living Center, and a letter from NW HRA regarding reducing the fee from \$1,200.00 to \$750.00 per year, due to fewer contracts, for administering the County Rehab Grants Fund program.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned until July 12, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

Attest:

Robert Schmitz,

County Auditor

Chuck Simpson, Chair,

Board of Commissioners

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(U.S.P.S. 407-240)

Red Lake County SWCD

13,213.00

23 Payments less than 2,000

6,931.21

Final Total \$32,943.81

The motion includes the following added bills: \$93.90 to AT&T; \$1,500.00 to DS Solutions; \$1,369.51 to Government Forms & Supplies; \$438.34 to Penny Grove; \$3,782.84 to Next Chapter Technology; \$177.94 to Quill; \$82.66 to Uline; \$18,202.02 to University of MN Extension Service.

Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Weiss and carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held June 14, 2016 and Board of Equalization held June 15, 2016.

Myron Jesme, Administrator of Red Lake Watershed and County Appointee Alan Page were present to review the annual report and to update on activities of the watershed. Jesme reported that repair has begun on three soil erosion dams built in the early 1970's. Two of the dams are located in Red Lake County; the Miller Dam and Latendresse Dam. Jesme discussed the 1W1P study. The plan process is slow and funding is currently depleted, but alternative funding sources are being sought. The 1W1P concept is very comprehensive and covers all entities, incorporating the various programs of the RLWD, SWCD and the counties. The plan will be used to streamline partnerships and allow for better information in applying for grants and will be used to assist in enforcement issues. A committee has been formed to discuss methods for current funding and to develop annual funding mechanisms for the future.

Jesme reported that the DNR has installed a new structure and lowered the elevation level at the Goose Lake Marsh in Wylie Township. The DNR is currently creating a better operating plan to allow for draw down and to address cattail management. A landowner informational meeting is being held later in the day. Jesme informed that RLWD has received a second place award for the Grand Marais Creek, a 6.2 million habitat project located 7 miles NE of Grand Forks, and that the Board of Water & Soil Resources will conduct a guided tour of the Huot Park and Grand Marais project on August 24, 2016.

The following commissioner/committee reports were shared:

Commissioner

Meeting

Weiss

Attended Area Agency on Aging/

Land of Dancing Sky meeting in

Moorhead discussing the various

programs in the 21 counties of the 3

regions, and also reviewed the status

of the aging population.

Flage

Attended a RRBC meeting in Crook-

ston on developing Red Lake and

Clearwater River boat access/land-

ing sites.

Sorensen

NW Apartments Board meeting in

Crookston discussing remodel plans

for the facility; NW Mental Health

Center reviewing financials and pro-

gram reports.

Lerohl

County Fair Board meeting and com-

pleted setup for the fair events.

Simpson

None.

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the meeting was adjourned until July

12, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

Attest:

Robert Schmitz,

County Auditor

Chuck Simpson, Chair,

Board of Commissioners

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Christopher Columbus- A Great Explorer

The Security State Bank will be CLOSED on Monday, October 10 in observance of Columbus Day.

Security STATE BANK

PO Box 69
Oklee, MN 56742

Phone
218-796-5157

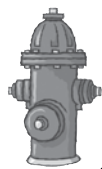
FDIC

Christopher Columbus is famous for his discovery of America in 1492. When Columbus stepped ashore he was amazed by all the new plants he found.

He returned to Europe with corn, potatoes, tomatoes, chocolate, vanilla, strawberries, pineapples, squash, pumpkins, peppers, beans, peanuts and cashews. In honor of Christopher Columbus, we observe Columbus Day the second Monday in October.

City of Oklee Notice

City of Oklee will be flushing the hydrants on Oct. 6th or 7th.



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.

Wed, Oct. 5- Fargo/ Moorhead - Crookston. Crookston - Thief River Falls, Plummer, Red Lake Falls.

Thu, Oct. 6: Fargo/ Moorhead - Thief River Falls, St. Hilaire.

**** October 7th: 2016 Fall Foliage Tour -** Take a tour on the Tri-Valley Bus to Itasca State Park to see all the fall foliage. The bus will be in Itasca from 10am to 12pm. After tour the bus will stop in Park Rapids for lunch. Call 1-800-201-3432 to set up your ride!

Mon, Oct. 10: Grand Forks - Fosston, McIntosh, Erskine, Mentor, Crookston.

Tue, Oct. 11: Mahnomen/ Shooting Star Casino - Crookston, Mentor, Erskine.

Sudoku Solution

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

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RLCC Menus

October 10 - 14

Oklee

Mon: Breakfast: Muffin, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** BBQ's, baked beans, potato salad or chips, fruit, and milk.

Tue: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, lettuce salad, carrots & celery sticks, fruit, and milk.

Wed: Breakfast: Breakfast wraps, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Ham patty, tots, vegetable, fruit, and milk.

Thu: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken strips, au gratin potatoes, vegetable, fruit and milk.

Fri: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Chef salad, bread sticks, yogurt, cottage cheese, fruit and milk.

Plummer

Mon: Breakfast: Egg, sausage & ches biscuit, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Seasoned shredded pork/bun, Sun Chips, veggies & ranch, cookie, fruit, and milk.

Tue: Breakfast: Apple strudel, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Tacos (lettuce, cheese, tomatoes), hash browns, steamy rice, cinnamon churro, fruit, and milk.

Wed: Breakfast: Yogurt parfaits, Nutri Grain bar, cereal, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes, gravy, baked beans, plain or buttered bread, fruit and milk.

Thu: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Sweet & sour chicken, fried rice, broccoli Normandy, apples, breadstick, fruit, and milk.

Fri: Breakfast: Cinnamon coffee cake, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, salad (K-2), salad bar (3-6), PB sandwich, fruit, and milk.



RLCC Sports Schedules

RLC Rebels

Football

Varsity

Fri, Oct. 7: Fertile-Beltrami in *Oklee* at 7:00 p.m.

Fri, Oct. 14: BGMR in *RLF* at 7:00 p.m.

Thu, Oct. 20: Lake park-Aud. At *FargoDome* at 1:15 p.m.

Tues, Oct. 25: Section Quarterfinals-High Seed-7:00 p.m.

Sat, Oct. 29: Section Semifinals-High Seed-TBA

Thu, Nov. 3: Section Finals at *FargoDome*-TBA

Junior High (7th-8th)
Thu, Oct. 13: NCE-UH in *Plummer* at 4:30/5:30 p.m.

Mon, Oct. 17: Polk County West-1 game-Away-4:30 p.m.

RLCC Girls Volleyball

Thu, Sept. 29: Against Roseau in *Roseau* at 5:00 p.m.

Mon, Oct. 3: Against Bagley in *Oklee* at 5:00 p.m.

Thu, Oct. 6: Against Clearbrook-Gonvick in *Oklee* at 5:00 p.m.

Sat, Oct. 8: Mahnomen Tournament in *Mahnomen*-TBD

Mon, Oct. 10: Against Kittson County Central in *KCC* at 5:00 p.m.

Mon, Oct. 17: Against Fertile-Beltrami in *Plummer* at 5:00 p.m.

Tues, Oct. 18: Against Warren-Alvarado-Aslo in *Plummer* at 5:00 p.m.

Mon, Oct. 24: Pig Tail game at *HighSeed* 7:00 p.m.

Thu, Oct. 27: Play in Game at *High Seed* at 7:00 p.m.

Mon, Oct. 31: Section ¼ at *NCTC*-TBD

Tues, Nov. 1: Section Semi's in *Bagley*-TBD

Wednesday, October 5, 2016



RLCC 6th graders watch the old time threshing machine at the Threshing Bee held September 22 at Plummer.

RLCC Hosts Junior High Volleyball

Triangular Oct. 10

By: Julia Bernstein

Red Lake County Central's Junior High volleyball will be hosting a volleyball triangular Monday, October 10 at the high school in Oklee. Scheduled game times follow. (Game times are "best-guess" estimates.)

3:30 pm: WEM 7 vs. RLCC 7

4:15 pm: WEM 7 vs. RLF 7

5:00 pm: RLF 7 vs. RLCC 7

5:45 pm: WEM 8 vs. RLCC 8

6:30 pm: WEM 8 vs. RLF 8

7:15 pm: RLF 8 vs. RLCC 8

All sets within the match will be played rally point to 15. The match is over with the first team to win two sets. Warm-up times TDB by coaches prior to the games, keeping in mind that want to get people on the road again as early as possible that evening. Concessions will be available starting at 3:30 pm and running through the end of the triangular. No awards or trophies will be awarded.

RLCC H.S. Mid-quarter is Oct. 5

By: Marie Johnson

Red Lake County Central High School's first quarter mid-quarter is coming up on Wednesday, October 5. Mid-quarter reports will be sent home Thursday, October 6 with high school students. Parents should be watching for mid-quarter reports.

Time change for October 20 RLC football game

By: Sarah Christensen

The Red Lake County football game scheduled for Thursday, October 20 at the Fargo Dome has a time change. The game against Lake Park Audubon will begin at **11:00 am** instead of 1:00 pm. The ending time is 1:00 pm which previously was 3:00 pm.

This Rebel versus Raiders game will be take place at the Fargo Dome in Fargo, North Dakota. Come out and show your support for the Rebels since this game will be held during the Education Minnesota break.

RLCC Day of Caring is coming October 19

By: Julia Bernstein

Falls is here which means Red Lake County Central High School will be holding their 12th annual Day of Caring on Wed, Oct. 19th. RLCC students and staff members will be helping out the community with fall cleaning projects. The students will be separated into groups and travel to Brooks, Oklee, and Plummer for jobs such as yard clean up, pruning, weeding flower beds, raking, tilling, window cleaning, etc. The students will work on the community projects in the morning before returning back to the RLCC High School in the early afternoon.

If you know of any elderly, disabled, or community members who are unable to do their fall clean up, let them know we can be of assistance to them. Call the RLCC High School in Oklee at 796-5136 to ask for assistance on your project. Applications for projects can also be obtained by stopping at the high school in Oklee or on the school website at www.rlcc2906.org. You may mail requests to Day of Caring, RLCC High School, PO Box 100, Oklee MN 56742 or by emailing Mrs. Cote at bcote@rlcc.k12.mn.us or Mrs. Gunderson at sgunderson@rlcc.k12.mn.us.

The deadline for application requests is Thursday, October 13th.



Goodridge and RLCC students attended the threshing bee held by the Tri-River Pioneers.



At the Threshing Bee, Goodwin Kvasager and Einer Kvasager grind wheat using a gas engine machine.



Ashley Longtin spiking the ball during the Mustangs win over RLF Eagles.

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Bernstein had 11 kills and three aces. Megan Berberich had 14 assists and one ace. Calyssa Eskeli had 13 assists and two aces.

RLCC Volleyball loses to Roseau

By: Sarah Christensen

Red Lake County Central volleyball played at Roseau on September 29, 2016. RLCC lost in three sets. The scores were 16-25, 13-25, and 16-25.

Girls from RLCC with highlights include Ashley Longtin with five kills and Julia Bernstein two kills. Megan Berberich had five assists.

Rebels Junior High Play Greyhounds

The Red Lake County Rebel junior high football teams would travel to Fosston September 29th for a double-header of football.

The seventh grade game was a defensive struggle. Both teams had very little scoring offense. The Rebel defense would come up big time after time and hold the Greyhounds scoreless. In the end the game would come to a 0-0 final tie.

"Defensively we played well. We still need to work on blocking but we will keep plugging away at it," stated Coach Jason Kenfield.

In the 8th grade game a couple of turnovers did the Rebels in. Two turnovers would lead to scores and the Rebels would find themselves in a 24-0 hole.

Zak Kennett would get the Rebels on the scoreboard with a 50 yard run in the third quarter but the Rebels would fall 24-8.

"We just have to keep working to get better", added Coach Kenfield.

Both junior high teams return to action on Tuesday, October 4th when they travel to Fertile.

Wolves defeat Rebels

Red Lake County would host the Walker-Hackensack-Akeley Wolves in football on Friday, September 9th. The Rebels would come out on the short end of a 38-14 game and fall to 0-2 on the season.

W-H-A would open the game with a 77 yard drive finished off with a 33 yard touchdown run to take a 7-0 lead. The game would go back and forth with no scoring for the next 12 minutes.

RLC would get on the scoreboard midway through the second period. A 48 yard pass from Brandon Klipping to Talon Porter would set up a 1 yard Matt Vetteson run and the Rebels would trail 7-6.

RLC would get the ball back with 4:00 left at midfield when trouble would start. After a fumble, the Wolves would take 3 plays to score on a 47 yard pass and take a 14-6 lead.

Just before half, after and RLC interception, W-H-A would make a 24 yard field goal and take a 17-6 lead into the intermission.

The turnovers would plague RLC again in the third quarter leading to 14 Wolves points on short drives of 25 and 48 yards. The mistakes would do in the Rebels in the loss.

Matt Vetteson would lead the offense with 118 rush yards, while Connor Lambert would chip in 39 yards and a late touchdown. Porter would add 2 receptions for 57 yards while Klipping completed 3 of 9 passes for 60 yards.

"We can't turn the ball over 5 times and have a bad punt and expect to win. 0-2 isn't where we should be but we are. We can either hang our heads or regroup and try to get better next week," stated Coach Remick.



Nikki Schmitz passing the ball to a RLCC teammate in the Mustangs versus RLF Eagles game.

Oklee Herald Early Files

Seventy Years Ago
October 10, 1946
Proud to announce the opening of their new store, Soyde & Son on Friday, October 11th. A formal grand opening will be held at a later date.

Commander T.A. Torgerson left Friday for New York after a few days visit here with his parents. Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Torgerson.

Harry Shetterly, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Shetterly of Oklee and Miss Lorraine Parsley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Parsley of Brooks were married at the Lutheran Parsonage in Oklee.

Sixty Years Ago
October 11, 1956

Weather conditions in Minnesota continued ideal for harvesting late crops during the past week, but there remains considerable acreage of flax to be harvested.

Homecoming Queen is Emlie Flatgaard and her attendants were Alice Turgeon and Sharon Johnson.

Kiddie parade prize winners in the "up to 8 years" class at Market Day were Leslie O'Neill, Debbie Champagne, Jay, LuAnn and Terry Christianson and Mary Rolandson.

The Oklee Bobcats were defeated last Friday night by the Mentor Trojans by a score of 19-7.

School District 52 will have a basket social and carnival October 11th.

Fifty Years Ago
October 6, 1966

Plummer High School Homecoming Queen is Janet Martell and Allan Peterson is King.

Judith Ann Stander and William Peter Brandt were united in marriage Saturday, August 13th at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Oklee.

Cool damp weather during

the past week retarded the harvest progress of soybeans and flax.

Fireman Apprentice Donald L. Asselin, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Asselin of Brooks, is currently serving aboard the destroyer Wiltsie on a six-month deployment off the Vietnam coastline.

Men and machines have begun work on rebuilding County Rd 6 – the so called "town line" road running east of Oklee.

Forty Years Ago
October 7, 1976

From October 1 to Oct. 5, the Oklee Fire Department was called to more fires in history. Oct. 1 – two grass fires; October 3 – there were 7 reported fires; all started from old peat fires and was necessary to call in other departments. Oct. 5 – a fire at the Kelly Birkel farm and one at Jensen's Mink Ranch at Brooks.

The Lost River north of Gully is really lost. The dry year has left the river ready for exploration but not the usual past time of fishing.

Commissioner of Natural Resources announced that all hunting, fishing and trapping has been suspended until further notice in the northern two thirds of the state in response to increasing forest fire danger.

Thirty Years Ago
October 8, 1986

Commander Arnold Person of the Trail VFW Post 6426 presented Marvin Bronken, chairman of the Oklee School/Community Playground, a check for \$1000 to help equip the playground.

An Open House for Roy Jorgenson was held at ICCO on the occasion of his retirement. Bob Melby will now assume the responsibilities of Director of the ICCO.

On September 25th, an open house was held in honor of Verna Melby's birthday at the Senior Center.

Jim Christianson is the third new superintendent Oklee has had in 45 years. That in itself shows the stability in both the staff and community. Christianson has found since coming to Oklee this past fall.

Twenty Years Ago
October 2, 1996

Carol and Jerry Gerardy were hosts for a joint birthday party for grandson, Kyle, Jeremy, and Brett.

Fall Appreciation Day events planned in Oklee on October 5th include breakfast, two mile hike, bake sale, bingo, flea market and vendors.

Ellen and Wesley Overbo are the proud parents of a baby girl born August 24th and was named Michelle. Grandparents are Elmer & Doris Hanson of Oklee and Lloyd and Clarice Overbo of Moorhead.

Ten Years Ago
October 5, 2006

RLCC's King candidates were Scott Hilgeman, Scott Bergeson, Norman Pelletier, Marc Walter and Nick Olson. Crowned king was Marc Walter.

RLCC's Queen candidates were Haylee Stenberg, Courtney Halvorson, Mallory Gerardy, Brittanie Malwitz, and Brittany Gustafson. Crowned queen was Brittany Gustafson.

The shrine at Brooks behind Paradis Antique store has been in existence since 1950 was dismantled this year.

Bonnie Jensen and Shirley (Frankie) Cyr motored to Alexandria on Saturday where Shirley visited her daughter Jennifer and Bonnie attended the funeral for Lyle Williams. Lyle was a depot agent in Oklee in the late 50's & 60's.

Senior Site News and Other Things

By Volunteer Iona Berry

Another week has passed and it is time for my weekly report. The day is sunny and no rain predicted. I had a busy week as I subbed at the Site for Delores Longtin. Delores has been in the hospital for a few days and hopes to be back at the Site soon. I had company from New Jersey this past week. My cousin and his wife came to visit. My niece from Bemidji came with them and spent the day. They had not been here for about 10 years. When he was younger, he would spend a week staying on the farm every few years, so it was a big surprise to have them visit. He has retired from teaching but has a part time

job testing for asbestos for the government in buildings. He is the only close relative I have on my Mother's side of the family. This week we have our evening meal.

DATES TO REMEMBER
Oct. 10 - Columbus Day
Oct. 18 - Pot Luck Meal
Oct. 20 - Site Council Meets
Oct. 21 - Birthday Meal

WORDS OF WISDOM
A smile is the world's best cosmetic.

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JOKE TIME
Some boys went to the zoo one day on a school

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

Cindy Thomas of Manhattan, Kansas came Tuesday to Jean Carpenters to visit her family for a few days.

Kevin Longtin and Michaela Casavan were married at Redeemer Church in Thief River Falls, Saturday, September 24th. Kevin is the son of Lonnie and Michelle Longtin of Plummer. Michaela is the daughter of Marlin and Lisa Sorenson and Gary and Paulette Casavan. A reception was held at the Plummer Hall in the afternoon and a dance later.

Recently, Jerry Freitag, accompanied by Carolyn Toupin, attended the wedding of his grand niece, Karla Thompson, in Denver. It was

a Hindi wedding ceremony, which was interesting and beautiful. While in Colorado, they stayed and visted with son Dale Matteson, and family in Colorado Springs. They toured Garden of the Gods and enjoyed the fantastic Rockies, as well as other points of interest. On the way home, they stopped in Norfolk, NE, to visit with grandson, Richard Mattison and family, where they introduced to Jerry's great grandson, Chase Mattison.

After some cool weather and rainy days, the weather is shaping up for the weekend. However, rains forecast for early in the week.

Many farmers are out doing their beans. Ben Fallon, who

outing. They decided to visit the elephant enclosure but within the hour, they were picked up by a police officer for causing a commotion. The officer hauled them off to security for questioning and the teacher in charge told them to give their names and say what they were doing at the elephant house. The first boy said: "My name is Gary, and I was throwing peanuts in the elephant enclosure."

The second said, "My name is John and I was throwing peanuts into the elephant enclosure."

The third boy was a bit shaken up by the orders and said, "My name is Peter, but my friends call me Peanuts..."

Red Lake County Extension Educator

Curtis W. Nyegaard - 218-253-2895

Palmer Amaranth Detected In Minnesota

Crop scientists at the University of Minnesota and officials at the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) are urging farmers to check their fields for the Palmer amaranth weed. It is an aggressive weed that can put corn and soybean crops at risk. A plant detected in a native seed planting on a Yellow Medicine County farm was determined to be Palmer amaranth on September 22, 2016. This is the first confirmation of the weed in the state. The MDA asks that possible infestations be reported by contacting the MDA's "Arrest the Pest Line" by phone at 888.545.6684 or by email at arrest.the.pest@state.mn.us. Landowners are encouraged to email photos of suspected infestations for identification.

Landowners are encouraged to scout fields before harvest for Palmer amaranth and report any possible infestations to the MDA. The quicker it is identified, the quicker they can start managing this weed and the better the chances to minimize the impact to the Ag Industry in Minnesota. Palmer amaranth can grow 2 to 3 inches a day, typically reaching 6 to 8 feet, or more in height. If it is left uncontrolled, a single female Palmer amaranth plant

typically produces 100,000 to 500,000 seeds. Palmer amaranth is resistant to multiple types of herbicides. This weed has been found in 28 other states which includes the neighboring states of Iowa, South Dakota and Wisconsin. Palmer amaranth infestations have caused substantial yield losses and greatly increased weed management cost in cotton, soybeans, and corn in several states. Jeff Gunsolus, U M Extension Weed Scientist says this is an overwhelming, but not unexpected discovery in Minnesota. Information on this weed has been made available to crop consultants and Ag Professionals for the past three years at several educational programs.

The U M Extension and MDA officials have commended the grower and crop consultant who quickly contacted Extension after discovering a suspected Palmer amaranth plant. The weed is on MDA's prohibited-eradicated noxious weed list, requiring all above-and below-ground parts of the plant to be destroyed. Transportation, propagation or sale of the plants is prohibited. The MDA is investigating how the weed may have been introduced to

the state. Further information is available at z.umn.edu/MDAPalmerAmaranth or you can email Jeff Gunsolus, U M Extension Weed Scientist at gunso001@umn.edu with questions.

Source: Allison Sandve, UM Extension.

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Oct. 5
7:00 p.m.

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat

This family grew up north of Oklee and there were eventually more kids in the family.

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Red Lake Falls Library News

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Stop by the library to get in on the last days of the book sale, going on now until the end of October. All books are \$1 per bagful. There's something for everyone, including both adult and juvenile fiction and nonfiction, hardcover and paperback.

New DVDs include "Very

Next Thing," "Central Intelligence," "What Happened, Miss Simone?" "Me Before You," and "Hell on Wheels - season 5."

New adult fiction includes "A Baxter Family Christmas" by Karen Kingsbury, "Boy is Back" by Meg Cabot, "Escape Clause" by John Sandford, "Missing" by James Patterson, and "Night Sins" by Tami Hoag. And new in large print, "Twilight at Blueberry Barrens" by Colleen Coble, "Damaged" by Lisa Scottoline and "Rushing Waters" by Danielle Steel.

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