

Oklee Precipitation  
By Einar Kvasager

|           | Rain | Snow  |
|-----------|------|-------|
| Dec. 10   |      | Trace |
| Dec. 11   |      | Trace |
| Dec. 12   |      | 0.50  |
| Dec. 13   |      | 0.25  |
| Dec. 14   |      | Trace |
| Dec. 16   |      | Trace |
| Total in. | 0.00 | 0.75  |

# Oklee Herald

...AND CONTINUING THE PLUMMER PIONEER

OKLEE (RED LAKE COUNTY) MINN. 56742

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Wednesday, December 21, 2016



On Monday, December 12th, the Canadian Pacific Holiday Train once again stopped in Plummer, Minnesota. On the stage is Plummer Mayor Jim DuChamp, Inter County Community Council Director Catherine Johnson, Washington Post Reporter Christopher Ingraham (who moved to Red Lake County after writing an article about a year ago that Red Lake County was the ugliest county in the United States and a CP Railroad representative. Ingraham got a huge response to that article and an invitation to

come to Red Lake County and see what it has to offer. Ingraham liked what he saw and convinced his family that they should move here and they are now residents of Red Lake Falls. Ingraham presented the CP Representative with a plaque Thanking CP Holiday Train for making the "ugliest county beautiful." The food shelves received a check from CP Holiday Train in the amount of \$4500 to be used for purchasing more food items. Pictured in the center is Chris Ingraham and Catherine Johnson.



## Youth Snowmobile Training

Oklee Moonlighters Snowmobile Club is sponsoring the Youth Snowmobile Training to be held Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Youth must register and complete the online portion of the class by the class date. Class is open to youth 11 years and older. Go to one of these two websites to complete the online portion of the class: snowmobilecourse.com (\$29.95) or snowmobile-ed.com (\$29.50). Youth may register in the RLCC school office or by calling Shelly Flatgard-218-686-8627.

## Annual Christmas Lighting contest

Annual Christmas Light Decorating Contest, sponsored by the Oklee Activity Club for the Oklee and rural Oklee residents. Club members will be going out before Christmas to select the winners. They try to find and look at everyone's lights, but if you would like to nominate someone's lights you can call 796-5394 or 796-5000.

## Calendar of Events

**Wed, Dec. 21:**  
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.  
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.  
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.  
**Thu, Dec. 22:**  
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.  
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.  
**Fri, Dec. 23:**  
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.  
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.  
**Sat, Dec. 24: Christmas Eve**  
**Sun, Dec. 25: Christmas Day**  
**Mon, Dec. 26:**  
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.  
**Tue, Dec. 27:**  
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.  
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards  
-Senior Potluck at Oklee Café.  
**Wed, Dec. 28:**  
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.  
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.  
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.  
**Thu, Dec. 29:**  
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.  
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.  
**Fri, Dec. 30:**  
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.  
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.



## 18th edition of the CP Holiday Train ready to support communities and raise awareness of hunger

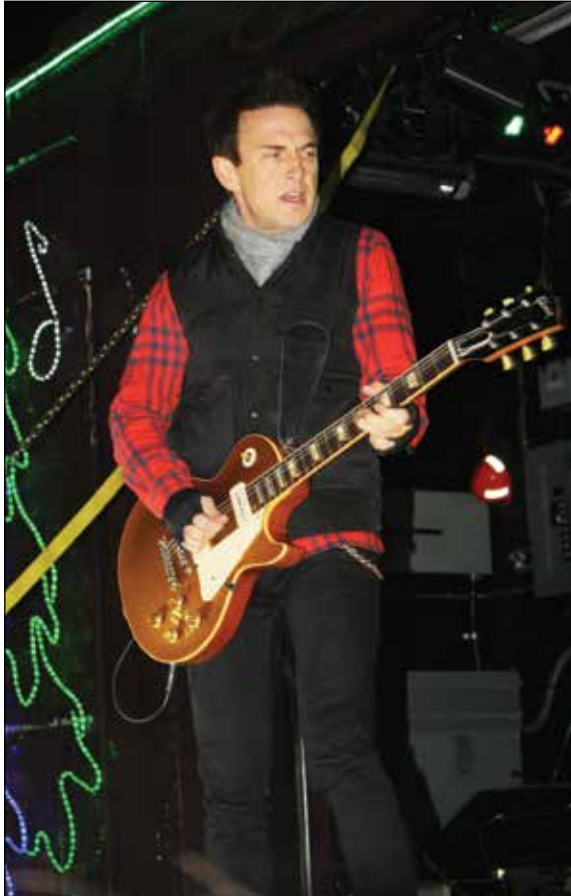
As in years past, two trains will operate coast-to-coast under the Holiday Train banner, with approximately 150 shows held in November and December. The train that operates primarily through the U.S. will launch in the Montreal area on Nov. 25, while the all-Canada train's first shows will come a day later, also in Montreal. The U.S. train will complete its final shows in Saskatchewan on Dec. 15, and the final show of the tour will take place Dec. 17 at Port

Coquitlam, B.C. "We are very excited about this year's CP Holiday Train and are encouraging all event attendees to bring healthy, nutritious food items to the shows," said Pam Jolliffe, Interim Executive Director, Food Banks Canada. "For the last two decades, CP has played an integral role in raising essential food for the holidays and in raising awareness of hunger-related issues." Every pound of food and dollar raised at each stop stays

with the local food bank to help feed those in need in that community. Kelly Prescott Kelly is no stranger to Holiday Train. She has taken part in numerous tours and was featured on many of the past Holiday Train CD's, including the gold record release in 2005. In 2013 she shared the stage with Sheryl Crow and Take Six on the Holiday Train 15th anniversary show in Minnesota. "The Holiday Train

exemplifies the spirit of giving and brings so much joy and hope to communities across North America. Once again, I look forward to another year aboard the Holiday Train and helping in the fight against hunger." Entertaining in Plummer were: Colin James From the prairies of Saskatchewan to the stages of the world, sharing his talent with some of the greatest and most influential musicians of all time, Colin James has quietly and steadily established himself as one of Canada's greatest musicians. Now after a career that has spanned over 25 years and 18 albums Colin continues to make

the music he loves and perform to sold out theatres from coast to coast. "Since I was a child I've always been romantic about the railway. Spending a couple weeks on a train and pulling into some of these idyllic towns will not only be a new experience for me but a fantastic way to ring in the Christmas season." This information came from the Canadian Pacific Holiday Train website. For more information on <http://www.cpr.ca/holiday-train/united-states>. People were asked to bring a canned item to Plummer on Monday night to help fill the food shelves that support our county.



Colin James and Kelly Prescott were the entertainers on the Holiday Train.



# Church news

**OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH**  
Zion and Salem  
Pastor Margaret Jacobus  
Wed, Dec. 21: 6:30 p.m.  
Confirmation Classes.  
Sat, Dec. 24: 4:00 p.m.  
Salem Candlelight Service.  
10:00 p.m. Zion Candlelight Service.  
Sun, Dec. 25: 10:00 a.m.  
Joint Christmas Day services at Zion.  
Wed, Dec. 28: No  
Confirmation Classes.

**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH OKLEE**  
Fr. Adam Hamness  
Sun, Dec. 25: 7:30 a.m.  
Confessions 8:00 a.m. Mass.

**BROOKS - RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH**  
Fr. Bob Schreiner  
Sat, Dec. 24: 5:30 p.m. RLF  
Sun, Dec. 25: 8:00 a.m. RLF.  
Brooks. 10:00 a.m. RLF.

**IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH**  
Pastor Jonathan Dodson  
Wed, Dec. 21: 6:30 p.m.  
Confirmation at Immanuel.  
Sat, Dec. 24: 9:30 p.m.  
Christmas Eve Service at Ebenezer.  
Sun, Dec. 25: 9:00 a.m.  
Christmas Day Service at Immanuel. No SS or Potluck.

**GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH**  
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith  
Pastor Kristen Ostercamp  
Wed, Dec. 21: 7:00 p.m.  
Advent Service at Ekelund.  
Sat, Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Services: 5:00 p.m. Faith; 11:00 p.m. Bethany.  
Sun, Dec. 25: Christmas Day Service: 10:00 a.m. Ekelund.

**CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH**  
Mt. Olive - Nazareth Oak Park - St. Petri  
Pastor Jeff Merseeth  
Wed, Dec. 21: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.  
Sat, Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Services: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive. 7:00 p.m. Oak Park.  
Sun, Dec. 25: Christmas Services: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:30 a.m. Nazareth.  
Wed, Dec. 28: No Wednesday School/Confirmation.

**NEW JOURNEY CHURCH**  
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor  
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor  
www.newjourneyfosston.com  
Wed, Dec. 21: 6:30 p.m. Community Christmas Caroling.  
Thu, Dec. 22: 12:00 p.m. Rotary meeting.  
Sat, Dec. 24: 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service  
Sun, Dec. 25: 9:30 a.m. Worship.

**GULLY-TRAIL PARISH**  
Bethany \* Lund  
Sand Valley  
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister  
Wed, Dec. 21: 2:00 p.m. Sand Valley WELCA.  
Sun, Dec. 24: 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service at Lund.

**BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston**  
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor  
Sun, Dec. 25: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

**Oklee Senior Site Dining**

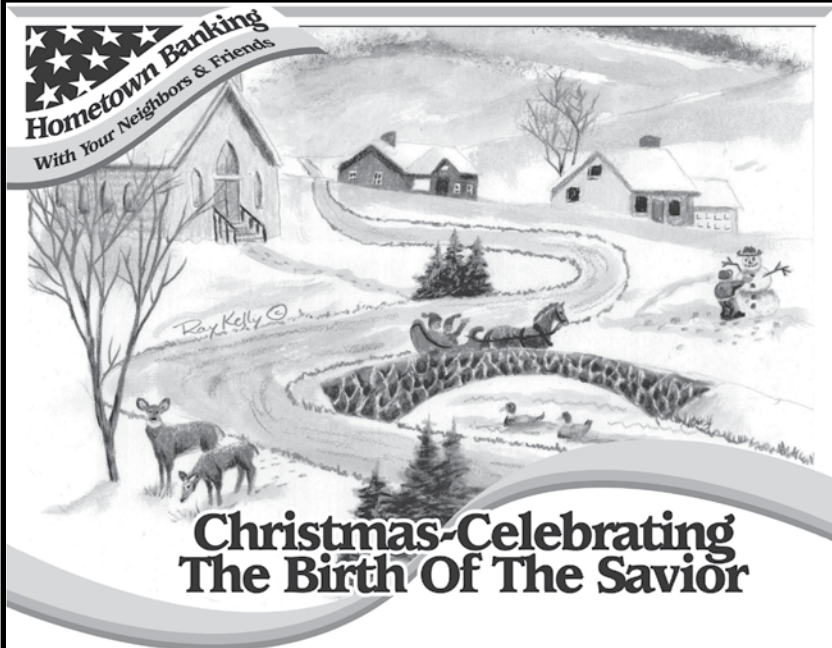
**December 26 - 30**  
Call 796-5666 to order a meal.  
If you are over the age of 60 and would like to eat with other seniors at the Senior Site, please call the Café at 796-5666 to reserve your meal. A \$4.00 per meal donation is suggested.  
Monday: BBQ on bun, tator tots, vegetable, and dessert.  
Tuesday: Pancake, sausage patty, 1 egg, and dessert.  
Wednesday: Egg salad sandwich, hamburger vegetable soup, and dessert.  
Thursday: Chicken strip, tossed salad, cottage cheese, toast, and dessert.  
Friday: Shrimp, hash browns, vegetables, and dessert.

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Quin County Community Health Services WIC is accepting applications for a part-time WIC Support Aid. Position will include greeting participants, scheduling, answering phones and various clinic duties. Looking for a kind and caring individual with good communication and computer skills, must have the ability to lift up to 50 lbs., travel to clinic locations in Kittson, Marshall, Pennington, Red Lake and Roseau Counties, and work varied hours. Experience working with pregnant and breastfeeding women and young children preferred.  
Send resume to PO Box 248, Newfolden, MN 56738 or e-mail quinchs@wiktel.com. Phone (218) 874-7845 for more information. Position open until filled.

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## NOTICE OF FILING FOR CHESTER TOWNSHIP ELECTION

Notice is hereby given to qualified voters of Chester Township, Polk County, State of Minnesota, that filing for town office will be held for a two week period beginning January 3, 2017. Affidavits of Candidacy shall be filed with the Town Clerk at Clerk's home at any reasonable hour from January 3, 2017 to January 17, 2017.  
Filing will close on January 17, 2017, @ 5:00p.m.  
Filing fee-\$2.00  
Offices to be filled at the March Annual Election are:  
1-Supervisor for a Three Year Term  
1-Treasurer for a Two Year Term  
Pam O'Neill, Clerk, Town of Chester

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## NOTICE OF FILING FOR GARNES TOWNSHIP ELECTION

Notice is hereby given to qualified voters of Garnes Township, Red Lake County, State of Minnesota, that filing for town office will be held for a two week period beginning January 3, 2017. Affidavits of Candidacy shall be filed with the Town Clerk at Clerk's home at any reasonable hour from January 3, 2017, to January 17, 2017.  
Filing will close on January 17, 2017, at 5:00p.m.  
Filing fee-\$2.00  
Offices to be filled at the March Annual Election are:  
1- Supervisor for a Three Year term  
1- Treasurer for a Two Year Term  
Diane Kolstoe, Clerk, Town of Garnes

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## City of Oklee Minutes

### City of Oklee Regular Council Meeting October 12th, 2016 Oklee Cafe, 6:00pm

Called to Order: 6:00PM  
Roll Call: Mayor Burthwick, Melby and Munt, Jensen Absent.  
Also Present, Sherriff Bernstein  
Gale Schmitz, Cross and Tougas  
Motion to accept September Minutes by Munt, seconded by Melby, Motion carried.  
September Financials: Motion to accept by Melby and seconded by Munt, motion carried.  
September Bills, motion to accept by Melby and seconded by Munt, motion carried.  
Sherriff Report: Sherriff Bernstein requested a Resolution Regarding the Hazard Mitigation Plan - Munt Made the Resolution. Nuisance Properties have been dealt. Kids door Knocking in town then running, hopefully sorted out. Barking Dogs also reported  
Maintenance Report: Tougas reported that the Hydrants have been flushed and are ready for winter. Also 4 skunks have been dealt with.  
Tougas and Cross made the suggestion that the City should consider purchasing the empty lot near the ball field on 511 Elm Avenue, this lot became available from the County at \$200. We felt it would be a good addition as we own the adjacent Lot, which would make this area ideal for overnight stays for campers.  
We have had one contractor using the 509 address while they were rehabbing properties in town.  
Motion by Melby to Purchase the Lot at \$200.00 from the County, seconded by Munt, motion carried.  
Cross has had a discussion with Brad Gunderson regarding the electrical connections, he informed me that he has available the portable plug in board that was used at the Cities centennial celebrations available, this board is up to code and would be safe and reliable, I agreed

to speak with him in the Spring on the cost to the City.  
We are looking also into the pools of water forming in front of D&R Grocery, this needs looking at before winter sets in.  
Audit: Cross reported he had been in touch with three Cities regarding the Hoffman, Philipps and Knutson and had glowing reports from Erskine, Red lake Falls and Badger, who use them.  
Cross stated that after talking to the other Cities he is comfortable using them, this should save the City in excess of \$3000.00 a year if we sign up for five years. Motion to accept Hoffman, Philipps and Knutson quote for 5 years at \$6500.00 a year by Munt, seconded by Melby, motion carried.  
Wanda Wright/Pitchers: Wanda Wright had around 50 pitchers left over from her daughter's Wedding and had asked if the City would consider purchasing them for use in the Hall, Tougas did say they would be useful and would be used. Wright did not request and amount for them, just an offer/nominal fee for them. Motion to Pay Wanda Wright \$50.00 for the pitchers by Melby, seconded by Munt, motion carried.  
Nuisance Properties: The two properties on Main Street have reached a satisfactory conclusion, Truck and appliances gone from one, and the other has been sold and will be torn down next year.  
Cross asked about using City equipment to demolish the house and remove it with the city trucks at the weekends, more discussion nearer the time.  
New Printer: New Printer installed in the Office, it will be cheaper once the page count has shown our usage has gone down, last year we used a massive amount of paper.  
Motion to Close the Meeting at 6.45pm by Melby, seconded by Munt, motion carried.  
Meeting closed at 6.45pm.  
Derek Cross/City Clerk  
Mayor Burthwick  
039C

## Red Lake County Commissioners Minutes

### RED LAKE COUNTY Regular Meeting Held November 22, 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 November 22, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. Chair Simpson called the meeting to order. All Commissioners were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.  
Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Sorensen and carried to approve the agenda with the addition of the Oklee City Park.  
Commissioner Weiss moved, seconded by Sorensen and carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the November 8, 2016 regular board meeting.  
The following commissioner/ committee reports were shared:  
Commissioner Meeting/Report Weiss  
Tri County Corrections: reviewed financials, insurance liabilities, jail usage, personnel changes, Staple Days-Youth Ranch report, and probation services.  
Flage SWCD: reviewed projects and grants. County Canvassing Board.  
Sorensen Tri County Corrections. Inter County Nursing: new office space is completed, discussed the budget and financials.  
Lerohl County Canvassing Board. HRA: discussed apartment housing and spec home purchases. Reported that a rodeo will be held at the 2017 county fair.  
Simpson None.  
Commissioner Lerohl informed of the "2017 Eco-footprint Grant" sponsored by Enbridge Energy. The grant will be used to upgrade the Omar Sunrud Park (formerly the Oklee City Park) located north of the city. The city is asking the county to support its efforts. There will be no monetary obligation required of the county. Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Weiss and carried unanimously to support the efforts of the City of Oklee.  
Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Weiss and carried by unanimous vote to approve the expenditures for the period as follows:

| Vendor Name                 | Amount       |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Bert's Truck Equipment      | \$ 11,002.00 |
| Gcr Tire Center             | 5,360.00     |
| H&L Mesabi                  | 7,196.00     |
| Knife River Materials Inc.  | 136,516.88   |
| 17 Payments less than 2,000 | 4,900.04     |
| Final Total                 | \$164,974.92 |

The motion includes the following additional bills: \$744.58 to Kelley Rogalla; \$56.70 to Bob Schmitz, and \$49.00 to Quill.  
Tanya Hanson, SWCD Administrator provided an update on the several BWSR (Board of Water/ Soil Resources) projects that utilized dollars from the "Clean Water Fund Grant". Hanson informed that a meeting will be held December 14, 2016 in Red Lake Falls to explain the new Minnesota Buffer Law requirements.  
Hanson reviewed the Memorandum of Agreement for the 1W1P program. The memorandum establishes the fiscal agency to perform coordinator functions for plan operations. Hanson recommended that the SWCD be appointed the fiscal agency for the 1W1P for the first year of operation. Commissioner Weiss moved, seconded by Lerohl and carried unanimously to appoint the local SWCD as the fiscal agent for the 1W1P program, and review after the first year whether the SWCD will remain the fiscal agent on a longer-term basis.  
Auditor Schmitz provided an election report from the General election held November 8, 2016.

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-John 3:16

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ in Bethlehem over 2,000 years ago, we wish you and your family a Merry Christmas.

Drive-up and bank closing at 3:00 Fri., Dec. 23. Closed Dec. 26.

Deadline: this Thursday at noon!



# MUSTANG STAMPED



## RLCC Sports Schedules

### RLC Rebel Varsity

#### Boys Basketball

**Sat. Dec. 31:** G-G in *G-G* at 2:00 p.m.

**Tues, Jan. 3:** Against East Grand Forks SH in *Plummer* at 6:00 p.m.

**Mon, Jan. 9:** Against Sacred Heart in *RLF* at 6:00 p.m.

**Tues, Jan. 10:** W-E-M in *WEM* at 6:00 p.m.

**Fri, Jan. 13:** W-A-O in *WAO* at 6:00 p.m.

**Tues, Jan. 17:** Against Climax-Fisher in *RLF* at 6:00 p.m.

**Thu, Jan. 19:** Against Fosston in *Plummer* at 6:00 p.m.

**Tues, Jan. 24:** Against Roseau in *RLF* at 5:00 p.m.

**Sat. Jan. 28:** Against Waubun in *RLF* at 6:00 p.m.

**Tues, Jan. 31:** Against Northern Freeze in *Plummer* at 6:00 p.m.

**Fri, Feb. 3:** Parent's Night: Against W-A-O in *RLF* at 6:00 p.m.

**Thu, Feb. 9:** Against C-G in *Oklee* at 6:00 p.m.

**Sat. Feb. 11:** Super Saturday at *NCTC-TBD*

**Tues, Feb. 14:** Against Northern Freeze in *New Folden* at 6:00 p.m.

**Thurs, Feb. 16:** Against Mahnomen in *Mahnomen* at 6:00 p.m.

### Mustang Wrestling

**Jan. 3:** Mayport-Roseau Tri in Mayville at 5:00 p.m.

**Jan. 6:** Mahnomen/Wauban in *Mahnomen* at 4:00

**Jan. 7:** Pine-to-Pine in *Fertile* at 11:00 a.m.

**Jan. 17:** Against Mahnomen/L.P in *Oklee* at 5:00 p.m.

**Jan. 20:** Against Park Rapids in *Oklee* at 2:00 p.m.

**Jan. 21:** TRF Tourney in *TRF* at 9:30 a.m.

**Jan. 31:** Against BGMR Tri in *Oklee* at 6:30 p.m.

**Feb. 4:** Northwest Tourney in *Fertile* at 11:00 a.m.

**Feb. 7:** Against Fosston in *Oklee* at 6:30 p.m.

**Feb. 10:** Against Fertile-Beltrami in *Oklee* at 6:00 p.m.

**Feb. 18:** Team Section in *Thief River*. TBD

### Lady Mustang Varsity Basketball 2016-17

**Thu, Dec. 22:** Against Mahnomen in *Mahnomen* at 6:00 p.m.

**Tues, Jan. 3:** Against Goodridge-Grygla in *Oklee* at 6:00 p.m.

**Thu, Dec. 5:** Against Red Lake in *Red Lake* at 6:00 p.m.

**Sat, Jan. 7:** Against Stephen-Argyle in *Oklee* at 1:00 p.m.

**Tues, Jan 10:** Against Red Lake Falls in *Plummer* at 6:00 p.m.

**Fri, Jan. 13:** Against Fosston in *Fosston* at 6:00 p.m.

**Thu, Jan. 19:** Against Laporte in *Oklee* at 6:00 p.m.

**Fri, Jan. 20:** Against W-A-O in *Warren* at 6:00 p.m.

**Tues, Jan. 24:** Against W-E-M in *W-E-M* at 6:15 p.m.

**Thu, Jan. 26:** Against Cass Lake-Bena in *Oklee* at 6:00 p.m.

**Tues, Jan 31:** Against Fertile-Beltrami in *Fertile* at 6:00 p.m.

**Thu, Feb. 2:** Against Red Lake Falls in *RLF* at 6:00 p.m.

**Sat, Feb. 4:** Against Lake of the Woods in *LOW* at 1:00 p.m.

**Mon, Feb. 6:** Against Kittson Central in *Lancaster* at 6:00 p.m.

**Thu, Feb. 9:** C-G in *C-G* at 6:00 p.m.

## Oklee Open Gym Started Dec. 3

Oklee Gym will be open on Saturdays open gym time. The gym will be open from 1:00-3:00 pm. All ages are welcome but anyone sixth grade and under must be under adult supervision.

There will be **no open gym** on Christmas Eve, December 24<sup>th</sup> or New Year's Eve, December 31<sup>st</sup>.

For more information call Curt Halverson at 612-247-0812.

Wednesday, December 21, 2016



Rebel boys' basketball took first place in Sacred Heart 8<sup>th</sup> grade tournament. Front Row: Andrew Gryskiewicz, Eric Gieseke, Bailey Hince, Carter Williams, Brody Moen, and Brock Tvedt. Back Row: Coach Kevin Phillion, Wakely Bryl, Isaiah Aquino, Jordan Kasprovicz, Isiah Olson, Jake Duden, and Coach Kory Baril.

### RLC Boys Basketball play at NCTC

By: Sarah Christensen and Hannah Riendeau

Northland Community Technical College hosted the annual Boys' Basketball Holiday Tournament. Due to the weather, the games were moved back to Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 8-10.

In round one of the NCTC Boys Holiday Basketball Tournament Red Lake County Rebels played Fertile-Beltrami Falcons on Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. They lost 38 to 72.

Top two scorers for the Rebels were Justin Nemec with 11 points, and Ethan Vettleson with 10. Derek Peterson had six points, Talon Porter with five, Jordan Johnson with three, Ben Cardinal with two, and Adrien Verbout with one. Porter had one block and one steal, Brandon Wiskow had two steals, and Vettleson two steals.

The top three scores for the Falcons were John Larsen with 17 points, Dillon Sannes with 12, and Dylan Van Den Einde with 11.

The Rebels next faced Clearbrook-Gonvick Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> in the second round winning 74-65. Ethan Vettleson had a triple-double scoring 31 points, 14 steals, and 10 rebounds. Talon Porter put up 20 points along with two steals. Also adding points for the Rebels were Matt Vettleson with seven, Justin Nemec and Brandon Wiskow each with six, and Derek Peterson and John Renner with two apiece.

In the final round of the NCTC Holiday Tournament on Saturday, Red Lake County Rebels lost against Goodridge-Grygla with the first half being 32-35 and the overall score 31-67. Talon Porter was the leading scorer for the Rebels with 11 points, two rebounds and also one steal. Ethan Vettleson had nine points and two rebounds and two steals.

Also scoring for the Rebels were Matt Vettleson with four points, Derek Peterson three, Ben Cardinal and Adrien Verbout each two. Jordan Johnson had two rebounds and one steal. Justin Nemec had two seals and one block shot.

The top scorers for the Goodridge- Grygla were Dylan Walker with 17 points and Blaine Kriel 14. The Rebels took sixth place in the tournament.

### Rebels 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Wins Basketball Tournament

The Red Lake County Rebels Boys' Basketball team competed in an eighth grade tournament in East Grand Forks on Saturday, December 10. In pool play, the Rebels beat Stephen-Argyle by nine points followed by a 13 point win over Crookston. Teams were seeded by how they did in pool play

then put into brackets.

In the bracket part of the tournament, the Rebels beat Stephen-Argyle again. In the championship game, the RLC Rebels came out victorious over Thief River Falls by three points. The four wins in the tournament puts the Rebels at 5-0 on the season.

Nine teams participated in the tournament including the Rebels, Stephen-Argyle, Crookston, Thief River Falls, Sacred Heart, Warren, East Grand Forks, Fisher-Climax, and Badger-Greenbush-Middle River.

### Mustang girls play in Holiday Tournament

By: Sydnie Gunderson and Sarah Christensen

Red Lake County Central girls' basketball played at Northland Community and Technical College in Thief River Falls at the annual Girls Basketball Holiday Tournament. During round one held Monday, December 12, Red Lake defeated the RLCC Mustangs. In the first half Red Lake led 38-10, and continued their lead 27-15 in the second half coming to a final result of 65-25 over the Mustangs.

Scoring points for the Mustangs were Ashley Longtin seven, Calyssa Eskeli five, Taylor Bushelle four, Julia Bernstein four, Nikki Schmitz two, Marie Johnson one, and Billie Jo Gryskiewicz one. Red Lake's scoring leaders were Angel McClain with 18 points, Danielle Seki 17, and Alexis Desjarlait 13.

RLCC Mustang girls lost to the Goodridge-Grygla Chargers 30-53 in round two. Top scorer for RLCC was Ashely Longtin with 12 points followed by Taylor Bushelle with seven, Julia Bernstein with six, Nikki Schmitz with three, Jenna Pahlen with one, and Calyssa Eskeli with one.

Goodridge-Grygla top scorer was Ashlyn Hendrickson with 10 points followed by Hannah Dietsch with eight, Ashley Moe with seven, Mercedes Coan with seven, Brooke Limesand with six, Alison Satre with four, Karlee Johnson with two, and Carlye Kiesow with two.

The Mustang girls next defeated Lake of the Woods 50-40 in the third round played December 15. Top scorer was Ashely Longtin with 22 points followed by Julia Bernstein with 19, Jenna Pahlen with five, Taylor Bushelle with two, and Calyssa Eskeli with two.

Lake of the Woods top scorer was Jordan Sonstegard with 17 points. Also scoring were Alicia Draper with 13 points, Shelby Plutko with two, Sydney Hoofnagle with two, Rebekah Fraser with two, and Marissa Johnson with two.

The girls placed seventh in the tournament.

### Learning about team work and leadership

By: Julia Bernstein

Nine sophomores attended the Team-up Leadership Conference at the Thief River Falls Ralph Engelstad Arena. It was attended by all sophomores and one junior from northwest Minnesota schools. Craig Hillier was the main speaker and leader of the day's events.

Hillier began the day talking about how to improve your leadership rolls. Then students broke off in to partners and played a game called straight leg tag; one person speed walked without bending their knees to tag their partner. After the game we talked about the lesson behind the game. The lesson was that there is so much going on which prevents you from achieving a goal.

Other group activities led by Hillier helped students learn more teamwork and leadership skills. At the end of the day the students took a survey to find out if their leadership role was an Enterpriser, Analyzer, Motivator or Togetherness.

RLCC sophomores attending this event were Julia Bernstein, Sarah Christensen, Andrew Fish, Sydnie Gunderson, Marie Johnson, Connor Lambert, Justin Nemec, Zoey Russillo, and Dawson Rystad. The students were accompanied by Mr. Kory Baril.



Ethan Vettleson broke a Rebel record December 9<sup>th</sup> against Clearbrook-Gonvick at the annual NCTC Boys Holiday Tournament. Vettleson had 14 steals breaking the previous record of nine. Vettleson also had a triple-double with 31 points, 14 steals, and 10 rebounds during the game.

## Ice Skating Rink Open

The Ice Skating Rink is now open and will be open every day from 5 a.m. to 9 p.m. except for home game days.

If you have any questions, contact Jarrod Larson.

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### Rebels fall to Gators

By: Sydnie Gunderson

Red Lake County boys' basketball played Badger-Greenbush-Middle River in Greenbush Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. The Rebels were down the first half 14-32. In the second half, the Rebels outscored the Gators 23-21 points. The game ended with the Rebels down 37-53.

Justin Nemec led the Rebels with 10 points, six rebounds, and two steals. Ethan Vettleson had eight points, seven rebounds, and two steals, and Matt Vettleson seven points and two steals. Ben Cardinal had six points, Derek Peterson two, Jordan Johnson two, and Adrian Verbout two.

Leading the Gators were Skyler Frost and Austin Aune each with nine.

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## Centennial Recipe Corner

### Calico Beans Susan (Hegge) Spong

1/2 lb ground beef  
1/2 lb bacon, fried  
1-1/2 cup ketchup  
3/4 cup brown sugar  
2 tsp vinegar  
1 cup chopped onion  
1 tsp salt  
1 tsp dry mustard  
1 can butter beans (partly drained)  
1 can kidney beans (partly drained)  
2 cans pork & beans (partly drained)

Brown ground beef with onion. Mix all ingredients together in a crock pot or 9 x 13 pan. Bake uncovered 40 minutes at 350 degrees.



# SANTA DAY IN PLUMMER



Red Lake County Central Elementary Honor Choir sang at the Plummer Hall and at the Tri River Pioneer Museum. Krista Bernstein directing.



Christopher Ingraham's family walked up to the Holiday Train together. Pictured is Christopher with his wife Brianna, their twins, Jack and Charlie walking with Santa. The weather was colder than the past few years. But there was still a good turnout of people in Plummer to enjoy the entertainment and other activities.



## Security State Ham Drawing Winners

The winners of the Hams at Security State Bank for Christmas were...Myrtle Woods.....Brian Peterson.... Siri Vigoren. Congratulations!

## Sudoku Solution

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## Red Lake County Extension Educator

Curtis W. Nyegaard - 218-253-2895

## Minnesota Buffer Law Comment Period through January 9th, 2017

Below is a summary from the Minnesota Soybean Growers web site of the official Public Notice released recently from BWSR for a comment period on portions of the "Minnesota Buffer Law". The Buffer law, signed into law in 2015 and amended in 2016, is not without objection or praise by citizens of the State of Minnesota. For agricultural producers and land owners directly affected by this legislation, and others not directly affected, there has been concern as to how implementation and enforcement might be carried out. As citizens in a democratic society, you have the right to comment on public policy as it is developed. Consider reading the notice, review the information as it pertains to the law (available on the Board of Water and Soil Resources web site), and consider making comment.

The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) is charged with overseeing program implementation of the buffer law. The agency is currently seeking public comment on key components of its buffer program.

The Requests for Comment and supporting documents are available on the BWSR Buffer Program website at <http://bwsr.state.mn.us/buffers>

BWSR is looking for feedback on the following policies and model rules:

Initial Election of Jurisdiction Policy  
Enforcement Procedures and Administrative Penalty Order Plan

Model county ordinance as an option for counties electing to exercise jurisdiction.

Model watershed district rule as an option for districts electing to exercise jurisdiction.

Comments from stakeholders are a key part of the process, and will be considered during policy development. Anticipated action on these policies is expected at the January 2017 BWSR Board meeting. Information and comments on the policies and model rules will be accepted until 4:30 p.m. on Jan. 9, 2017.

Comments may be submitted via email to [buffers.bwsr@state.mn.us](mailto:buffers.bwsr@state.mn.us) or via U.S. mail to David Weirens, Asst. Director for Programs and Policy, BWSR, 520 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155.

When Should My

## Christmas Cactus Bloom?

A few weeks ago while shopping for gifts I noticed in one of the stores a variety of bloom colors of Christmas cacti. Like a child in the candy store I wanted to add to my collection! For many growing this cactus, it is handed down through generations. I know of at least one family who has successfully managed 3 generations of growth of the same plant. In the spirit of the holiday season I thought I would present information for those trying to be green thumbs before they focus their attention on the pages of seed catalogs arriving on January 2nd. Below is an article on Christmas Cacti written a few years ago by Beth Berlin, University of Minnesota Extension Educator in Stearns and Benton Counties.

'Tis the season for the holiday plants to start blooming. Or is it? Many people may wonder why their Christmas cactus is blooming at Thanksgiving or even earlier. There are actually several popular holiday cacti; the Thanksgiving, Christmas, and less familiar Easter cactus. Despite the name cactus, these plants are not from the desert; instead the Thanksgiving and Christmas cacti are both in the Schlumbergera family, and native to the tropical forests of Brazil.

The Thanksgiving and Christmas cacti received their name because of the typical bloom period is near to the holiday; however that is not always true. Bloom periods are triggered by the amount of daylight and the temperature. Therefore your Thanksgiving cacti might be in bloom at Halloween and your Christmas in bloom closer to Thanksgiving. A more definitive way to tell the difference between a Thanksgiving cactus and a Christmas cactus is by looking at the segments of the leaves. The Thanksgiving cactus' leaf segments have a pointed, jagged edge, while the Christmas cactus' leaf segments are smooth and rounded. Another way is to look closely at the flower parts of the plant. The anther, pollen bearing part of the flower, is yellow on the Thanksgiving cactus and purplish-brown on the Christmas cactus. Very often the Thanksgiving cactus is actually sold under the name Christmas cactus, which only adds to the confusion.

To initiate flowering,

either plant needs less than 12 hours of light per day and temperatures of less than 68°F. Flower buds will set regardless of the daylight hours if temperatures are less than 55°F. If the conditions in your home do not meet these requirements extra efforts need to be done by the plant owner to trigger the cactus to bloom. Simply cover the cactus or put it in a dark closet for at least 12 hours a day. In some warm homes, if temperatures never drop below 70°F, the plant may never bloom regardless of the amount of light.

Be aware that if budded plants are brought into a warm room with low humidity, they may drop their buds. Also plants that are overwatered may even drop leaf segments. The perfect place for the cactus is in a bright, indirect lit room with suitable temperatures away from drafts. Water the plant when the growing medium is dry to the touch. Do not overwater and let the soil to be waterlogged, especially in the winter. The soil medium should be kept evenly moist in the fall when flower buds are set to prevent them from withering. Never let water stand in the saucer below the pot. Fertilize the plant with a general purpose fertilizer monthly during the growing season, fertilize with half strength from late winter through summer, and finally stop fertilizing in late summer for greater flower bud production.

After the cactus is done blooming, they benefit from a "resting" period. Allow the soil to dry out between watering, but do not allow the leaves to shrivel. Thanksgiving and Christmas cactus bloom best when slightly pot-bound. The best time to repot is in spring when new growth begins. The best potting medium is well-drained with good aeration, such as a mix of two-thirds potting soil with one-third perlite or coarse sand. Do not use a cactus soil mixture.

Take a close look at your holiday cactus, is it a true Christmas cactus or is it a Thanksgiving cactus? Regardless, with the proper care this plant will bloom for six to eight weeks each year for many, many years. For more information on all houseplants visit [www.extension.umn.edu/garden/yard-garden/houseplants](http://www.extension.umn.edu/garden/yard-garden/houseplants)

## Bonny's Bits...

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## 'Twas the Night Before Christmas

(A Visit from St. Nicholas) by Clement Clarke Moore

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house  
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse.  
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,  
In hopes that St Nicholas soon would be there.

The children were nestled all snug in their beds,  
While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads.  
And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap,  
Had just settled down for a long winter's nap.

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,  
I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter.  
Away to the window I flew like a flash,  
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow  
Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below.  
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,  
But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer.

With a little old driver, so lively and quick,  
I knew in a moment it must be St Nick.  
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,  
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name!

"Now Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer and Vixen!  
On, Comet! On, Cupid! on, on Donner and Blitzen!  
To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall!  
Now dash away! Dash away! Dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,  
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky.  
So up to the house-top the coursers they flew,  
With the sleigh full of toys, and St Nicholas too.

And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof  
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.  
As I drew in my head, and was turning around,  
Down the chimney St Nicholas came with a bound.

He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,  
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot.  
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,  
And he looked like a peddler, just opening his pack.

His eyes—how they twinkled! his dimples how merry!  
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!  
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,  
And the beard of his chin was as white as the snow.

The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,  
And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath.  
He had a broad face and a little round belly,  
That shook, when he laughed, like a bowlful of jelly!

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf,  
And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself!  
A wink of his eye and a twist of his head,  
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,  
And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk.  
And laying his finger aside of his nose,  
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose!

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,  
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle.  
But I heard him exclaim, 'ere he drove out of sight,  
"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a Good-Night!"

# Oklee Herald Early Files

**Seventy Years Ago**  
**December 26, 1946**  
The Oklee High school basketball team lost a 26-16 game to the local Independents at the auditorium Monday evening.

Pvt. Marvin Sordahl arrived here last Friday to spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sordahl.

Willard and Harold Lindquist and Harold Lerohl, who are attending Minnesota University, returned here last week to spend the holidays at their respective parents.

**Sixty Years Ago**  
**December 23, 1956**

A burned out journal box caused partial derailment of a freight car on the Soo Line Bridge over the Lost River here Monday morning of last week, holding up traffic on the line until early the following morning.

Dawn Marie, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Juell Chervestad and Ronald Wayne, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rathbun, were both baptized at the Oak Park Church on Sunday.

Mrs. Leo Eskeli entertained Tuesday evening, December 11<sup>th</sup>, for her daughter Karen's eighth birthday.

**Fifty Years Ago**  
**December 22, 1966**

Christmas weather—a heavy blanket of snow has fallen this week, giving the area a typical Christmas appearance. Tempertures dropped from the middle twenties to around zero on Wednesday.

The Oklee Bobcats dropped a close one Friday night to the Clearbrook Hornets in overtime 69-68. The Bobcats had the same two problems, as usual, too many fouls and not enough points.

The one act play contest is going to be held in Clearbrook on January 19<sup>th</sup>. The Oklee students are presenting the play, "Rag Doll" written and directed by Mr. Norquist.

**Forty Years Ago**  
**December 23, 1976**

Three were named to city jobs — Phyllis Melby was appointed bookkeeper of the Oklee Municipal Liquor Store, Daniel Stawarski as manager of the Municipal Liquor Store, and K.B. Knuton as City Clerk.

A daughter, Laura Ann, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Glen Vettleson on December 14<sup>th</sup> and is welcomed by her brother Shane.

The Oklee Bobcat Wrestling squad lost a tough one to Waubun last Thursday with a score of 25 — 21.

**Thirty Years Ago**  
**December 24, 1986**

Kari and David Hamm of Warroad announce the arrival of their son, Christopher, born December 18<sup>th</sup> at Northwestern Hospital in Thief River Falls.

Ruth Olson visited at the Gary Munter home, north of Fosston on Sunday afternoon for birthday cake and ice cream with her granddaughter Karianne, who will be seven on Christmas Eve.

Eldora Paradis, Postmaster

at Goodridge since April 1985, has been appointed postmaster at Plummer effective December 20, 1986.

**Twenty Years Ago**  
**December 25, 1996**

Snow, wind, snow, wind, snow, wind, snow, cold...what else is new? It seems we had already run the gamut of cold, cold temperatures and lots of snow — but we are hearty up here in this land. We will make it.

Dave and Kelly Krueger returned home to Plummer on Wednesday evening after spending six days in Wisconsin visiting with family and friends.

Clara Peterson and Joni Bjerklie took Emily and Lucas into Gully on Saturday to attend Santa Claus Day.

**Ten Years Ago**  
**December 21, 2006**

The Oklee Volunteer Firemen and the Oklee Ambulance personnel are working together to stop another tragedy from happening in our community. The effort is in memory of Bree Peters, who along with her parents, died in a house fire that had no working smoke detectors.

Willie Katschke attended the bridal shower of Jessica Brinkman on Saturday afternoon in Plummer. Jessica is the bride to be of Ross Arlt.

Stephanie Smith, from Mrs. Bishop's 6<sup>th</sup> grade class, was the winner in the recent poster contest sponsored by the SADD's.

## Senior Site News and Other Things

By Volunteer Iona Berry

Today is a really icy day. The sun is shining bravely, but, it is wasting it's time as I checked the thermometer and it shows 15 below. It was even worse earlier as it showed minus 26!

We have lost two people to death this past week. Rose Mandt passed away last Sunday. Rose was a volunteer at the site for many years when she delivered meals to shut-ins. Her funeral was Friday.

Then later in the week, John Fournier passed away. Both of them had been in a nursing home. John used to regularly get meals at the site.

Our Bingo Christmas Party was a huge success. There were a lot of guests who came for a treat. All of the Bingo prizes were donated by guests. Everyone was happy with their gifts.

This coming week will be

a busy one if you haven't purchased your Christmas gifts. The stores will be very busy.

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**Dates to Remember**  
**Dec. 24:** Christmas Eve  
**Dec. 25:** Christmas Day  
**Jan. 3:** 5:00 p.m. Evening meal at Cafe.

**Jan. 17:** 5:00 p.m. Potluck meal at Cafe.

**Jan. 19:** 10:00 a.m. Senior Site Council meeting.

**Jan. 20:** 11:30 a.m. Birthday Meal.

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### Words of Wisdom

Conduct your life so that your character protects you and your efforts reward you.

Success is when you've got more than you want. Happiness is when you're happy with what you've got.

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## Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

It is Monday and the weather threw us a bit of snow this morning but it looks as though it is clearing up for a nice windy day. The sun is coming out now so we are in the clear.

There is so much going on now, with programs and preparation for Christmas. Yesterday at St. Joseph's in Brooks, there was a Christmas program after mass. The title was "I Didn't Think It Would Happen Like This," the children

did a great job and sang some carols. It is the dream of every child to get up and show their stuff to the parents even though they seem to do their part kicking and screaming through out it all. It is a rite of passage. A great big hand clap to those youngsters who did their part in the program.

The holiday train went through Plummer on Monday and I missed it after telling everyone else to go see it, I forgot. Another sign of old age. Senioritis is getting to me. I heard that it was a great success though.

The Determans held their annual Christmas gathering at their home on this past weekend. Jess and Heidi, Emma, Elizabeth, and Mikalya, Brianna and Kyle Wanner and, Andrew, James and Felicity, Brad, Macie, and Aubrey Determan, Aaron and Meg Camden, Kaydence and Colton and Jamie Determan all joined in the festivities. The gift opening was chaos, but everybody had a great time.

There are so many people to thank for their Santa hearts. Those ladies who facilitated the Christmas program for the children. They did a wonderful job getting the kids program off the ground. Vi Bruggeman, the little elf, did the costumes.

### Joke Time

A lawyer had successfully handled a difficult case for a wealthy friend. Following the happy outcome of the case, the friend and client called on the lawyer, expressed his appreciation of his work, and handed him a handsome Moroccan leather wallet.

The lawyer looked at the wallet in astonishment and handed it back with a sharp reminder that a wallet could not possibly compensate him for his services. "My fee for that work," acidly snapped the attorney, "is five hundred dollars."

The client opened the wallet, removed a one-thousand dollar bill, replaced it with a five hundred dollar bill, and handed it back to the lawyer with a smile.

Thank you for taking time out for us.

The decorating of the church for Christmas was done on Wednesday. So many people came to help. Barb Schmitz, Del and Cindy Determan, Roger Gallant, and Joanne Bradley, Alice Jobe, Deb Champagne, Pam Gieseke, Vi Bruggeman and Diane Gagner, and Jess Determan all helped with decorating the church. It looks very nice and helps to get into the season. Thanks to all of you.

The person of the week is shy so the name won't be published. Pam Paradis elected this person to be honored for the person of the week. This person was the Santa Claus of the parish, and donated a beautiful Christmas Nativity scene for display. The old one had a couple of broken pieces and repairing them were out of the question. So a new one was purchased and donated to St. Joseph's. Thank you Santa elf for your generous gift.

We hope your Christmas is full of the light of Christ who was born and has brought light to the world. Go to services at whatever church you attend and think of the love God gave to us. Celebrate His coming. Enjoy your family and all the fun of the holiday. Merry Christmas.



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Wednesday, December 21, 2016

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Warmest thoughts and  
Best Wishes for a  
Wonderful Holiday and a very  
Happy New Year

**Oklee Cafe**  
796-5666 • Oklee

Warmest greetings of the  
Season and best wishes for  
Happiness in the New Year  
with Christmas Blessings.

**Paradis, Inc.**  
218-698-4613 • Brooks

Wishing you health and  
happiness this holiday season  
and in the year to come!

**E & L  
Electric Inc.**  
796-5478

Hope, Health and  
Prosperity in 2017!  
Warm Holiday Wishes

**Oklee Economic  
Development Ass'n**  
796-5183

Celebrate the Wonder  
and the Joy  
of the Holiday Season.

**Garden Valley  
Telephone Company**  
800-448-8260 • Erskine

With every wish for  
a very Merry Christmas  
and the Happiest of New Years.

**Carol's  
Cozy Bar & Grill**  
698-4608 • Brooks

Have a Magical  
Holiday!

**Plummer Co-op  
Creamery Ass'n**  
465-4215

May the Spirit of Christmas  
be with you  
throughout the New Year.

**CHS-Northwest  
Grain**  
796-5125 • Oklee

Glad Tidings for  
Christmas and a  
Happy New Year.

**SECURITY STATE  
BANK**  
796-5157 • Oklee

Wishing you all the  
Special Blessings of  
this Glorious Season!

**Oklee-Brooks-  
Pummer Ambulance  
Service "911"**

May the Holiday Spirit be  
with your Family  
Today and Throughout the  
New Year

**Classic Cuts**  
Brooks

Wishing You  
all the Special Blessings  
of the New Year.

**Brooks Community  
Federal Credit Union**  
698-4220

Wishing you Joy and Peace  
at Christmas and  
throughout the New Year.

**Johnson's  
Funeral Service**  
Red Lake Falls & Oklee

It's the little things  
that matter most!  
Enjoy the Holidays.

**Red Lake County  
Coop - Cenex**  
Oklee • Brooks • Plummer

May all the joys of  
Christmas fill your  
heart  
throughout the New Year.

**Sollie Realty**  
Fosston

Wishing you all the  
Hope, Wonder and Joy  
that the Season can bring!

**Oklee American  
Legion**

Family and Friends  
are a wonderful part  
of Christmas!

**Swenson Trailer  
Sales / Mini Storage**  
Oklee

May the joys and blessings  
of the Holiday Season  
be yours throughout the year.

**Red Lake Electric  
Cooperative**  
Red Lake Falls

With all good wishes to you  
and your family for health and  
happiness throughout the  
coming year.

**Oklee Community  
Club**