

Oklee Precipitation

By Einar Kvasager

	Rain	Snow
Dec. 25		Trace
Dec. 26		2.00
Dec. 27		0.50
Dec. 28		Trace
Dec. 29		0.25
Dec. 30		Trace
Total in.	0.00	2.75

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Oklee Herald

...AND CONTINUING THE PLUMMER PIONEER

OKLEE (RED LAKE COUNTY) MINN. 56742



Nominee of Hotrod of the Year has ties to local area

Richard Myrum restored his Grandpa Oscar Qualley's 1935 pick-up which has been nominated by the Minnesota Street Rod Association for the Hotrod of the Year to be announced on January 28, 2017. It had its debut on April 9, 2016 at the Gopher State Timing Association Car Show.

Richard Myrum attended Oklee High School until 1967 when his parents, Bernell and Evelyn Myrum (Qualley) moved to Pengilly, Minnesota where he still resides. Bernell passed away in 1987 and Evelyn in 2007, at which time he decided it was to restore Grandpa's pick-up.

He purchased the 1935 pick-up in 1975, for \$35 from Grandpa Qualley, who resided near Gully, Minnesota. Grandpa purchased it in the early 1950's. However, it had been parked in the woods and had deteriorated to the point that there was no

paint left, except some red on the firewall.

This project took 8 years of commitment to complete restoration. The parts were all sandblasted and primed. Then a wood kit was ordered from Dave Entler Restorations in Pennsylvania. This model had a substantial amount of wood framing in the cab and doors which were destroyed by the elements as Grandpa had it parked outside in the woods for 20 years. The pick-up box was completely replaced because of its poor condition. Grandpa Qualley had used it for a trailer.

A 1979 Chevy rear end from Bob and Don Olson's Salvage was put in the truck. Richard used his 350 rebuilt Chevy engine that he had from his 1962 Corvette and 1957 Chevy. The engine is equipped with an Edelbrock carburetor, manifold and stainless steel headers. The larger engine required that the

frame be boxed to accommodate its size. When parts were not available, they had to be custom made.

Other features were added, such as heating and air-conditioning, independent front suspension, rack and pinion steering, stainless steel A frames, stainless steel bumpers, wire wheels, disc brakes and coil covers.

The vehicle stayed 15 months at Unique Auto Body in Blaine, MN for its custom painting. During that time, it was sent to Premier Upholstery in Rogers, MN for a custom black leather interior. He painted it Millie Miglia red.

Richard Myrum has also restored a 1962 Corvette and a 1957 Chevy Bellaire. He is presently restoring a 1935 Chevy Convertible Roadster, which is one of only 535 that were manufactured.

The Year in Review

January 6, 2016: The family of Gloria Rustan, formerly of Oklee, shared their musical talents with the residents of Greenleaf Assisted Living Center in Thief River Falls on Saturday, January 2nd.

The Oklee Moonlighters Snowmobile Club is sponsoring an Online Based Snowmobile Safety Class in Oklee.

On Wednesday, Ann Traxler, Karen Tvedt, Renae Fallon, Jeanine Pahlen, Alice Jobe, Loretta Hesse, Bunny DuChamp, Anna DeHate, Connie Hughes, Wilma Arlt and Emilie Skjerven, all enjoyed going to the Cozy in Brooks for dinner. The food was good and they did a lot of visiting.

Christmas weekend guests at Mike and Sandy Greenwald's were Adam & Sheena Buckhouse, and family, Cheryl & Jeremy Schiele and family of Jamestown, ND, Patti and Dave Glennon and family of Casselton, ND. Also Byron Baune and Rich, Bob Baune, Kelly and Jayden, Jolayne, Mindy and Tracy. Gary and Joan Carpenter

January 13, 2016: On the 7 & 8 of January, Oklee Inn and Fitness held an open house to showcase their new operation in the former Freedom Living Center.

Advertising: The Oklee Moonlighters Snowmobile Club will once again hosting their Snowmobile Safari Ride – their 49th year on January 23rd. So gather your sledding gear for the ride.

On January 5th, the first Red Lake County Commissioners meeting of the year was held with all members present. Nominations were called for the position of Chairperson and Chuck Simpson was nominated. Nominations for the vice chair was next with a nomination for Anthony Flage. County newspaper was next on the agenda. The bids were opened

and the Oklee Herald received the bid due to the fact the Oklee Herald is interested in the county's business and are usually at the meetings.

The Red Lake County American Cancer Society Board met recently to honor Ruth Schultz in her retirement after 27 years as a volunteer with the ACS Board. Those celebrating with Ruth were Mary Lynn Bachand, Dianne Gagner, Ruth Schultz, Sandy Bertilrud, Arlene Froiland, Debbie DuChamp, Barb Melby, Bev Schmitz, Carol Chaput, Ginny Stoneouse, and Karen Schirrick.

RLCC November Students of the Month were seventh grader Adriel Bakken and twelfth grader Brandi Jensen. Bakken was nominated by Mrs. Patty Mickelson and Jensen by Mr. Steven Strutz.

A wrestling triangular was held in Oklee on Tuesday, January 5th. The teams wrestling were Red Lake County Central Mustangs, MayPort Clifford Galesburg Patriots and the Roseau Rams.

Spotlight on Scholarship Certificates were given to Football players Dawson Rystad, Connor Lambert, Zoe Russillo, Nick Pahlen, Matthew Vettleson, Tyler Jensen, Seth Paradis, Ethan Vettleson, Dylan Gustafson, Brandon Lee, Talon Porter, Makay Berns, Austin Waliser, Marcus Christensen, Alan Neme, Brendan Kruger, Devin Lambert, and Seth Johnson.

The weather has certainly been nice and warm, temperatures hitting 30 and 32 degrees, but mostly in the 20's. Alice Jobe went skiing the previous Friday, New Years Day. Also went Wednesday.

Some areas in North Dakota got heavy snow fall, over 10 inches. Fosston and Bemidji were supposed to get a lot of snow also.

January 20, 2016: TJ's Tavern hosted guest bartenders for charity on Friday, 1/8/2016, first up was Kim Vettleson & Wyatt Vettleson who raised \$650 donated to the Oklee Community Club for the Youth Sports programs. TJ's will have more upcoming guest bartenders in the next few months, check with TJ's or follow them on Facebook for updates. Pictured with the check: Grace Dessellier (Oklee Community Club), Wyatt Vettleson, Kim Vettleson, Norm Columbe (TJ's).

Councilman Halle presented the council with a letter of resignation. He will/has moved and this meeting will be his last meeting. The Council accepted his resignation and hopes his future endeavors work in his favor. Melby accepted the resignation, Bergerson

seconded, carried. Cross was told to get an ad in the paper requesting letters to be submitted to the Council for the open Council Seat.

RLCC junior Dylan Gustafson and senior Tristan Larson, both were awarded undefeated wrestler awards at the Mahnomen Dual Tournament.

December Students of the Month at RLCC: ninth grader Jarissa Bailey and eleventh grader Ana Almeida. Bailey was nominated by Mr. Bryan Paskvan and Almeida was nominated by Mrs. Anita Bachand.

It is Sunday night and the coldest night of the year. According to the weather reports, the cold spell is ending and by Tuesday, it should be back to the 20's for the high.

On Wednesday, eleven ladies "Red Hats" went out for dinner to Carol's Cozy in Brooks. The special was BBQ riblets which most everyone had. It was delicious. Joanne Bradley won the quarter pot. Winners of the other drawings were Louise, Myrtle H and Ann Traxler. The ladies also sang "Happy Birthday" to Joanna Bradley whose birthday was the 13th and also Bunny DuChamps, whose birthday is January 23rd.

January 27, 2016: Red Lake County Central Mustangs wrestling Parents Night was on January 21. The senior wrestlers are Ben Kolling (parents Jean Agnes and Ernest Kolling), Tristan Larson (Leah and Jarod Larson), and Tyler Sandal (Don and Tracy Winand).

Junior wrestlers, managers and parents at RLCC Parents Night: Alec Castaneda with Travis and Monica Castaneda, Kyle Gagner with Char and Poncho Gagner, Dylan Gustafson with Troy Gustafson, Kelsie Sirjord with Jesi and Kyle Dudycha, and Ana Almedia with Sara Olson.

RLCC sophomore wrestlers Bryce Bergerson and Nick Pahlen, and their parents Patti and Kent Bergerson and Steve Pahlen and Stacy Pahlen at the Parents Night in Oklee.

Celebrating 50 years of wrestling at RLCC/Oklee, the team wore past Mustangs and Bobcats wrestling singlet outfits. Students wearing the singlets were Tristan Larson, Alec Castaneda, Dylan Gustafson, Bryce Bergerson, George Duden, Tristyn Ferguson, Nick Pahlen, Kyle Gagner, and Tyler Sandahl.

Nine ladies went to Sunview in Red Lake Falls for dinner this Friday. Chicken breast, mashed potatoes, salad, pear sauce and chocolate chip cookies was served. Connie H., Wilma A., Karen T., Ann T., Alice J., Jean C., Anna D., Bunny D., and Emilie S. went.

Oklee Activity Club Christmas Lighting

Winners:

- Larry and Rose Skallet - City
- Arlan and Sheryl Fore - Rural

Calendar of Events

- Wed, Jan. 4:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
- Thu, Jan. 5:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.
- Fri, Jan. 6:**
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
- Sat, Jan. 7:**
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
- Sun, Jan. 8:**
-Worship at the church of your choice.
- Mon, Jan. 9:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
- Tue, Jan. 10:**
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards.
-LSS Sr. Evening Meal – 5:00 p.m.
- Wed, Jan. 11:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
- Thu, Jan. 12:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.
- Fri, Jan. 13:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
- Sat, Jan. 14:**
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
- Sun, Jan. 15:**
-Worship at the church of your choice.
- Mon, Jan. 16:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.



Special thank you to Stacy Hofstad representing Bell Bank out of Fargo, ND. Their 'pay it forward' program donated \$1,000 to ICCC.

Since December 2007 through December 2016 this program has donated 10 million dollars.

Employees get to designate who it gets given to locally.

Pictured is Catherine Johnson, Director of ICCC and Stacy Hofstad.

Huot Hustlers 4-H Club met at Sunview Comm. room



Residents of Sunview Center enjoyed making ice-cream with the Huot Hustlers 4-H Group.

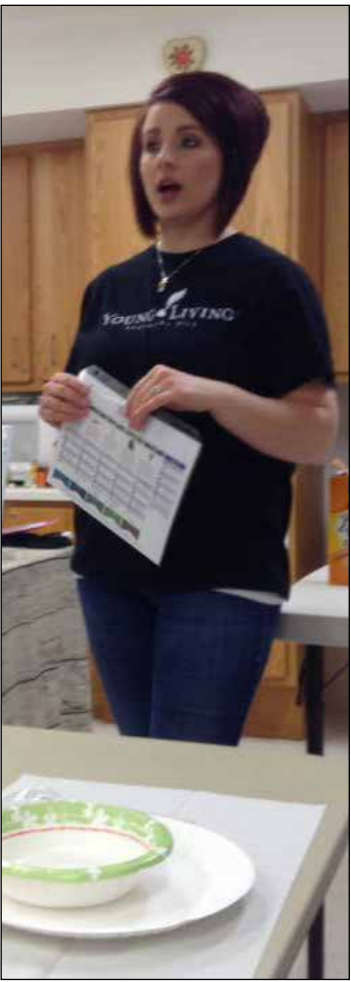


Huot Hustler 4-H Members making ice-cream with the residents at Sunview Center in Red Lake Falls.

The Huot Hustlers 4H club met on November 27th at the Sunview Community Room in Red Lake Falls. There were 15 members, 9 adults, and one guest speaker present. We started with our science/health activity of making Fizzing Bath Bombs. Jeannie Lato, our guest speaker, gave a presentation on the benefits of Essential Oils (one of the ingredients in the Bath Bombs). Each person present had the opportunity to create a unique Fizzing Bath Bomb to take home. After the activity we had our business meeting. The Secretary and Treasurer's Reports were given and approved. We finalized some of our plans for the next three months which include our Christmas Party with the residents of Sunview Center in RLF on December 11th; Cross-Country Skiing at the Agassiz Environmental Learning Center in Fertile on January 22nd; and Downhill Skiing at Buena Vista Ski Area in Bemidji on February 20th.

On Sunday, December 11th the Huot Hustlers 4H club hosted a Christmas Party for the residents of Sunview Center in Red Lake Falls. There were 14 members, 8 adults and 11 guests present. We made Old Fashioned Ice Cream in a Bag. The 4H families brought a variety of treats to eat. Entertainment consisted of some of the 4H members singing, playing the piano, violin and harpsicord and

we also sang some Christmas Carols.



Jeannie Lato gave a presentation to the Huot Hustlers 4-H Group on the, "Benefits of Essential Oils."

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Margaret Jacobus
Wed, Jan. 4: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Classes.
Sun, Jan. 8: 9:00 a.m. Zion (C). 9:00 a.m. SS at Salem. 10:15 a.m. SS at Zion. 10:30 a.m. Salem.
Mon, Jan. 9: 9:00 a.m. Quilting at Zion.
Wed, Jan. 11: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Classes.

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

BROOKS – RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bob Schreiner
Sat, Jan. 7: 5:30 p.m. RLF
Sun, Jan. 8: 8:00 a.m. Brooks. 10:00 a.m. RLF.

IMMANUEL–EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, Jan. 8: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer. 10:30 Worship at Immanuel.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Bethany–Ekelund–Faith Pastor Kristen Ostercamp
Wed, Jan. 4: No Confirmation.
Sun, Jan. 8: 8:30 a.m. Faith, 9:45 a.m. SS; 9:45 a.m. Bethany, 11:00 a.m. SS. 11:00 a.m. Ekelund, 9:45 a.m. SS.
Mon, Jan. 9: 9:30 a.m. Faith Quilting with potluck.
Tue, Jan. 10: 6:00 p.m. Shalom Circle.
Wed, Jan. 11: Release Time. Confirmation.

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The schedule is different starting December 2016.
For Polk, Red Lake and Clearwater county stops:
Every Monday – Grand Forks.
Every 2nd Tuesday – Mahnomen.
Every 4th Tuesday – Thief River Falls
Every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesday – Fargo/Moorhead.
Every 2nd & 4th Friday – Bemidji.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive – Nazareth Oak Park – St. Petri Pastor Jeff Merseth
Wed, Jan. 4: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.
Sat, Jan. 7: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, Jan. 8: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. SS. 9:45 a.m. Oak Park, 8:00 a.m. SS. 11:00 a.m. Nazareth, 10:a.m. SS.
Wed, Jan. 11: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School/Confirmation.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, Jan. 4: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Thu, Jan. 5: 12:00 p.m. Rotary.
Fri, Jan. 6: 8:45 a.m. Friday School.
Sun, Jan. 1: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:50 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, Jan. 10: LSS Staff meeting.
Wed, Jan. 11: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund Sand Valley Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, Jan. 8: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Lund. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Sand Valley.
BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston
Seth Johnson, Inter Pastor
Sun, Jan. 8: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

Oklee Senior Site Dining

January 9 - 13
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: Grilled cheese, chili, tossed salad, and dessert.
Tuesday: Pancake, ½ pc. ham, 1 egg, and dessert.
Wednesday: Roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, veg, and dessert.
Thursday: Hamburger on bun, potato bacon soup, and dessert.
Friday: Grilled chicken, stuffed baked potato, toast, and dessert.

LSS Caregivers Group meets January 12th
The Thief River Falls Caregiver Group will meet on Thursday, January 12th at 10:00 a.m. at the Heritage Senior Center located at 301 E. 4th St, Thief River Falls.
These groups are open to all caregivers.
There is no charge. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Jaime Hemphill at 218-850-8616.
This project is made possible in part, under the Federal Older American's Act through a contract with the Land of the Dancing Sky AAA under an Area Plan approved by the Minnesota Board on Aging.

Thank You Oklee Quilting!

A BIG thank you goes out to Oklee Quilting for donating a BEAUTIFUL quilt to Pioneer Memorial Care Center.

PMCC raffled away tickets to raise money for their Spa Room renovation throughout the month of November into early December.

PMCC was able to raise over \$1500 from the raffle!

PMCC has raised over \$17,000 since June 2016, and is continuing to take donations. Our goal is to raise \$30,000. We will begin renovations of the Spa Room in Spring of 2017.

Thank you to all who donated!!! Thank you to Oklee Quilting again!!!

If you would still like to donate, contact Tyler Champ @ Pioneer @ 218-687-2365 *223 or topmcc@gvel.com. Cash or Checks made payable to PMCC foundation always accepted.



The lucky winner was Alison Bernier of Thief River Falls, Mn

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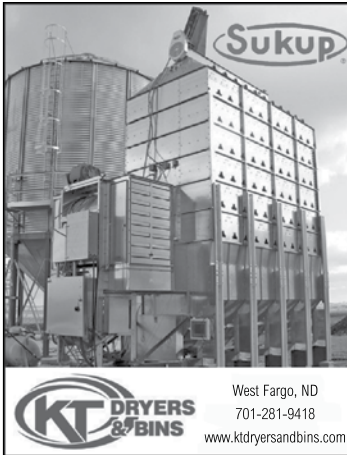
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Sudoku Solution

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



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Search for Miss Teen Red Lake County Announced

If you are female, single, never been married between the ages of 13 to 18 years, applications are being accepted for the title of “2017” Miss Teen Red Lake County”!!! Miss Teen Red Lake County! will represent her county at the Miss Teen Minnesota pageant, which will be held at the “Wellstone Center”, April 29th, 2017 in the city of St. Paul, Minnesota..

The young lady chosen as “Miss Teen Red Lake County” will become an ambassador from the Red Lake County area

and will receive an official title and sash!

The young lady chosen as Miss Teen Minnesota will receive a prize package and College scholarship totaling \$30,000 and the chance to represent Minnesota at the “2017” Miss Teen International pageant in Charleston, West Virginia in July.

The “American Heart Association’s” Go for Red for Women” is the official Charity of the Miss Teen Minnesota Pageant.

The current reigning “2016”

Miss Teen Minnesota is Kelly Brown of Inver Grove Heights. As Miss Teen Minnesota, Kelly speaks out on “See the Person... Not the Disability!” Kelly’s two brothers were born with intellectual disabilities as a result of a blood order called “thalassemia”. One brother is higher functioning but the other brother has difficulty communicating. Kelly says, “It is hurtful and frustrating when I see others only focus on their disabilities, which is what they have but not who they are. By partnering with The Arc organization, it is my goal to protect of those with disabilities and support their inclusion and participation in our community.” For more information go to: www.thearc.org.

Teens will compete in Personal Interview, Fitness Wear, Fun Fashion Wear and Evening Gown. (There is no talent or swimsuit competition)!!!

Young teen ladies living in Red Lake County interested in applying should write for bio-form to:

Miss Teen Minnesota International Pageant
P.O. Box 240537
Apple Valley, Mn 55124-0537
Or call for information: (952) 432-6758 or Fax (952) 953-3896
E mail: pagunltd@frontiernet.net.

Red Lake Falls Library News

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

The first of the Minnesota Library Legacy events for 2017 presented by the Red Lake Falls branch of NWRL will be the Macalester College

Pipe Band, bringing a small ensemble of bagpipes & drums, along with several dancers to perform next Monday, January 9 at 1:00 pm at the Red Lake Falls City Hall.

****Note the change of location to the city hall, from previously advertised location of library building.** This event is free and open to the public.

As the Winter Reading Program "Hot Reads for Cold Nights" gets underway, adult patrons are invited to stop in and register to win a ceramic hot-beverage mug, and browse the "new" items that will be arriving each week as part of NWRL's floating collection.

January ECFE Events
By: Sydnie Gunderson
Recognizing that parents are a child's first and most significant teachers, Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) offers a variety of classes and resources for parents and children birth up to kindergarten age. ECFE helps build healthy families and sets the stage for parent involvement and children's success. Parents are invited to bring their children to the following three fun nights in January.

The first class on **Thursday, January 5th** is Infants and Toddlers Music and Movement at the Oklee site at 6:00-7:00 p.m. There will be no soup served that night but we will be making trail mix! We will be reading “Rosie’s Walk” and going on a cool obstacle course trail using flashlights. Our

make and take project will be a dancing flag so we can dance around to lots of music!!

Thursday, January 12th will be the second class, **Family Fun Gym Night** at the Oklee site at 6:00-7:00 p.m. for 0-5 year olds. Join us for soup and sandwiches, and then get up and move in the gym with lots of fun activities for you to try. Get some exercise and have fun!

On Thu, January 26th, ECFE Book Bingo will be held at the Plummer Site at 6:00-7:00 p.m. for 3-5 year olds. Start with the alphabet tomato soup and sandwiches, and then we will be playing different kinds of Bingo games to win books for your home library!

Grandparents and other adult or other family members are always welcome to attend the three upcoming ECFE events!

Centennial Recipe Corner

Salted Nut Squares Sue Beaudoin

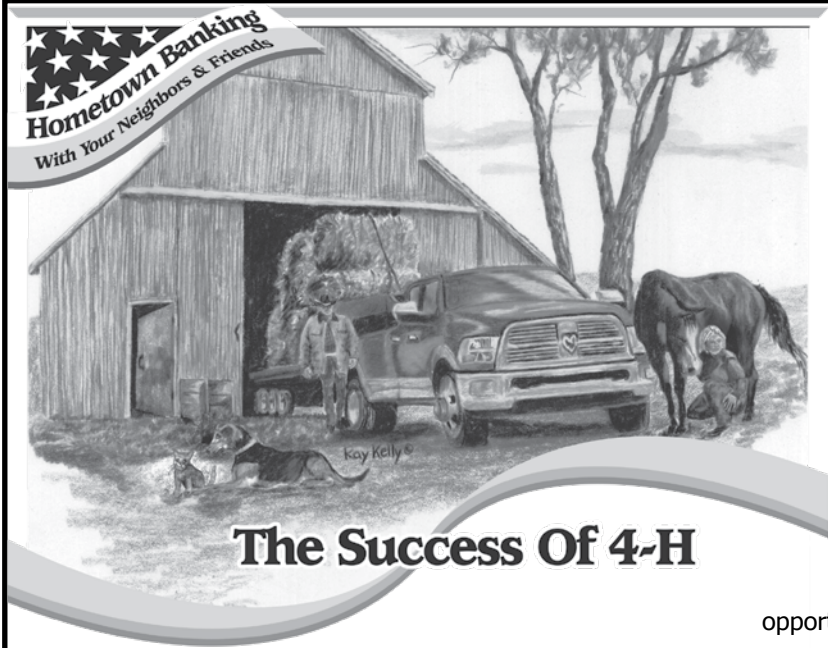
3 cups salted peanuts, without skins
2-1/2 Tbsp butter or margarine
2 cups (12 oz) peanut butter chips
1 can sweetened condensed milk
2 cups miniature marshmallows



Place half the peanuts in an ungreased 11 x 7 pan. Set aside. In a saucepan melt the butter and peanut butter chips over low heat. Remove from heat. Add the milk and marshmallows. Stir until melted. Pour over peanuts. Sprinkle the remaining peanuts on top. Cover and refrigerate. Cut into bars.

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RLCC Sports Schedules

RLC Rebel Varsity

Boys Basketball

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.

Fri, Feb. 17: Against Sacred heart in *Sacred Heart* at 6:00 p.m.

Tues, Feb. 21: F-Bin *Fertile* at 6:00 p.m.

Mustang Wrestling

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

Feb. 24-25: Team Individual, DGF. TBD

Lady Mustang Varsity

Basketball 2016-17

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-Benai 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.

Fri, Feb. 10: Against Sacred heart in *Sacred Heart* at 6:00 p.m.

Thu, Feb. 16: Against BGMR in *Plummer* at 6:00 p.m.

Fri, Feb. 17: Against Goodrdige-Grygla in *Goodridge* at 6:00 p.m.

Tues, Feb. 21: Parent's Night; Against Mahnomen in *Plummer* at 6:00 p.m.

Thu, Feb. 23: Against Bagley in *Oklee* at 6:00 p.m.

Tues, Feb. 28: Pig Tail at High Seed at 7:00 p.m.

Thu, Mar. 2: Play-In Game at *UMC/NCTC* at 6:00 p.m.

Sat, Mar. 4: Section 8A ¼ at *REA in TRF-TBD*

Tues, Mar. 7: Section 8A Semi at *REA in TRF-TBD*

Fri, Mar. 10: Section 8A Final at *REA in TRF*. TBD

Mar. 14-18: State Tourney - various locations-TBD

Wednesday, January 4, 2017

RLCC Menus

January 9 - 13

Oklee

Mon: Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken fajita, refried beans, Spanish rice, fruit, and milk.

Tue: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Rib patty w/bun, potato logs, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Wed: Breakfast: Apple turnover, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Ham patty, curly fries, vegetable, fruit, and milk.

Thu: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken strips, scalloped potatoes, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Fri: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Hot dogs, or polish, baked beans, chips, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Mon: Breakfast: Waffles, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Homemade chicken noodles soup, cheese & crackers, salad, cucumbers, warm soft pretzels, fruit, and milk.

Tue: Breakfast: Grab & Go bags (meets all dietary guidelines, and milk. **Lunch:** Tacos, hash browns, yogurt, fruit, and milk.

Wed: Breakfast: Scrambled egg & ham, cereal, fruit, juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Pork riblet, au gratin potatoes, corn cob, fruit, and milk.

Thu: Breakfast: Egg wrap, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli Normandy, tea roll, fruit, and milk.

Fri: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, salad bar, garlic bread sticks, fruit, and milk.

2016 RLCC Scholarship Winners

A reminder to students who were awarded the following scholarships in spring of 2016: Joan Bronken Scholarship, Marvin Bronken Scholarship, National Farmers Organization Scholarship, Red Lake Electric Scholarship, Red Lake Country Central Community Service Scholarship, Tim and Donna Swenson Scholarship, Vincent and Shirley Dessellier Scholarship, Lorna Wicks Scholarship. You need to bring or mail to the RLCC office in Oklee: proof that you successfully finished 1st semester of schooling (a copy of your first semester grades) and proof of enrollment for 2nd semester.

Checks then will be issued to you shortly after, at the address you indicate you want them sent to. Mrs. Cote will not be in the office the week of December 26th. But back in on January 3rd.

Those receiving organization sponsored scholarships are to send their paperwork to the organization directly.

Oklee Open Gym

Oklee Gym is open on Saturdays. 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 New Year's Eve, December 31st.

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

Oklee Ice Skating Rink Open

By Marie Johnson

The ice skating rink in Oklee has been opened. The rink is open Monday to Friday 3:30 pm to 8:00 pm, Saturdays 9:00 am to 8:00 pm, and Sundays 12 noon to 8:00 pm. The ice skating rink is open to the public. The skating rink will remain closed on days of home school events.

During Christmas break the rink will be open every day from 9 am to 8 pm. The skating rink is sponsored by RLCC Community Education.



Beaudoin makes aprons for Oklee preschool

By Marie Johnson

The Oklee School Readiness preschoolers have been busy playing in the dramatic play area with their new cooking aprons on. Sue Beaudoin graciously made and donated cooking aprons for their preschool room. The dramatic play area is a big hit in their classroom and adding the aprons makes it even more enjoyable for the students to use their imaginations while pretending to cook and run a restaurant. The School Readiness Program would like to extend their thanks to Sue for making the aprons for their classroom.

Oklee School Readiness preschoolers Ryleigh Sherman, Aaliyah Bramer, Fayth Stordahl, and Hattie Moll wearing their new cooking aprons while playing.

RLCC High School Concert held Dec. 22nd



RLCC's junior high band played several holiday selections for the high school before Christmas break.



Mrs. Patty Mickelson organized a mini-Christmas concert for RLCC High School. Performing is the senior high band.



The senior high and junior high bands joined to play a couple fun selections for the high school students on December 22.

Oklee Herald Early Files

Seventy Years Ago
January 9, 1947
Rev. and Mrs. J.K. Lerohl and Arthur visited with Robert Lerohl at Lake Park on Tuesday.

Walter Falardeau has returned to his home after being employed in Glenwood for the past four months.

Phyllis Fore of Minneapolis, who has spent her Christmas vacation with home folks, returned to Minneapolis the first part of the week.

Sixty Years Ago
January 3, 1957
Mrs. Evelyn Pregge entertained 14 youngsters at a birthday party in honor of her granddaughter, Sherry Myrum.

A new hog-harrowing barn that should please the most particular pig is expected to produce more volume with proportionally greater profits and less work for John Reinbold who farms near Brooks.

On Wednesday of last week the old St. Joseph's Church was moved to a new location on the Main Street where it will be remodeled and used by the Brooks/Terrebonne American Legion.

Fifty Years Ago
January 5, 1967
Ronnie Skallet returned to his National Guard duties in Fort Leonard Wood, MO. Larry Skallet, Gary Austad, and David Femrite took him to Minneapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kimball (nee Lila Rustan) of Arlington, VA, are the parents of a baby girl born December 30th and

was named Stephani Lila. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Loiland and family were Christmas Day dinner guests at the Ordean Flatland home.

Earl Leiran, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddy Leiran of TRF and Louise Bourque, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bourque were married in a double ring ceremony at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church.

Forty Years Ago
January 6, 1977
The cities of Brooks and Oklee are faced with a continuing problem to begin our new year: Where can we legally dump our trash?

John Corbid has been appointed to the House Appropriations, Financial Institutions and Insurance, and Local & Urban Affairs Committees by Speaker of the MN House of Representatives, Martin Sabo.

Barbara Solien will be the new bookkeeper at the Oklee Lumber Yard and is replacing Betty Melby, who retired after 29 years at the Lumber Yard.

Thirty Years Ago
January 7, 1987

For the second time in less than a year, the Brooks Hartz store has a new owner, Verla and Stephen Asselin who purchased the store in March 1985 from Kermit Genereux.

Mark Parenteau of Brooks caught a 25 pound northern while ice fishing at Lake Kabetogma, near International Falls on December 19th.

Brittney Lorraine was born on January 4th to parents Mr. and Mrs. Peter Mosbeck (Janet Brown).

Twenty Years Ago
January 8, 1997

Phyllis Mostrum from St. Paul came to her parent's home on Christmas Day and she spent 2 days in town visiting the Steve Fossell home and she left for her home on Saturday morning.

A 34' x 60' pole shed on Larry O'Neill's farm collapsed early New Year's morning due to snow.

It is going to be strange – Carolyn Rystad will no longer be a barber in her own shop. Instead she will be selling the products she has been using in the shop.

Ten Years Ago
January 4, 2007

A farewell appreciation party was held at the County Courthouse on Tuesday for Nancy Haglund and Ed Larson. Haglund served for 12 years, and Larson for 16 years.

A storm is brewing south of us and will bring at least flurries this weekend.

Friday night supper guests of Joyce Tougas were Vincent & Shirley Dessellier, Clay & Carol Haugen, Darrell & Sandra Tougas, Tyler Tougas, Jenny O'Neill and Peyton from Oklee; Alan & Deb Swanson and boys, Aaron & Michael of Goodridge; Dean & Amy Tougas and Tori, Tanner and Tali of Mooreton, ND.

Jodi Kuznia has been collecting Nativity scenes for more than 20 years and accumulated more than 250 Nativity scenes. She also has a few that her grandmother, Doris Nelson of Oklee, made for her.

Senior Site News and Other Things

By Volunteer Iona Berry

Monday morning and I am up early to type a news report before the predicted storm arrives. If the "Storm Team" is right, we will have a lot of snow and very low visibility.

I'm sure many people were out and about on New Year's Eve. I stayed at home and watched the New Year arrive in New York City on television. I can't imagine trying to move around on those crowded streets. Many years ago when I was working at the Minneapolis Gas Co., two friends and I made a pact that we were going to go to New York to watch the doings in the year 2000. We planned to go to a restaurant and have tea as we would be

so old by that time. Needless to say, we didn't go. It was fun planning the trip though.

New Year's Day I spent quietly at home. I did take down my Christmas tree and rearrange my living room.

We did not have Bingo during the Holidays. However, this week on Thursday, we will again be having Bingo at 12:30 p.m. Come and join the fun.

The Evening Meal that was scheduled for Jan. 3rd was canceled because of the bad weather.

Dates to Remember
Jan. 5: Bingo
Jan. 17: 5 p.m. Potluck meal at the Cafe.

Plummer News
By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

Gary and Joan Carpenter, of Lake George, stayed at Jean Carpenters. Over Christmas Day they went to Nancy and Randy Pederson's at Thief River Falls. Also Kim and Minette Carpenter and Nick of Hawley, and Judy Kelley.

Russ Carpenter went to his daughter Amy's in the Cities. Also his son Chad, his wife and son Oliver, from Colorado, were there. Chad's mother was there also.

Inga Linder, Ted Linder, Scott Peterson family, Mark Davis family, and Phyllis and Orin Linder were Christmas afternoon and eve guests of Ryan and Ann Ulrich at rural Thief River Falls. Ann is Inga's granddaughter. They enjoyed lutefisk and lefse and other Norwegian and Christmas goodies.

On Christmas Eve, Jim and Debbie DuChamp and Bunny DuChamp were guests of Bobbi and Chris DuChamp's in Erskine.

Then Christmas Day,

Shirley Vettleson, Debbie, Jim and Bunny DuChamp, Steve and Marcy Kloety (TRF), Cathy, Kevin, and Brady Samuelson, of Sarles, ND, and Brady's friend Isabella, went to Chris and Bobbi's. While there they had a 50th birthday party for Kevin Samuelson'. His actual birthday is January 26th. The guys wore Zubaz pants and spiked their hair, wore different styles. The girls wore leg warmers and other styles from the 80's. They must have had a lot of laughs. Candy Stanley, Bunny's daughter, also has the same birthday on January 26th.

Blake DeHate celebrated his 21st birthday on December 26th.

Alice Jobe had Christmas Dinner at her brother Allan Kukowski's. There were twelve in all. Missing were sister, Phyllis, two nieces, Jana and Kari. All three were in Arizona visiting. This year there was no horse and wagon ride, but it was a fun get together and

Jan. 19: 10:00 a.m. Senior Site Council meeting.
Jan. 20: Birthday Meal.

Words of Wisdom
When giving children something difficult to do, give them a choice.

Learn as if life depended on it. It does.

Joke Time
Marvin: I just bought a new suit with two pairs of pants.
Lenny: Well, how do you like it?

Marvin: Fine, only it's too hot wearing two pairs.

Wishing you a Happy New Year!!

lots of good food.

The weather got rather scary later for traveling because of freezing rain and wind. Some left Monday and some Tuesday.

Emilie Skjerven, Jerry and Mike, went for a visit out to California to see her brother-in-law and their uncle.

On Wednesday afternoon, Karen Tvedt had a get together at 2 p.m. Christmas goodies, plus crackers, cheese and sausage platter. The ladies were: Anna DeHate, Jean Carpenter, Bunny DuChamp, and Alice Jobe.

I've skied twice since I wrote the news. There continues to be new snow and the temps have been favorable.

Christmas Day, coming back from up north. In Thief River, on 8th Street Bridge, I saw guys out on the ice by their fish houses, around 3:30. No snowmobiles in sight. The ice can't be too safe for sleds, etc.

Happy New Year to everyone!

Red Lake County Extension Educator

Curtis W. Nyegaard - 218-253-2895

Early Season Cover Crop (Part 2)

As most people are aware, cover crops can provide growers with erosion control, reduce off site movement of nutrients, support the development of soil organic matter, and in some cases provide additional revenue income from the forages or oil seeds that are used as a cover crop. Even though cover crops offer several opportunities to growers who utilize them, from a historical point of view, adoption has been very low. It is estimated that less than 2% of the agricultural land in Minnesota utilizes cover crops at some point in the rotation. Why is this so low? The most obvious reason is associated with the shorter growing season when compared to our neighbors in the South. The reduced growing season offers many challenges to successful integration of cover crops; however there are new techniques that have the potential to overcome these challenges. The most notable technology involves early or late season cover crop inter seeding (i.e. turning cover crops into cash crops). Inter seeding cover crops during the corn or soybean growing season can address some of the potential challenges (e.g. soil moisture and light) associated with shorter growing seasons. Currently the University Minnesota Cover Crop Team and Soil Health Partnership are researching innovative techniques, and equipment necessary to inter seed cover

crops in corn and soybeans.

When considering inter seeding classical cover crops (e.g. rye, clover, radishes, etc.), it is a good idea to review or at least acknowledge some of the core ideas from the discipline of weed science. This not to say that the vast majority of disciplines associated with crop production, most notably: breeding, genetics, entomology, plant pathology and soil fertility are not central to the advancement of cover crops. Much of the understanding concerning cover crops in the Upper Midwest is still in the research phase, and more time, and experiments are needed to fully predict how cover crops will impact cash crop performance. For those risk taking farmers that are interested in planting cover crops, please keep the following items of interest in mind.

1. Set your expectations low and be conservative. With all farming systems there is associated risk, and cover crops are no different.

2. Determine what service you are most interested in such as, erosion control or grazing or cash income.

3. Start with the basics. Cereal rye is almost bulletproof and relatively inexpensive. It establishes well in the summer and in the fall, is winter hardy, and is easier to terminate in the spring than a legume.

For more information, you can contact Scott Wells of

the University of Minnesota Cover Crop Team by e mail at mswells@umn.edu or go to the web at http://z.umn.edu/forages.

Source: M. Scott Wells, University of Minnesota cover Crop Team.

Letter to the Editor

December 21, 2016

Dear President Bachand:

On behalf of the Fargo VA Health Care System patients and staff, I would like to extend our gratitude for the donation of three lap robes and four heart pillows. The time and effort invested in this project reflects your appreciation for our Veterans and for the freedom they provided to all of us while in service to our country.

A simple thank you seems far too small a gesture for the kindness you have shown our Veterans. We appreciate your generosity more than words can say. Thank you for showing your support and care for our nation's heroes!

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,
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Farm Pesticide Applicator Workshops Scheduled

Farmers with Private Pesticide Applicator (PPA) Permits that expire on March 1, 2017 should have received a postcard from the MN Department of Agriculture recently or will in early in January. U of M Extension will also be mailing flyers about renewal workshops that have been scheduled from the middle of January to the middle of February. Farmers can renew permits again this year by 1 of 3 options.

1) Attend a "Renewal Workshop" conducted by U of M Extension staff. Bring an official picture ID like a driver's license; and your current Permit Card if you have it. Bring a check to pay the \$75 permit fee. You must arrive on time and stay for the whole workshop. Attend any workshop that is convenient for you. Workshops are listed in mailed flyers and at the UMN Pesticide Safety website listed below.

2) Work through the written exam that is available now at County Extension Offices. Use the 19th Edition Manual that

was new 5 years ago, as a reference. If needed, the cost of the manual is \$10. Mail the \$75 permit fee along with your test answer sheet in the addressed envelope provided. You can ask County Extension staff about mailing these items to you. They may ask you to prepay for the manual and postage.

3) Work through the exam on line by going to http://z.umn.edu/ppatprogram. The \$75 fee is paid by credit card. The manual can be viewed online. The online test should be running by mid-January of 2017.

People getting the Private Applicator's Permit for the first time, or those with permits that expired PRIOR to March 1, 2017, must use option 2) or 3) to be certified. The "Private" Applicator's Permit is for farm operators who are applying restricted use pesticide products on their own fields. This includes some herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, and other pest control products that are labeled "Restricted Use." Pesticide Safety Education

programs are aimed at safety for applicators and their families along with the general public, the crop, the environment, and the community and food supplies.

For questions about the PPAT process, call your County Extension Office. In Polk County call 218-563-2465. In Clearwater County call 218-694-6151. Cell phone contact is 218-280-1129. Please call ahead before picking up PPAT testing materials as both county offices have limited staffed hours of operation.

The Farm Information Line at 1-800-232-9077 has this information also. The Farm Information Line is answered from 8:30 am - 1:30 pm M-F and will record a message for weather related changes after hours when possible. Always use your best judgment with the weather. Listen to local radio stations or call the coordinating U of M Extension Office before getting on the road.

Renewal Workshops in NW Minnesota include:

Comstock - January 23rd - 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Community Center

New York Mills - January 26th - 10:30 am - 2:30 pm, Ottertail Co. Offices Bldg

Gary - February 7th - 9:00 am - 12:30 pm, American Legion

Roseau - February 8th - 8:30 am - 12:30 pm, Roseau City Center

Crookston - February 9th - 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm, NWROC at UMC

Thief River Falls - February 15th - 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm, NCTC Auditorium

The Commercial and Non-Commercial Applicator certification and recertification process is different. For these licenses contact MN Dept. Ag. at 651-201-6615, search online for Minnesota Department of Agriculture, or call the County Ag Inspector. There are renewal workshops for these early in 2017. Most classes for commercial applicators are in southern part of the state this year as part of their normal rotation of class offerings.

Wednesday, January 4, 2017

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