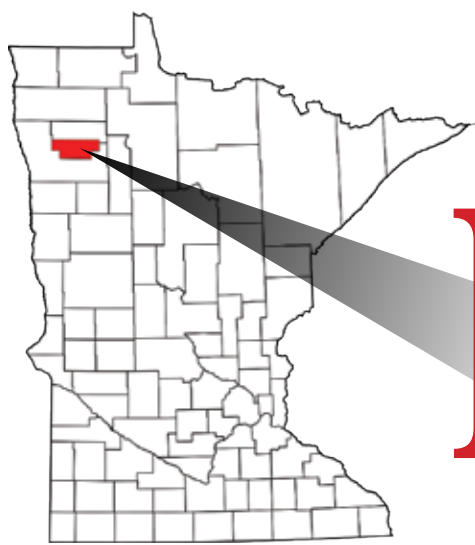




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Wednesday, February 19, 2025

Senior Open House and Valentine Party well attended

After much work and planning to move the Oklee Senior Site into the new room, a Valentine Party and Open House was held on February 14th.

Attendance was great with approx. 30+ people enjoying Valentine treats of cookies,

candies and chocolate covered heart cakes, and beverages of coffee and cocoa.

Future plans for the Senior Site is to allow it to be open whenever the building is open so people can borrow from the lending library or borrow a

puzzle which are stored in the upright cabinet. The American Legion will be using the Senior Site for their monthly meetings.

The Senior Site would like to build a community place for seniors to come and play games, or cards. Or maybe

there will a crafting day set up. Many different ideas have been talked about.

Starting on March 11th, the Seniors will start their Potluck Meals which are open to all Seniors. Only requirement is to bring a dish to share. It is

usually a fun night of visiting and catching up with news from your friends and neighbors.

Books in the hallway are for sale, you can put a quarter per book in the Red Lake County Herald dropbox. The books in the Senior site are Lending

Books and they have a label inside the cover stating that.

Also at the event, the Senior Site presented Derek Cross and Ben Berberich a check for helping make the move easier and all the work they did to make it a homey place.



All three round tables were filled with ladies and gentlemen visiting and enjoying the Valentine Treats. It was a great turnout.



Sue Lee and Pam Amundson

Over the years at the Senior Site, many musicians were invited to come and play for the Seniors at their events.

These are just a few photos that were found in their records and albums.



Above:
Vernon Iverson
& Vernon Wold.



Left:
Gladys and
Lloyd Schleicker



Senior Site President Sue Beaudoin presented City Clerk Derek Cross a check for himself and Ben Berberich, Oklee Maintenance person for all the hard work getting it ready.

MnDOT announces winners of Name a Snowplow contest

We're Off To See The Blizzard and Anthony Sledwards join the Minnesota Department of Transportation's snowplow fleet as two of the eight winners in the 2024-25 Name a Snowplow contest. Governor Tim Walz joined MnDOT Commissioner Nancy Daubenberger to announce the winning names today. Nearly 23,500 voters cast a ballot in this year's contest.

The winning names, in order of vote totals, and their future homes are:

We're Off To See The Blizzard – District 8 (Southwest Minnesota)

Snowtorious B.I.G. – District 4 (West Central Minnesota)

Plowabunga! – District 6 (Southeast Minnesota)

Anthony Sledwards – Metro District (Twin Cities)

You're Welcome – District 2 (Northwest Minnesota)

Don'tcha Snow – District 3 (Central Minnesota)

Skol Plow – District 1 (Northeast Minnesota)

I Came, I Thaw, I Conquered – District 7 (South Central Minnesota)

The order of all 50 finalists can be found on MnDOT's Name a Snowplow website.

"Anthony Sledwards is officially ready for Minnesota winter," said Governor Walz. "And let's remember it's not just the plows, but the 1,600 Minnesota snowplow drivers who keep

us safe and our roads cleared all winter long. A big thank you to those drivers and the Minnesotans who continue to demonstrate unrivaled creativity in naming our snowplows."

"Each season we have so much fun selecting new and creative snowplow names, but this contest is also a great way to highlight the hard work of our snowplow drivers and keep them safe," said Commissioner Nancy Daubenberger. "Please slow down and give our snowplow drivers plenty of space to clear roads safely every time it snows."

MnDOT invited people to submit creative snowplow name ideas in December 2024 and received more than 7,300 submissions; most suggestions were submitted multiple times by multiple people. Agency staff narrowed the list to 50 finalists for the public to vote on. This is the fifth year that MnDOT has hosted the Name a Snowplow contest.

Statewide, MnDOT now has 44 named snowplows, including Plow McPlowFace, Betty Whiteout, and Taylor Drift. In addition to the 40 named snowplows selected through the annual Name a Snowplow contests, MnDOT staff have also helped to name four additional snowplows statewide in acknowledgement of highways the state plows adjacent to tribal lands.



RLC Speech Team had another successful meet in Roseau on February 15th

Congratulations to the RLC Speech Team in placing third place as a team in Roseau. Individual honors include Hayden Shulstad with a 1st Place in Discussion, Hannah Dudycha- 1st Place in Informative, Lily Baker - 4th Place in Extemporaneous Reading, Ciara Mitzner with a 1st Place in Creative Expression and 3rd Place in Great Speeches, Willa Klamm with a 2nd Place in Poetry, Emily Rathasack with a personal record in Humor.

Bitter Cold Area Forecast

A bitter cold arctic airmass is expected to continue impacting the north-central U.S. while also spreading further south and east over the next few days. As a potent high pressure system gradually slides from south-central Canada into the northern Plains on Tuesday, low temperatures dropping well below zero are forecast from Montana and the Dakotas to the Upper Midwest and sections of the central Plains. When combined with light to moderate winds, the coldest wind chills over the next few days are forecast, where it is anticipated to feel as cold as 60 degrees below zero. This level of cold is life threatening and could shortly lead to frostbite and hypothermia.

By Wednesday, the cold front marking the boundary between more seasonable February temperatures and the arctic freezer will spill southward into northern Mexico and the northern Gulf of America.

Lows on Wednesday are forecast to dip into the single digits across much of the Northeast, Midwest, and parts of the southern Plains, including Oklahoma and northwest Texas. Daily records for both overnight bitter lows and afternoon cold highs are expected to be widespread.

Extreme Cold Warnings and Cold Weather Advisories are currently extensive and span from the northern Plains/Upper Midwest to central Texas. Be sure to dress in layers including a hat, face mask, and gloves if you must go outside.

Church News

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Okleelutheran.org
Wed, Feb. 19: 7:00 p.m.
Confirmation at Salem.
Sun, Feb. 23: 9:00 a.m.
Zion. 9:00 a.m. SS at Salem.
10 a.m. SS at Zion. 10:30 a.m.
Salem.
Wed, Feb. 26: 7:00 p.m.
Confirmation at Salem & Zion.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF OKLEE, GRYGLA & GOODRIDGE
Fr. Bryan Kujawa
Sunday: 8am St. Frances
– Oklee; 10:15am – Grygla.
12pm – Goodridge.

BROOKS – RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bob Schreiner
Saturday: 5:30pm St. Joseph – RLF.
Sunday: 8am – Brooks. 10 am St. Joseph – RLF.

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, Feb. 23: 9:00 a.m.
Worship at Ebenezer. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Immanuel (Jonathan). 10:30 a.m. Worship at Bethany (Allen).

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith
Wed, Feb. 19: Release Time/Confirmation Classes.
Sun, Feb. 23: Bethany: 8 a.m. Worship, No Sunday School. Ekelund: 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School. Faith: 10 a.m. Sunday School. 11:00 a.m. Worship.
Mon, Feb. 24: 9 a.m. Faith Mission-Quilting.
Wed, Feb. 26: Release Time/Confirmation Classes. 7 p.m. All Council meeting at Faith.

RLC Social Services Representative Schedule

Red Lake County Social Services has a representative available on Thursdays from 9 am to 3:30 pm at the Zion Lutheran Church in Oklee. Documents that need to be sent to/returned to social services may be given to them, information regarding programs is available, and referrals for inquiries about assistance or services can be made. Stop by if you have any questions or call our main office number at (218)253-4131.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive – Nazareth
Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeffrey Merseeth
Wed, Feb. 19: 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday School. 6:30 Vespers.

Sun, Feb. 23: St. Petri: 9:45 am. Worship. Oak Park: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School. 9:45 a.m. Livestream. Nazareth: 9:45 a.m. Livestream
Wed, Feb. 26: 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday School. 6:30 Vespers.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, Feb. 23: 9:00 a.m.
Worship at Lund; 10:30 a.m. Worship at Sand Valley.
Wed, Feb. 26: 6:30 p.m.
Confirmation.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Jarred LaBon, Pastor
Tyler Stynsberg, YPastor
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Sunday: 9am Sunday School. 10 am Worship.
Tuesday: 9:30am Ladies Bible Devotions.
Wednesday: 6:30pm Youth Group.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sunday: 9:30am Sunday School. 10:30am Worship.

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Red Lake County SWCD is taking Tree Orders for Spring 2025

Red Lake County SWCD is continuing to take tree orders from landowners for Spring FY2025 planting. Anyone interested in purchasing trees from the Red Lake County SWCD should contact the SWCD office at (218) 253-2593.

2025 Tree Order - Schumacher's Nursery

Red Lake County SWCD

Trees	Quantities	Size		FY 2024 Prices per Bundle (25)
BLACK CHERRY	25	2-3'		\$52.50
MOUNTAIN ASH	50	2-3'		\$52.50
COMMON CHOKECHERRY	50	2-3'		\$52.50
RED SPLENDOR CRAB	75	2-3'		\$52.50
HIGHBUSH CRANBERRY	75	2-3'		\$52.50
REDOSIER DOGWOOD	75	2-3'		\$52.50
COMMON LILAC	75	2-3'		\$52.50
RED OAK	25	2-3'		\$65.00
AMERICAN PLUM	25	3-4'		\$52.50
NORWAY POPLAR	25	3-4'		\$52.50
SIUXLAND POPLAR	25	3-4'		\$52.50
SERVICEBERRY (JUNEBERRY)	50	2-3'		\$52.50
FLAME WILLOW	25	2-3'		\$52.50
EASTERN RED CEDAR	200	15-18"	TR 2-2	\$55.00
RED PINE	100	15-18"	TR 2-2	\$55.00
SCOTCH PINE	75	15-18"	TR 2-2	\$55.00
BLACK HILL SPRUCE	100	15-18"	TR 2-2	\$55.00
COLORADO SPRUCE	50	15-18"	TR 2-2	\$55.00
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BLACK HILL SPRUCE	15	30-36"	5 GALLON POT	\$33.00 per pot
BLACK HILL SPRUCE	22	24-30"	2 GALLON POT	\$20.00 per pot
BLACK HILL SPRUCE	40	18-24"	1 GALLON POT	\$17.50 per pot

NOTICE

Oklee Rural Fire Association will be holding their annual meeting on **Monday, March 3, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Oklee Community Hall. Keith Christianson Oklee Rural Fire Ass'n Secretary/Treasurer

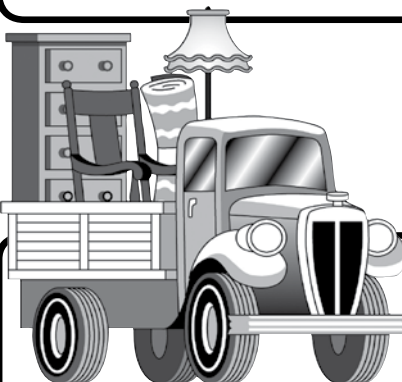
Deadline: Fridays at noon!

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On the afternoon of 02/07/25, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of a car bumping into the Dollar General Store in Red Lake Falls. There were no injuries, the vehicle was not damaged, but there was minor damage to the store's exterior wall. A crash report was completed and submitted to insurance.

On the afternoon of 02/07/25, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of transient merchants soliciting residents in the city of Red Lake Falls. A Red Lake County deputy spoke with the individuals who were offering home repair services, and they were directed to go to City Hall and obtain a permit to conduct their activities.

On the evening of 02/07/25, a Red Lake County resident reported they lost a pistol. A Red Lake County deputy spoke with the reporting party and the case remains under investigation.

On the evening of 02/07/25, a Red Lake Falls resident reported they may have been a victim of a scam. They claimed they were contacted by phone and a they needed to pay a bondsman a sum of cash to get a relative out of jail. Earlier the same afternoon, a man came to their residence and collected the cash. This incident is still under investigation and appears to be related to similar scam cases that occurred earlier in the week in Itasca and Beltrami Counties. The Red Lake County Sheriff's Office is working with these agencies and the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Investigation. The Red Lake County Sheriff's Office would like citizens to know that if you receive a call of this nature, verify with family members or law enforcement at a legitimately published phone number. Do not call any phone numbers provided by the callers. Do not provide personal information, and do not meet or invite someone to your home to collect bail. If there are any other victims of a scam similar to this, you are urged to contact the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office to report the crime.

Shortly after midnight on 02/09/25, a Red Lake County deputy stopped a vehicle on Hwy. #59 north of Brooks for an equipment violation. During the stop, it was discovered that the driver of the vehicle possessed marijuana vape that was not properly packaged. Derek Elroy Bekkedahl (27) of Mentor was cited for misdemeanor improper packaging of marijuana.

On the evening of 02/10/25, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of horses on the roadway on CR. #7 east of Hwy. #59. A Red Lake County deputy spoke with the owner, and they were put back into their enclosure.

On the morning of 02/12/25, Pacy Michael Perrine (19) of Oklee was cited for misdemeanor careless driving in the city of Oklee.

On the morning of 02/13/25, a Red Lake Falls resident reported being a victim of harassment. The report was documented, and advice was given.

On the evening of 02/13/25, the Red Lake County Sheriff's Office received a report of a vehicle in the ditch south of Red Lake Falls along Hwy. #32. A Red Lake County deputy checked the vehicle and found that it was unoccupied. The owner/driver of the vehicle was contacted, and it was determined that they were not injured, and they would remove the vehicle from the ditch the following day.

In the early morning hours of 02/14/25, several vehicles were ticketed for violating the city of Red Lake Falls' winter parking ordinance on Main Ave.

Mitch Bernstein, Red Lake County Sheriff: 02/14/25

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Rydell Candlelight Ski & Owl Prowl was postponed

Update to earlier press release sent: Due to the forecasted extreme cold weather on Saturday night, the Rydell Candlelight Ski & Owl Prowl scheduled for February 15, has been postponed. An updated press release will follow at a later date.

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RLCC Menus

February 17 - 21

Oklee

Monday: Breakfast: Bagels w/Cream Cheese, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Chicken Strips, Fried Rice, Veggies, Fruit, Banana Bread, and Milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Pancake on a stick w/Syrup, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Rib Patty Mini Bakers, Veggies, Fruit, and Milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Apple Turn Over, Fruit, Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Pizza Hot Dish, Bread Sticks, String Cheese, or Yogurt, Fruit, and Milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** BBQ w/Bun, Chips, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Fruit, and Milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon Roll, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Chili, Corn Chips, Corn Muffin, Fresh Veggies, Fruit, and Milk.

Plummer

Monday: Breakfast: Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Fruit, Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** BBQ Chicken w/Bun, Oven Fries, Baked Beans, Fruit, and Milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: French Toast Sticks, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Mixed Vegetables, Dinner Roll, Fruit, and Milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Muffin Variety, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Super Nachos, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Corn, Fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Peanut Butter Bread, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Tomato Soup, Crackers, Cheese Sandwich, Green Beans, Fruit and Milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Pancake on a Stick, Cereal, Fruit, Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Calzone, Marinara Sauce, Salad Bowl, Baby Carrots, Fruit, and Milk.



The third grade boys basketball team was able to "ride the bench" with the varsity boys Tuesday, February 11th. The Rebels defeated Goodridge-Grygla 73-38 raising their record to 19-1 on the season. Thank you for the submitted pictures!



Red Lake County Rebels Speech Team hosted the Plummer Lion's Invitational on February 8, 2025. A combination of over 100 participants from Competitors, Judges, Coaches, and Bus Drivers were in attendance. Team Members: Back Row: Brody Hammer, Ciara Mitzner, Hayden Shulstad, and Hannah Dudycha. Front Row: Jarrett Hammer, Peyton Williams, and Willa Klamm Not Pictured: Emily Rath sack and Conner Nelson.



Hayden Shulstad - 3rd Place Discussion, Ciara Mitzner - 2nd Place Creative Expression, Ciara Mitzner - 2nd Place Great Speeches, Hannah Dudycha - 2nd Place Informative, Peyton Williams - 3rd Place Poetry.

Red Lake County Central Choir had great day at the Vocal Contest on Wednesday, February 12



SSA Ensemble: SUPERIOR !
Solo-Gavin Roisland: SUPERIOR
Duet-Hailey Hanson & McKenzie Hamm: SUPERIOR
Solo-McKenzie Hamm: EXCELLENT
Solo-Lillie Lundeen: EXCELLENT
Back Row: Gavin Roisland, Hailey Hanson, Quinn Graves, Alexa Chervestad, and Hailey Hanson
Front Row: Lillie Lundeen, Lynessa Castaneda, Autumn Lindemoen, Peyton Williams, Hannah Dudycha, Graceyn Kvsager, and McKenzie Ham
Congratulations to Mrs. Krista Bernstein and her Contestants

Looking for ways to spend your free time?

SKATING RINK OPEN
Saturday & Sunday from 10-8:00pm and weekday afternoons from 4-8:00pm (closed if there is a home game at the high school)

OPEN GYM in Oklee on Saturdays from 1-3:00 pm, children 6th grade and under must have adult supervision. Contact Kurt with questions at 612-247-0812

Speech Schedule

Saturday, February 22: Speech in Bemidji.

Saturday, March 1: Speech meet in Walker.

RLCC Sports Schedules

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

RLCC Mustang Girls Basketball

Fri, Feb 21:
Girls JV 6:00PM
Girls Varsity 7:30PM
Away vs. Climax-Fisher @ Climax High School

Boys Basketball Schedule

Thu, Feb 20:
Boys C 5:00PM
JV Game 6:00PM
Varsity 7:30PM

RLC Basketball vs. Fertile-Beltrami @ RLCC High School

Fri, Feb. 21:
Boys Conference
Game in Oklee 7:00 p.m.

Tue, Feb 25:
Boys C 5:00PM
Boys JV 6:00PM
Varsity 7:30PM

RLC Basketball vs. Win-E-Mac @ RLCC HS

Fri, Feb 28:
Boys C 5:00PM
JV Game 6:00PM
Varsity 7:30PM

RLC Basketball vs. Cass Lake-Bena @ Cass Lake-Bena High School

Wednesday, February 19, 2025



Congratulations to the Red Lake County Rebels on their exciting win against the Cherry Tigers on Friday, February 14th at Bemidji State. Rebel Fans packed the Gym to cheer on the boys! The game was neck to neck and within the last 8 seconds of the game the score was 75-77 in favor of Cherry. At that point, Luke Peterson scored with a rebound layup giving the score a tie game, and was fouled earning him a trip to the free-throw line, and making that basket. Cherry tried to get the ball to the end of the court for a miracle shot and missed. The buzzer sounded and the Rebels broke the Cherry winning streak since 2023.

More on that game in next week's Mustang Stampedo. The Rebels' record is 21-1

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Oklee Herald Early Files

100 Years Ago February 19, 1925

Nels Fore has been granted a patent by the U.S. Patent office for an Improved Washcloth Cabinet, having been procured through patent lawyers in Washington D.C.

J.O. Melby & Son have just installed a bone grinding machine in their butcher shop. Formerly bones and scraps went to waste now they are being ground up and manufactured into valuable poultry feed.

Lloyd Johnson and Miss Lillian Farrington, both highly respected young people of the town of Equality, were joined in holy matrimony by Judge Perrault at Red Lake Falls yesterday. The will be living at once on the Johnson Bros. Farm north of Oklee.

90 Years Ago February 21, 1935

Joe Dufault, manager or the local theater, has added two new machines to the equipment and shows will now run continuous from beginning to end. Mr. Dufault states that these machines were the best he could procure and he doubts whether any town of this size has higher class theater equipments that the Oklee Theater now possess.

Mose Gibeau and Miss Dor-ea Carriere, both of the town of Lambert, were married at the parsonage at Brooks, Tuesday of this week. Rev. Fr. Proulx officiated the ceremony.

80 Years Ago February 15, 1945

Oklee Boy Scouts, in a court of honor, were awarded the following by Henry W. Paul, committee chairman: Tenderfoot badges to Wayne Lynch, and Lawrence LaCoursiere, Arlo Rolandson and Duane Welte were advanced to the rank of Star Scout. A merit badge in chemistry was awarded to Duane Welte, and a badge in bookbinding to James Turgeon.

70 Years Ago February 17, 1955

According to data compiles by the 1954 Minnesota State Farm Census, 776 farms were reported in Red Lake County. According to the census 703 are owned by those on the land and 73 were rented. As far as crops go Oats was #1-55,661 acres, and second was flax-14,445 acres, and third place belongs to barley-12,523 acres.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wally DuChamp on February 8th.

A son was born to Mr. and

Mrs Herbert Walter on February 12th.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Mercil had their daughter, Lynae Lynn baptized Sunday. Sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mercil.

60 Years Ago February 18, 1965

Members of the Oklee Troop 61, Boy Scouts of America were elevated in the rank at a Court of Honor. Scoutmaster John Christensen and Assistant Scoutmaster Milo Larson were in charge of the event. Promoted from Second to First Class Scouts were Jay and Terry Christiansen and Jack Sundrud. Moving up from the Tenderfoot to Second Class were Mark Larson, Richard Brandt, Robert Melby, Timmy and Donny Swensons. Joining the ranks of the Tenderfoot Scouts were Loren Hegge, Paul Larson, and Jeff Sundrud. Two new den chiefs were appointed: Terry Christiansen and Anthony Radniecki.

Mrs. Tom Melby was appointed Red Lake County Heart Chairman. Assistants will be Joanne Fortier, Linda Champagne, Micky Lee, Jo Williams, Barbara Bronken, and Marie Nadeau.

50 Years Ago February 13, 1975

Randy Chaput, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymund Chaput of Brooks, won the big jackpot of \$370 at game night at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Oklee, Saturday evening.

Music contest winners at Twin Valley from Oklee School were: Jefferey Johnson, Belle Marful, Lori Burrack, Tim Lundeen, Jodi Stolaas, Kevin Karel, and Vance Haugen.

A baby shower in honor of Mrs. Andy Peterson and infant son, Isaac, will be held Sunday, February 16 at Oak Park Church.

Swenson Equipment, Inc. has sold over 100 snowmobiles this season. Gary Rahier was the winner of \$200 worth of winter clothing in a drawing.

40 Years Ago February 13, 1985

Diane Jensen, Jennifer Cyr, and Sandra Rustan were winners in the Minnesota Music Teachers Association district piano contest held at Moorhead State University on February 4th.

Krista Seeley of Bemidji, and Jon Lindquist of Oklee were finalists for the 1985 Sno Daze Royalty at the University of Minnesota Crookston.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Delage,

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Myhre, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gagner enjoyed a weekend of skiing at Buena Vista in Bemidji.

A baby shower was held on Wednesday evening at Immanuel Lutheran Church for Jessica Dulka, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rich Dulka.

30 Years Ago February 22, 1995

Lorraine Fisher went to Thief River Falls to attend the 25th wedding anniversary of her friends, Larry and Carol Gagner.

1995 Valentine's King and Queen at the Senior Site were Marv Bronken and Hannah Anderson.

George Lee, Executive Vice President of the Security State Bank in Oklee, will be retiring after more than 38 years of service.

20 Years Ago February 17, 2005

All students in grade 5-8 were given the opportunity to participate in the spelling bee in their classroom that was held on February 11th. 16 students advanced to the RLCC Plummer School District Spelling Bee.

Winners of the RLCC Triple A Award for 2005 are Amanda Schmitz and Andy Swenson. They will move on to the Regional competition.

10 Years Ago February 11, 2015

On Saturday, January 31st, Blake DeHate ran his grandpa's blazer in the Pickup Demo at the Monster Jam in the Fargodome. Blake built the pickup with help from his dad, Bernie DeHate, and friends Tristan and Jarrod Larson. Blake won the competition!

Superintendent Guetter talked to the school board about the GVTEL concept which has been well received at other schools and possibly streaming games.

Senior Valentine Royalty at the Senior Site included King Bennet Larson and Queen Doris Nelson, along with Prince Charles LaCoursiere and Princess Shirley Dessellier.

Senior Site News & Other Things

Bonny Cote, Treasurer - Acting Secretary

Update on Senior Site Grand Opening & Valentines Party

Was a success with a large crowd filling the room with lots of conversation and fun. Valentine cookies and candies were enjoyed and it was deemed a great day. Thank you to all that came.

SAIL Classes

Ever wonder what SAIL stands for? It is "Stay Active and Independent for Life."

Jo Lambert or Carol Kvasager do a wonderful job of leading the group on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Oklee Community Center at 10 a.m. There is always room for more.

Dates To Remember

Wednesday: Cards at 1:30

Brooks - Terrebonne News

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

Well it is bitterly cold today. We are used to it. Tongue in cheek. Nobody is used to this much cold. I do remember once when we went dancing with Marilyn Narcotte, in Tenstrike MN and it was 48 below when we came home. We were afraid that the tires on the car would fall off they were so hard and flat. She called me after we let her off at her home and she said that I should get a new thermometer. We had a good laugh at that but we had a great time dancing to the "Just Because Band".

It was Valentines Day on Friday and Jerome and Barb Novak went to the Cozy Bar for dinner. We had a great meal and very first rate service too. As I came into the restaurant, I met someone I haven't seen for many years. It was Lowell Arlt and his Mom. The young man takes his mother to her appointments and takes her out for lunch and dinner for special occasions. What a son. Not many men have the thoughts it takes to do this for his mother, but Lowell does. It was good to see him and to see

p.m.

Presently Hand and Foot is being played. Hand & Foot is a 1 deck per person game that is played with a hand and foot and it played by teams of 2 or 3 people. The object of the game is to be first to get rid of all you cards.

If you are interested in seeing who the game is played, stop by on Wednesday afternoon.

Potlucks to Start

At the last meeting, it was decided to start up the potlucks again starting Tuesday, March 11th at 5 p.m. in the new Senior Site.

To Give Away

The old Senior Craft Shop is just about empty. There are

a few things left to go through and a few things to give away.

There is a piano and to the below is a picture of some shelving that needs to go. If anyone is interested, please call Bonny at 612-840-9401.



Oklee Senior Meals on Wheels NSI Menu

February 24 -28

Oklee Meals on Wheels Nutrition Services Inc (NSI) is the new service offering Senior Meals/Meals on Wheels. They are available for Home Delivery, Monday-Friday. Please call Carolyn at the RLF NSI Kitchen the day before, by 12 noon at 218-253-4454.

NSI provides this service in part under the Federal Older Americans Act through a contract with NWRDC under an area plan approved by the MN Board on Aging.

Mon: Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Peas & Carrots, Ice Cream, 1% Milk.

Tue: Lasagna, Garden Salad w/Dressing, Bread Stick, Mandarin Oranges, Rice Krispy Bar, 1% Milk.

Wed: Baked Chicken, Dressing/Gravy, Peas & Carrots, Fruit Juice, Cookie, 1% Milk.

Thu: Tater Tot Hotdish, Mixed Vegetables, Dinner Roll, Rosy Apple Sauce, 1% Milk.

Fri: Cook's Choice, 1% Milk.

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

On Saturday, February 8th, Sandy Greenwald, Cindy Arlt, and Jeanette McMullen attended the concert at Lincoln High School auditorium. The DooWah Riders performed. They were a five man band. They had a young fiddle player and the rest of the band had been together around forty years. Some songs they did were "Devil Went Down To Georgia", "Orange Blossom Special", "Something In The Water," "Proud Mary", "Dancing in the Double D", and "Pray." They were fun to listen to. They had eaten supper

that evening in TRF and had walleye which they hadn't had before. Alice Jobe also attended the concert.

Last week, the railroad guys were grinding the rails on the track.

Thursday, Alice Jobe enjoyed dinner at Anna DeHate's. She had homemade Chow Mein.

The weather has been brutal this past week. Please be careful if you go outside. I feel sorry for the animals who are outside. It must be tough for them.

Have a Good Week!



1993 - King Lester Brown & Queen Bernice Hagge



Senior Site Queen & King: Evelyn Gibeau and Gerhard Larson. Not sure what year this was.

**Deadline:
Fridays at noon!**

Who's Dat?



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This week's photo of an honored couple to do with agriculture from the Stephen area, but the presenter is from this area.

The photo of the last week was from an Oklee Senior Meal Site celebration in 1997. Chosen as Queen was Frances Anderson, King was Gerhard Larson and Bob Bluemke played his accordion for musical entertainment at the event.

This is one of most popular columns of the Red Lake County Herald. Remember that

photos from the 80s are now 40+ years old.

I am always in need of more photos - School days, church events, sports, etc. From anywhere in the area - Brooks, Plummer, Red Lake Falls, Oklee, send or email in a photo and description.

If you email a photo, please scan at 300 dpi (high quality) if you can. You can email to okleeherald@gmail.com.

If you mail a photo to the Oklee Herald office, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope so the photos can be

returned. Mail them to: Red Lake County Herald, PO Box 9, Oklee MN 56742. Or stop by the office and I will scan your photo(s) while you wait.



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