

June Commissioners meetings

Red Lake County Commissioners held two meetings in June. The first was held on June 14th. All members were present. Commissioner Chair, Chuck Simpson opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. and asked if there were any additions or corrections to the agenda. The agenda was approved as is.

Kristi Hanson, from the Northwest Regional Library (NWRL), presented a report on the budget, and what to expect for next year's budget. She said things are going this year. At the Red Lake Falls branch, the library hours were changed and that has been very beneficial, adding 100 hours of additional time. This year she is planning on asking for a 2% increase in the budget, instead of the 3 or 5% asked for in past years. The library is very stable at this time she reported.

Costs of books have increased 4%, use of our computers is down, but the broadband and downloads are increasing. All the libraries in NWRL have WiFi and sometimes are the only way a person has access to the internet. Also living in the rural area of NW Minnesota, the library fills the need of a movie theater, coffee shops, etc.

She had a sheet showing how NWRL patrons used their libraries in 2015. According to her statistics there were 206,508 visits; nearly 20,000 reference questions answered; 271,378 items checked out; over 1151 library programs; 33,538 computer users; 10,210 wireless users and 14,427 digital checkouts.

Minutes and expenditures were approved and carried.

Pathfinders, a snowmobile club, had a resolution presented to the board for approval. This is a standard agreement with the County so they have access to file for grants, since the County will be their fiscal agent. Motion carried.

Some ditch work needs to be completed on JD#60 on the west side of section 30. About 1 mile needs to be cleaned and the funding will be from the ditch fund. Motion carried.

Kristi Nelson from Red Lake County Social Services, came before the board to request a position to be re-classified. Her budget is under and would like to add a case worker, instead of a social worker, but it would be at a higher rate of pay. The board approved.

Committee reports were next starting with Commissioner Ron Weiss who had attended the Union meeting but will discuss that when the meeting is closed. He also attended the Tri-County Corrections meeting. Polk has a lot higher inmate population and because of that, the per diem paid by other counties is lower, because there is no room for extras. Red Lake County only had 2 inmates as of the day of the meeting. Weiss also reported there is employee turnovers and retirements causing some adjustments. The Minnesota Legal Aid has been helping with the mental health issues at the jail, paying for two interns to help inmate with the eventual return to society.

There has been some discussion on possible building on to the current jail. The infrastructure is in place for an additional 2 pods or 120 beds.

And a new phone service is being installed. The company will pay the jail \$50,000 a year for five years. The old system was based on usage and they are only getting \$27,000 a year. There is a possibility that instead of replacing the video phones, people on the outside can visit using Skype type software to visit with their inmate from home in the future.

Commissioner Anthony Flage had a meeting at the Red Lake SWCD and passed a map around of the buffer strips projects and most are on the west end of the county. A 25 year agreement has been signed for space at the Wheat Growers building and their new garage is being built.

One Watershed, One Plan is short on money and they will ask for more funding from BWSR. The One Watershed, One Plan will still need to be approved by the county, but it creates a more comprehensive map that can be used for many projects, though sometimes the county map will have the needed information.

Commissioner Dave Sorenson said he had meetings that have already been covered by other commissioner's reports. There was some general discussion about flooding and the town of Oslo. It would be cheaper to move the town instead of what they have planned. But without the railroad bridge being changed, no changes to the bridge and road will help with flooding.

John Lerohl had a Fair Board meeting. Everything is

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Pictured: Mike Illies (coach) Marcus Christensen, Ethan Vettleson, Adam Cater, Josef Paradis, Cade Bachand, Seth Paradis and Nick Lill.

RLCC Trap Team Goes to State

By Mike Illies, Head Coach
RLCC Trap Team

The Red Lake County Central (RLCC) High School Trap Team recently competed at the Minnesota High School League Clay Target State Championship in Prior Lake on June 25th. The top thirty-eight teams out of the 292 high school trap teams from across Minnesota were invited to the Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL) Championships at Prior

Lake. The shooting conditions were beautiful with warm temperatures and a clear sky with a light breeze. The athletes had a great day of shooting against the best and most competitive teams in the state. Each member of the five person squad shoots at 100 clay targets for a total of 500 targets. They get one point for each target broken. The RLCC team broke 436 out of 500 targets and placed 28th out of the 38 teams. The team's charter season

was last spring and they have shown steady improvement. To go to the state championships in their second year was an outstanding accomplishment. The seven athletes who were part of the Championship team were Marcus Christensen, Cade Bachand, Seth Paradis, Adam Cater, Josef Paradis, Ethan Vettleson, and Nick Lill. Congratulations to the RLCC Trap Team on a fine end to a great season!



Kathryn Srnksy, Shelby Gunderson, Paige Olson, Tanisha Srnksy, Hailey Hanson and Sydney Olson put on their "Share the Fun Skit" during the 4-H award show held at the Red Lake County Fair.



Participants in the 4-H Fashion Show were Jacob Solie, Haiden Shulstad, Sydney Olson, Paige Olson and Bella Russillo.



During the demonstrations in the Community Hall during the Red Lake County Fair, Bobbie DuChamp showed a group of people how to make handstamped jewelry.



Connie Nelson demonstrated her art of Rosemaling during the RLC Fair community social hour on Saturday. Photo taken by Havie Lee.



Bobbie Olson explaining the steps of sign making to Pat Asselin while Bret DuChamp painted her sign, during the sign making demonstration at the RLC Fair.



Congratulations to Brock Tvedt who took first place overall during the 5K run held Saturday morning at the RLC Fair. His time was 22:45 and he is an eighth grader at RLCC School. The run was hosted by the RiverView autism foundation. Photo taken by Havie Lee.



MaryAnn and Clem Benoit are pictured with an oil painting painted by Clem's cousin, Betty Ann Benoit. The oil painting is called the Confluence of the Red Lake and Clearwater Rivers. The painting was donated to the Red Lake County Courthouse on Tuesday, June 28, 2016 where it will be displayed. Courtesy of Red Lake County.



Shirley Dessellier worked on a table topper while teaching spectators how to sew and put one together.



Laurel Smith showed how to make homemade jelly. She also had fresh jelly for sale.



Clara was shown how to turn the handle to make old fashioned socks taught by Aliza Novaceck-Olson.



Trinity Bishop with her sign she made during the sign making demonstration.

Calender of Events
Wed, July 6:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
Thu, July 7:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.
Fri, July 8:
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
Sat, July 9:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
Sun, July 10:
-Worship at the church of your choice.
Mon, July 11:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
Tue, July 12:
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards.
-LSS Sr. Meal 5:00 p.m.
Wed, July 13:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
Thu, July 14:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.
Fri, July 15:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
Sat, July 16:
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
Sun, July 17:
-Worship at the church of your choice.
Mon, July 18:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
Tue, July 19:
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards

Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Margaret Jacobus
Sun, July 10: 9:00 a.m.
Zion. 10:30 a.m. Salem.

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

BROOKS – RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bill DeCrans
Sat, July 9: 5:30 p.m. RLF
Sun, July 10: 8:00 a.m.
Brooks. 10:00 a.m. RLF.

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, July 10: 9:00 a.m.
Ebenezer. 10:30 a.m. Immanuel.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith
Interim Pastor Phil Johnson
Sun, July 10: 8:30 a.m.
Ekelund. 9:45 a.m. Faith. 11:00 a.m. Bethany.
Mon, June 11: 1:30 p.m. Ladies Aid
Tues, July 12: 6:30 p.m. Shalom circle.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive – Nazareth
Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseth
Sat, July 9: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, July 10: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:45 a.m. Oak Park. 11:00 a.m. Nazareth.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosston.com
Wed, July 6: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Thu, July 7: 10:00 p.m. Rotary.

Sun, July 10: 10:30 a.m. Worship.

Tues, July 12: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Quilting.

Wed, July 13: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Sun, July 10: 9:00 a.m.
Lund. 10:30 a.m. Sand Valley.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY Fosston
Jon Marx, Lead Pastor
Seth Johnson, Assist. Pastor
Sun, July 10: 10:00 a.m. Worship.

Notice to contractors

Red Lake County, MN

COUNTY WIDE MAINTENANCE SHOULDERING BIDS CLOSE 11:00 AM, Tuesday July 12, 2016

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS:

Sealed bids will be received until 11:00 AM Tuesday, July 12, 2016

By the Red Lake County Auditor at the Red Lake Falls Courthouse

On behalf of the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners for the following:

CP 63-16-01 County wide maintenance shouldering

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Furnish and install class 1 (modified) aggregate shouldering on CSAH #1 from T.H 59 to CSAH #5, CSAH #6 from CSAH #5 to East county line, CSAH #10 from CSAH #6 to North county line. Approximate aggregate shouldering total of 14,000 tons.

Proposal, plans and specifications may be obtained and examined at the office of the county highway engineer, 204 7th ST SE, Red Lake Falls, MN 56750. (218) 253-2697.

All bids must be accompanied by a certified check or bidder's bond made payable to the Red Lake County Treasurer for not less than five percent (5%) of the proposal amount.

ALL BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE RED LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR AT THE COURTHOUSE, P.O. Box 367 Red Lake Falls, MN 56750 by 11:00 AM on Tuesday, July 12, 2016.

The right is reserved to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive any defects.

Robert Schmitz, County Auditor

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DEADLINE

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



6 year old division winners: Gunner Halvorson first place with a full pull, Peyton, second place 26 feet 6 inches and Autumn 3rd place with 18 feet 11 inches.



First place Cane Nelson, full pull, second place Ryan Tvedt with 30 feet and 3rd place Owen with 30 feet 4 inches.

Tri-Valley Public Transportation

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

Thu, July 7: Fargo/Moorhead- Thief River Falls, St. Hilaire.

Fri, July 8: Polk County Fair- 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. \$1 City Rides. Half price round trip rates for out of town pick ups. Call by Thursday to reserve a seat.

Mon, July 11: Fargo/Moorhead- Crookston.

Oklee Senior Site Dining

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

If you are over the age of 60 and would like to eat with other seniors at the Senior Site, please call the Café at 796-5666 to reserve your meal. A \$4.00 per meal donation is suggested.

Monday: Pancake, sausage patty, egg, dessert and milk.

Tuesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, garlic toast, dessert and milk.

Wednesday: ¼ lb. hamburger on bun, with hashbrowns, vegetable, dessert and milk.

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

Friday: Pork and Swiss melt on bun, with steak fries. Vegetable, birthday cake and milk.

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Sons of Norway

Grandlund Lodge 240 Sons of Norway will meet at 6:30 p.m. July 14th at the Embassy Center, 3rd and North Eaton, Fosston, MN. This will be our annual summer grill and picnic pot luck. Meats for the grill and beverages will be provided. Please bring a dish to share. We will have a discussion on genealogy and the ancestry charts that you took home last month to fill out and return. Please take time to complete them and come prepared to discuss what you have found and what you are having trouble with. Carol Niewinski who has done genealogy since long before computers, will try to steer you where to find your unknown ancestors.



Jackson won first place with a full pull in the 10 year old division at the Mini Tractor Pull held at the Red Lake County Fair.

Legal Notice

14-095936

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: October 2, 2008

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$168,328.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Vicki M. Kim, single, Who acquired title as Vicki M. Schmitz

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

MIN#: 1001337-0003411784-9 LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON THE MORTGAGE: Countrywide Bank, FSB

SERVICER: Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Filed October 27, 2008, Red Lake County Recorder, as Document Number 127738, thereafter reformed by Court Order filed on May 18, 2016 as Document Number 134350

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP FKA Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

Auditor's Lots One (1), Two (2), Three (3), Four (4) and Five (5) of Section Twenty-five (25), Township One Hundred Fifty-two (152), Range Forty-five (45) and a specific part of Section 25 containing 15.88 acres referred to as Revised Description #2, Wylie Township: All that part of the abandoned right of way and station grounds of the railway of the Great Northern Railway Company in the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section Twenty-five (25), Township One Hundred Fifty-two (152) North, Range Forty-five (45) West, described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the Southeastly boundary of said Station grounds with the East line of said Section Twenty-five (25); thence Southwestly along the Southeastly boundary of said

LSS Caregivers Group meets July 14th

The Thief River Falls Caregiver Group will meet on Thursday, July 14th 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.

ADDRESS CHANGES

CONTACT THE
OKLEE HERALD AT
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Centennial Recipe Corner

Breakfast Pizza Sue Beaudoin

- 1 pkg crescent rolls
- 1 lb. pork sausage
- 1 cup frozen hasbrowns potatoes, thawed
- 1 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese
- 5 eggs
- ¼ cup milk
- ½ tsp salt
- 1/8 pepper
- 2 Tbsp parmesan cheese

Separate crescent rolls into eight triangles, place on ungreased 12 inch pizza pan with points toward the center. Press on bottom and side of pan to form a crust. Seal perforations. Brown sausage; drain off fat. Spoon cooked and drained sausage over crust; sprinkle hash brown potatoes over the sausage; top with cheddar cheese. In a bowl, beat together eggs, milk, salt and pepper; pour over crust. Sprinkle parmesan cheese over all. Bake 375 degree oven for 25 to 30 minutes. Makes 6 to 8 servings.



station grounds, being a line parallel to and two hundred (200) feet distant Southeastly from the center line of the main track of said railway as formerly located and constructed, but now abandoned, a distance of Four Hundred Eighty (480) feet to the true point of beginning; thence Northwestly at right angles to said Southeastly boundary of said station grounds Three Hundred (300) feet to the Northwestly boundary of said station grounds; thence Southwestly along the Northwestly boundary of said station grounds, being a line parallel to and One Hundred (100) feet distant Northwestly from said center line of main tract, to the West line of the Northeast Quarter (Ne 1/4) of said section Twenty-five (25); thence South along said West line to the intersection thereof by the Southeastly Boundary of said station grounds; thence Northeastly along said Southeastly boundary, being a line parallel to and Two Hundred (200) feet distant Southeastly from said center line of main tract to the true point of beginning, and Auditor's Lots Eight (8), Nine (9) and Ten (10) of Section Twenty-five (25), Township One Hundred Fifty-two (152), Range Forty-five (45), and Auditor's Lots Six (6), Seven (7) and Eleven (11) of Section Twenty-five (25), Township One Hundred Fifty-two (152), Range Forty-five.

AND Auditor's Lot Twelve (12) of Section Twenty-five (25), Township One Hundred Fifty-two (152), Range Forty-five (45), Red Lake County, Minnesota

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 14099 140th Ave SW, Red Lake Falls, MN 56750

PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 13-0162-000

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Red Lake

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$274,933.93

THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT, to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: August 18, 2016, 10:00am

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, 124 Main Avenue N, Red Lake Falls, MN 56750

to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within 6 months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s) the personal representatives or assigns.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property, if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23, is 11:59 p.m. on February 18, 2017, or the next business day if February 18, 2017 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

"THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES SECTION 582.032 DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN 5 UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED."

Dated: June 22, 2016

Bank of America, N.A., Successor by Merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP FKA Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP

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Sudoku Solution

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

Red Lake Falls Library News

Library Hours:

Tue & Wed: Noon - 7:00 pm,
Thu & Fri: Noon - 5:00 p.m.
Sat.: 10:00 am - 2:00 p.m.

On-line patrons are reminded that they can visit www.nwrlib.org/rlf.htm at anytime, where they can create their own patron accounts to browse, request and renew materials from their home.

New adult fiction for July includes "Killer Look" by Linda

Fairstein, an Alexandra Cooper novel; "The Singles Game" by Lauren Weisberger, New York Times bests-selling author of "The Devil Wears Prada" and "Revenge Wears Prada;" "Arrowood" by Laura McHugh, of which Jodi Picoult says "this robust, old-fashioned gothic mystery has everything you're looking for: a creepy old house, a tenant with a secret history, and even a few ghosts;" and "Midnight Crossing," book 5 in the Jose Gray mystery series by Tricia Fields.

New adult nonfiction: "The Mind-Gut Connection: How the Hidden Conversation Within Our Bodies Impacts Our Mood, Our Choices, and Our Overall Health" by Emeran Mayer.

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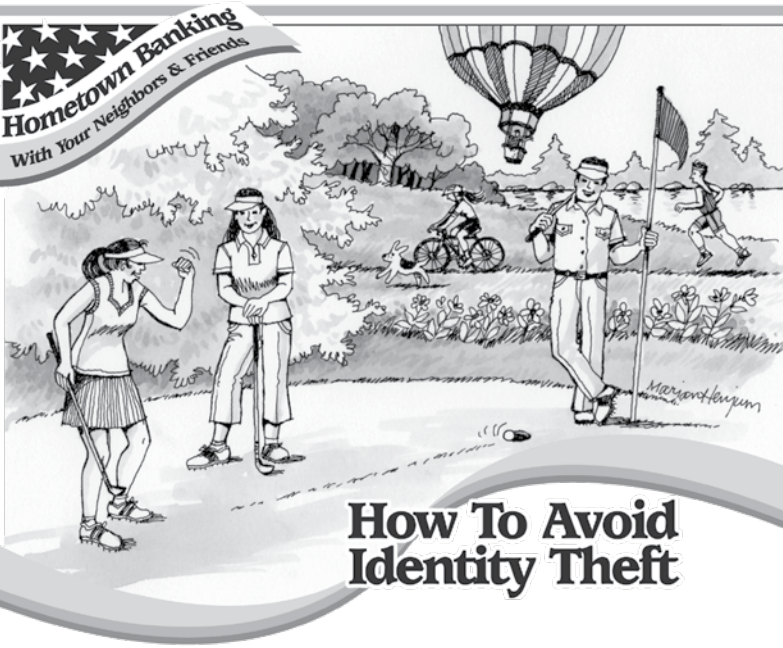
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RLCC Trap Team members Marcus Christensen, Cade Bachand and Adam Cater participating in state Trap.



RLCC Trap Team members Josef Paradis, Adam Cater and Seth Paradis at the state tournament.



Seth Paradis, RLCC Trap Team member shooting while at the state tournament.

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going fine. Monies reported as \$124 for Open Class, \$9,750 for General fund and \$200 for 4-H. Also a \$1000 grant has been received for the Melby building. The board also decided to charge \$5 from each member to be used for picnic they put on. After the short meeting, they set up things starting on Tuesday night, then also on Wednesday and Thursday.

Chair, Chuck Simpson had no meetings to report.

County Engineer Korky Kleven opened bids on two projects: SAP 063-614-006 #14 Box Culvert and SAP 063-613-014 for Red Lake County #13.

On the Box Culvert project bids were:

- Brummund Excavation \$156,206.50
- Gladen Construction \$97,488.00
- Knife River Materials \$119,282.00
- Olson Construction \$112,887.00
- Taggart Construction \$90,824.00
- Triple D Construction \$98,170.00

The winner of this project was Taggart Construction from Thief River Falls.

The RL Cty #13 project, only one bid was received from Knife River Materials for \$185,362.00 and it was awarded to them.

Kleven also had a few other items to discuss about the Red River Corridor. He has been attending the meetings and reported that the County and City of Red Lake Falls should jointly add 4 more river access points – provided funding is available. Potential places for access would be Hwy 32 Bridge and Huot Park and also looking for places in between St. Hilaire and Thief River Falls and Crookston & Gently. Grants are being submitted June 30th and there should be no more than a 20% match in his opinion.

Kleven also touched base on his budget and said everything is looking good and in a good financial position. He also mentioned that he was going to have the Natural Gas people come over and price the replacement of five tanks. Some concern was expressed by Flage as he is on the Cenex board and would like the money to stay here, not go to a company away from Red Lake County. Korky said he was just analyzing the project. Lastly, Kleven reported that shouldering bids have been put out.

Auditor Bob Schmitz needed a motion from the board on the Ballot County agreement which was approved.

Angie Lundeen from Human Resources had two items to bring before the board. First there was a employee that

needed to be moved up one step, which was approved, with Weiss abstaining in the vote. And second, interviews for the position in the Treasure's office was discussed. The interviews were completed and a job was offered to one of the applicants, but declined the offer. They wanted health care for their family. Since then Nick Knott has asked if it would be ok to hire a retired person to fill in on occasion as a temporary employee when both employees are gone. The board approved the hiring of a temporary person.

The meeting was then closed for negotiations at 11:43 a.m.

Two weeks later, the second meeting of the Commissioners was held for June on the 28th.

All members were present and the board was presented with an oil painting from MaryAnn and Clem Benoit painted by Clem's cousin, Betty Ann Benoit. The oil painting is called the Confluence of the Red Lake and Clearwater Rivers. The painting was donated to the Red Lake County Courthouse where it will be displayed.

Kleven came to this meeting also with some items to report which included the RR Corridor. St. Hilaire is by far the best part of the river and East Grand Forks has the hotels, restaurants, etc. and plans to work together is paramount. Kleven reported the highway financials were in good shape. He would like to try once again and see if he can get the crossing at Highway 59 and County Rd 1 squared up. Simpson brought up that the area is not very large and that could post a problem for trucks and semis. Kleven said that MN DOT has a plan and a lot of this depends on the railroads cooperation.

The Expenditures and minutes with corrections were approved and committee meeting were given starting with Weiss reporting on the Land of the Dancing Sky and Kristi Nelson also reported some statistics on the aging population of Red Lake County. The population is 4,089 and of that amount 965 are 60+ years old. 1 in six residents are seniors. There are 701 that are 65+ years old.

Flage attended the Red River Corridor meeting which Kleven has already reported on, though he added the taxes paid for room had raised 42% since five years ago. More people are staying in the NW Minnesota area.

Sorensen reported on the NW Apt's which need lots of updating. The building was built in 1982 and it is due for some changes. Parking lot, backslashes, doors, ADA compliant, countertops, etc. are top priorities.

Sorensen also attended the

NW Mental Health meeting and the financial reports take about 1.5 hours alone. Clients notes are not getting done in a timely manner, so suggestion to not pay employees for uncompleted notes. Lots of coding issues, but things are improving. At the Northern Pines meeting in Brainerd, it was mentioned that Northern Pines was going to offer NW Mental Health director a position, whether we joined with them or not.

John Lerohl reported that at the Fair Board meeting that they had made money on everything except the raffle.

Chuck Simpson didn't have any meetings to report on.

Myron Jesme from the Red Lake Watershed District stopped by to update the Commissioners on the projects they have been working on and handed out the 2015 annual report. Old SES (social-ecological systems) dams life spans have expired. Red Lake County will be replacing two of them. They were used to slow down water and was common practice in the 70's. The Watershed will be spending \$80,000 to \$150,000 to repair. Easements are needed for inspections and repair and it has been going well.

Jesme touched on the One Watershed, One Plan(1W1P) project. There is so much information gathered from local counties, and the larger areas. For more information go to: <http://westpolkswcd.com/1w1p.html>. The hope is that this 1W1P will simplify things, including funding for projects.

Jesme also talked a little about the issues on Goose Lake. They have not been asked to take it on as a project. The issue is there are so many cattails, that it is no longer an area for fowl to use, which is also a concern to hunters. The water is not flowing through and the area needs to be cleared of cattails.

So far the Red Lake Watershed is only furnishing the meeting place for all the parties included in this issue.

The Grand Marais project is completed, which took 3 years, and has won two awards for the RL Watershed District.

Jesme and Allan Page also talked about a tour they took of a Dairy Farm that has 14,000 cows in the milking operations which runs 24/7. They commented that as you drove up, there was literally no smell. They are very environmental in their operation and re-use/re-cycle everything they can.

Auditor Bob Schmitz mentioned the TIFF report that was published in the Oklee Herald for the Freedom Living Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:34 a.m.

Next meeting will be held on July 12, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.



Aubrey Halvorson won first place pulling 30 feet 8 inches, Carter Lambert won second place with a 30 foot 8 inch pull and Lydia got 3rd place with 24 feet 3 inches pull.



First place with 29 feet 6 inches was Alexa, Jett Hanson second place with a 24 foot 10 inch pull and 3rd place was Sky pulling 22 feet 4 inches.



Parker Lundeen won first place in the 5 year old division at the Mini Tractor pull after pulling a full pull.



First place Nolan Lundeen, full pull, second place Gunner Halvorson pulled 29 feet 6 inches and 3rd place Charlie with 27 feet 6 inches.



First place Bella with a full pull and Jaeger in second place pulling 32 feet 6 inches.



During the variety of talent show, Eric and Patty Mickelson sang and played an assortment of songs.



Winners from the Red Lake County Fair Talent Show was Jaedyn in second place, Autumn in first place for the Teen division and Aurimy Olson in first for the Pre-Teen division.



Brielle Reinhold won first place in the children's division at the red Lake County Fair Talent Show.



Lowell and Tyrell Hamrum played a few songs for the audience during the variety of talent portion of the Talent show held at the Red Lake County Fair.

Regional Ag News

Jim Stordahl, Extension Educator

Early Retirement and Virginia Creepers

I should begin by saying that there is no scientific relationship between an early retirement and Virginia Creepers. It's simply that these two subjects collided on my last day at work and I thought it would make an inviting title. Here's how the story unfolds.

On my last day of work, I was contacted by a wonderful family on a farm just east of Fosston to identify a strange, climbing plant. Whenever I hear "climbing plants", I typically think of wild cucumber, which fits the description and is very common in our area. But after an invigorating hike through a wheat field and along a wooded fence line, I found the rather formidable climbing plant trying to overtake a mature oak tree. This clearly was not your average wild cucumber.

Near the ground was a huge mass of leaves, branches and tendrils several feet thick that may have supported the weight of your average Extension Educator. Since I didn't know the average weight of an EE, I chose not to test it. But this tangled mass of vegetation on the ground spiraled upward throughout the tree reaching upwards of 30 feet.

My second thought was that it looked like wild grape. We have wild grape on our wooded fence line, but not this large, plus the leaves looked different. After some quick searching on my smart phone, I found the answer... The Virginia creeper.

Although the name sounds like the title of a low budget horror movie, the name simply refers to one of its native locations. Other plant folks also know it as "woodbine". The plant is a prolific climber often reaching heights of 50

feet and more when allowed to grow in the wild. It is often used as an ornamental plant where it's able to climb smooth surfaces using small forked tendrils tipped with small strongly adhesive pads enabling it to rapidly cover walls and buildings. When used on buildings, the added plus is the deep red to burgundy fall colors.

Virginia creeper produces small and greenish flowers clusters in late spring that look a bit like grape clusters. These mature in the early fall into small hard purplish-black berries. These berries contain oxalic acid, which is moderately toxic to humans and other mammals, but provides an important winter food source for birds.

Is a weed? Well, that all depends on one's perspective. The climbing nature of the plant can damage host trees so there is some risk. On the other hand, it's an attractive plant with colorful fall foliage that provides winter food for birds, so each growing location really needs to be assessed for the advantages and balanced with the risk to the host plant. And now the rest of the story...

Retirement plans

I am taking an early retirement. Considering calendars and birthdays, I'm technically not old enough to retire, but given my years of service, coupled with my age, I'm eligible. The driving force in this decision was an upcoming change in funding. Over the past several years, a portion of my time had been provided by a grant, which ended in June. With that change, I would drop to 60% time (I've been at 80% for many years) which

would drastically change my insurance and benefits now, but even worse, would affect those ever important essentials of life into retirement. Our benefits person suggested I consider retiring now thus locking in those important insurance issues, and consider coming back on a part time basis. So that's the plan.

On June 30th, I retired from the University, but if the powers-that-be are able to put all the pieces in the puzzle, I hope to return later this summer on a part-time basis. The University requires me to take a least a month off before returning so the earliest would be August. Actually, a month off will be nice.

In the meantime, my friend and former coworker, Ray Bisek, will be filling in until a permanent Educator can be hired. Ray spent most of his career in Mahanomen County and over the next several weeks will spend time in both offices (Bagley and McIntosh) and will provide future articles.

So for now, I hope you've enjoyed these articles over the past 20 years and have found them to be useful for things other than lining the birdcage -- although, that's not a totally unworthy use as well. It's my hope that the Counties are able to hire a young person to do the heavy lifting, while I help on a part-time basis with the myriad of questions and problems brought to our offices -- as well as all of the educational events we provide throughout the year. So for now, farewell!

For more information on these and other subjects, contact Ray at 800-450-2465 or bisek001@umn.edu

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Senior Site News and Other Things
By Volunteer Iona Berry



Iona Berry was the winner of the Outstanding Senior Citizen Award given out during the Red Lake County Fair. Iona has been involved in the Senior Site and Craft Shop and in the past was employed by Security State Bank and Oklee Public Schools. Pictured with Iona is John Lerohl.

Red Lake County
Commissioners Minutes

RED LAKE COUNTY
Regular Meeting Held
June 14, 2016

Pursuant to adjournment of its regular meeting the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners duly met in regular session at the courthouse in Red Lake Falls, MN on June 14, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. Chair Simpson called the meeting to order. All members were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Lerohl and carried unanimously to approve the agenda.

Kristi Hanson, NWRL Executive Director met with the board to request funding from the county for the regional library budget as proposed for 2017. The budget represents a 2% increase over the current year. Hanson informed the library is now open approximately 100 hours more per year by adjusting the days of operation which reflects in a significant increase in circulation numbers. Hanson remarked that the regional library has seen an increase in grant funding and other revenue sources and is currently financially stable. Members thanks Hanson for the report. The request will be taken under advisement when preparing the county budget.

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

Vendor Name	Amount
Computer Professionals	
Kurt Ellefson	\$2,026.00
Independent Emergency Services	2,643.62
Insight Technologies	22,789.50
Penguin Management	3,782.00
51 Payments less than \$2,000	3,036.00
	16,129.94
Final Total	50,407.06

The motion includes the following added bills: \$155.00 to Buckly Cota; \$690.75 to Dwight Brekkestrand; \$320.00 to Dwight Huot; \$276.60 to Fischer, Rust & Stock Law Office; 213.50 to The Gazette; \$40.00 to Insight Technologies; \$135.99 to Office Depot; \$500.00 to Pitney Bowes; \$41.00 to REA; \$305.19 to Sarah Violette; \$299.00 to Thompson Rueters.

Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Weiss and carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held May 24, 2016.

Commissioner Weiss moved, seconded by Lerohl and carried unanimously to approve a request from the Red Lake Falls Pathfinders Snowmobile Club, **Resolution No. 06-01-16.** The resolution requests that the county enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota DNR to act as the trail sponsor and fiscal agent to receive funding on behalf of the Pathfinders for maintenance of its trail system. Auditor Schmitz is authorized to sign the

documents on behalf of Red Lake County. A complete document is available at the County Auditor's office.

Environmental Officer Casavan submitted a petition for ditch maintenance on Judicial Ditch No. 60. The landowner is requesting that the ditch be cleaned due to sediment buildup along the west side of Section 30 in Wylie Township. Casavan will survey the area and clean as needed. Commissioner Weiss moved, seconded by Sorensen and carried by unanimous vote to accept the petition as presented.

Social Services Director Kristi Nelson was present to request that her agency be allowed to fill the vacant Office Support Specialist position with that of a Case Aide position, and to be allowed to advertise the position. The position will be a Grade-18 Step-1 at \$17.35 per hour. Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Lerohl and carried unanimously to approve the request as presented.

The following commissioner/committee reports were shared: Commissioner Meeting/Report Weiss Union negotiations for Local 49er's and Tri County Corrections discussing the budget and usage numbers for member counties.

Flage SWCD reviewing the buffer strip map, office lease agreement, and informed that funding is depleted for the 1W1P study.

Sorensen Union negotiations; Tri County Corrections; NW RDC Transportation Advisory, and Inter County Nursing Service. A replacement is needed on the nursing service board.

Lerohl County Fair Board meeting reviewing fair schedule, new policy for member dues, and a grant was received to reside the Melby building. NW Regional Development discussing Aging Program, Roseau East Flood Diversion, audit report, recreation guide, and Executive meeting with ICCC to review bylaws.

Simpson None. Commissioner Sorensen reported that a replacement is needed on the Inter County Nursing Service Board as Sandra Boice is moving. Local resident Sandy Bertilrud is interested. Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Flage and carried unanimously to appoint Sandy Bertilrud to the Nursing Service Board to begin immediately.

County Engineer Kleven and Engineering Tech Jeremy Johnson were present for an 11:00 a.m. scheduled bid opening on two county projects: SAP 063-614-006 a box culvert installation on CSAH #14 south of Red Lake Falls, and SAP 063-613-015 an edge mill overlay on the City of Red Lake Falls portion of CSAH #13.

Six (6) bids were received for SAP 063-614-006 as follows: \$156,206.50 Brummund Excavating; \$97,488.00 Gladen Construction; \$119,282.00 Knife River Materials;

\$112,887.00 Olson Construction; \$90,824.00 Taggart Construction, and \$98,170.00 Triple D Construction. The Engineer's estimate is \$81,790.00 for the project.

One (1) bid was received for SAP 063-613-015 in the amount of \$185,362.00 from Knife River Materials. The Engineer's estimate is \$212,485.00 for the project. Kleven and staff left the meeting to tabulate the bids and to return later with a recommendation for the board.

Auditor Schmitz presented an agreement between the State of Minnesota, Office of Secretary of State and Red Lake County Auditor. The state is in need of election recount services for the automatic recount of votes pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 204C.35 for the primary and general elections as necessary for federal and state offices. The county will be reimbursed at the rate of four cents for each ballot counted during any recount covered by the agreement, with a minimum payment of \$100.00 for a participating county. The County Auditor is designated as the local Deputy Recount Official. Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Flage and carried unanimously carried to approve the agreement as presented.

HR Director Lundeen informed that Extension Office Manager Sharon Weiss is eligible for a wage step increase from Grade-23 Step-8 to Grade-23 Step-9 at \$22.15 per hour. Commissioner Sorensen moved, seconded by Flage, to approve the step change as presented. Voting aye: Commissioners Sorensen, Flage, Lerohl and Simpson. Abstain: Commissioner Weiss. Motion carried.

Lundeen informed that the full-time Deputy Treasurer position was offered to an individual but the offer was declined. Treasurer Knott has had discussions with a retired individual from Pennington County Motor Vehicle who will fill in on an "as needed" basis at a rate of \$20.00 per hour. Commissioner Weiss moved, seconded by Lerohl and carried unanimously to approve the request as presented.

Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Flage and carried by unanimous vote to approve a "Satisfaction of Mortgage Deed" for Nick and Julie Seeger of Red Lake Falls. The mortgage is for a county housing program-rehab loan that has been paid in full. The program is administered by the NW MN Housing Authority in Mentor on behalf of the county.

Engineer Kleven returned to the meeting with bid tabulations from the 11:00 bid opening. Commissioner Lerohl moved, seconded by Flage and carried unanimously to award the sole bid to Knife River Materials in amount of \$185,362.00 for SAP 063-613-015 as submitted, subject to MN/DOT approval and funding.

Commissioner Weiss moved, seconded by Sorensen to award the low bid to Taggart Construction in amount of \$90,824.00 for SAP 063-614-006 as submitted, subject to MN/DOT approval and funding.

Kleven commented on the master plan being discussed by the Red River Corridor. Kleven has submitted information on behalf of the county and City of Red Lake Falls for the trail system. The Corridor group is applying for grant money to develop up to six more canoe access landings along the Clearwater and Red Lake River. The application is due by the end of June.

Kleven informed that bids are being sought for gravel shouldering on the east end of the county to be completed in October; that he is meeting with the Natural Gas Company to complete a cost analysis whether to convert to natural gas for the Highway Department facilities, and the current budget/levy is stable for Highway Department operations.

The board was informed that a Landowners meeting is being held today with the DNR to review the Goose Lake Marsh Management Plan and accept input.

The board was provided with an update on the DNR Buffer Mapping Project from Dave Leuthe, DNR Project Manager.

The regular board meeting went into closed session at 11:43 a.m. to discuss Local 49er's union negotiations. The regular meeting re-opened at 11:53 a.m. There was no action taken from the closed session.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned until June 28, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

Attest:
Robert Schmitz, County Auditor

Chuck Simpson
Chair, Board of Commissioners
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Oklee Herald Early Files

**Seventy Years Ago
July 11, 1946**
Oklee Radio Shop was advertising their expert radio repair.

G. R. Clemenson returned from the army and resumed his duties as Standard Oil company agent.

Jan Dillard was the winner of the national breast stroke championship.

**Sixty Years Ago
July 12, 1956**
Oklee's first July Fourth accident happened at a local intersection causing two vehicles to be badly bent.

T. M. Mutnansky offered new and used farm machinery, trucks and tractors as well as repairing.

Red Lake Electric Co-op was advertising an electric frying pan with a free trial of 10 days and \$2.00 down payment if purchased.

**Fifty Years Ago
July 7, 1966**
A windstorm at the Louis Mathson farm caused a grain bin to be lifted from the ground and thrown into the air, destroying the grain bin. Otter Tail was offering

twenty dollars in bonus bucks if you purchased an air conditioner over the summer months.

A five year class reunion was held for the Oklee High School graduating class of 1961.

**Forty Years Ago
July 8, 1976**
Gaylen Hendrum suffered an insulin reaction that caused the pickup he was driving to go out of control and hit their home.

Donald Ditsch was selected as new principal of the elementary school.

Jerry Stoker won the prize for the most unique beard. He applied sugar to his beard and had a queen bee eat the sugar off.

**Thirty Years Ago
July 9, 1986**

An art show was being held in the Oklee High School music room during the Red Lake County fair. New law came into effect stating all drivers must show proof of insurance or they risk having their license taken away.

Gayle Hilgeman, Linda, Angel and Eric Mickelson, Leslie Wilde, Lester Vad, Alvin

Jensen, Gene Arveson, Alan Marquis, and Lonny Burrack attended the roping class located at the Oklee High School.

**Twenty Years Ago
July 10, 1996**
Donny Larson played his guitar and sang during the Oklee Community Club picnic. 53 people donated blood to help patients in the area.

Two mothers from the local area attended a "Stand for Children" rally held in Minneapolis to learn, share, and advocate for children.

Jim and Joann Papke welcomed their son Iver into the family.

**Ten Years Ago
July 6, 2006**

Mikayla Miller and Breanna Columbus sang "Amazing Grace" during the Red Lake County Fair talent show and received first place.

Betsy Winkler and Faith Kruchowski set new school records in track and also went to state.

Doris LaJambe and her family held a reunion at Lake Osakis. This was their 15th year of having a reunion.

Plummer News
By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

Delphine Claussen of Ridgefield, Connecticut and her daughter Kathy, from Rhode Island visited Jean Carpenter on Friday. Delphine is Jean's sister.

Delphine and Kathy went to Merle Gagner's at Maple Bay on Saturday, then on Sunday Jean, Judy and Kelley joined the group at Inn at Maple Crossing for chicken dinner on Sunday. Merle is Jean's other sister.

Cindy Thomas, Manhattan, Kansas come Tuesday evening to Jean Carpenter's. Jean celebrated her 92nd birthday on Wednesday. Some of her kids came over.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Anderson from Glenville, Minnesota visited with Inga Linder last Wednesday. Kenneth is Inga's cousin. They had a nice visit.

Alice Jobe and Anna DeHate attended the Baja races at the Oklee gravel pits on Saturday. Anna's grandson, Blake raced in it. Roger Gallant also attended. It was quite exciting with some scary things happening. The weather was sunny and windy. Alice also saw the 4-H exhibits.

The local people have been busy getting Plummer ready for the 4th.

Alice Jobe visited Jean Matt and Fern Eskeli at Oakland

Park on Thursday. She also visited friend Esther Evenson.

Visitors are rolling in from out of town for the big 4th. Should be a lot of people.

The fence line at the ball diamond was taken down the past week or so. It has been in use many years. Plummer had a men's baseball team in 1916, Plummer A's, not sure what the A stands for-maybe athletics. In the 40's there were the Plummer Red Sox. The schools used the field for many years; Red Lake Falls has baseball for the guys and maybe gals. The fields can still be used by the public for entertainment.

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

Many activities were attended by all of us this past weekend. Here are a few things we took in and some other news that I gleaned from the folks I know.

Marc Parenteau and Yvonne went to Maple Lake Pavilion to shop at the craft and arts show on Saturday.

Candy DeMars visited with Cindy Determan and went to church on Thursday then went to Cindy Determan's home along with Elizabeth, Emma and Mickayla Determan and Heidi Determan for breakfast.

Our life was busy this past weekend. Rebecca Novak came to visit at the Jerome Novak home on Friday. Mathew and Nancy Ellenson, Margaret, Daphne, and Phillip visited with the family. Then Friday evening they all went to the reception of Brittney and Kevin Kuznia at the hotel in Crookston.

On Saturday the Novak's and the Ellenson's went to the 90th birthday party of Mary Anne Tupa in Grand Forks at Holy Family Church. Many cousins and friends gathered and visited during this family get together. Mary Anne had 11 children so it was fun to visit with all of them and catch up on the news in their family.

On Sunday the Novaks went to visit and eat, and eat, and visit with the Ray and Reinette Walter cabin on Union Lake.

It was fun visiting with the Walter siblings who live in many places in the country and who we see very seldom. It was a great family get together.

On Monday the Fourth of July the Novaks went to Plummer to catch the parade. It was a fun day and a nice parade. The parade brought people from all over to town. Plummer's work is much appreciated by the public in every town. The town fills up with people and cars. Lots of visiting and fun for everyone.

Mary and Vern Schindler attended the parade in Plummer for the Fourth.

This was the 89th birthday for AJ Parenteau. Happy Birthday A.J. An annual golf tournament was held in his honor again this year. I heard that over forty couples were participating in that tournament. I sure hope that A.J. and his family had a great weekend.

Our new priest came to say Mass at our little Mission church. Being the holiday, a lot of people were not there on Sunday but with all of our gusto we greeted Father Bob Schriener and welcomed him on Sunday.

Now that the days are growing shorter, we are heading into fall. We got a small shot of rain on Monday, but not nearly enough. Things

will be going faster and faster down to the cool weather and the mouse running on the squirrel cage runs faster and faster to keep up but never quite getting caught up. So it goes for us. Jerome Novak will be going back to the hospital for 5 days. He goes in on the 7th of July.

We hope your week will be productive and fun. Take some time to smell the flowers. Work is important but a balance of pleasure is needed as well for a healthy life. Don't forget to balance.

Bonny's Bits...
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Alvin Jensen is now living at a home in Detroit Lakes. His address is 1415 Madison Ave., Detroit Lakes, MN 56501-4542. Drop him a line or two or if you're in the area, drop by for a visit.

The Red Lake County Fair has come and gone, and it was a busy time for the paper to try and cover all the events. Thankfully, I have a great intern willing to help cover and some help from the Gazette in Red Lake Falls also. We are sharing photos from the papers so you will see some from the Oklee Herald and some from the Gazette.

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat?
This weeks photo is from the earlier days of Oklee. The Herald received negatives from Omar Sundrud's files and they are being scanned in to the system. There was no information on some of them and this is one of them. If you know who and what they are doing, please call the Oklee Herald office at 218-796-5181.

Last weeks photo was of three people who grew up in the Oklee area and graduated from Oklee High School. They are the daughters of Elmer Hanson, Cheryl, Mary Jo and Ellen.



Wednesday, July 6, 2016