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Weather: It's getting summery. "All of the news you really need. Probably more" "Noli credere omnia legis"

School's Out...



Pic and commentary by Mark Minnick
The smiles on their faces means it's the last day of school for these kids! Only a half a day of classes, then a picnic lunch. ***But, school's not out forever little Buckaroos…*** *Anyway, L-R,* **Naszhara Hutchins**, **Cameron Kaiser** and **Braleigh Nelson**.



"ol' Black Eyes" Alice Cooper



Guest speaker, **Amanda Duenow**.





Post 126 Commander Mark Adams recognizes **Ron Mortenson,** *left,* and **John Boll,** *right*, for 50 years of membership in post 126.



Invocation was given by **Pastor Mindy.**

American Legion Post 126

Remembering...

Pics and commentary by Curt Meyer

The Cosmos Legion Family held **Memorial Day Services** on **Monday May 27th**. Due to unsettled weather, services were held at the Community Center.

Deceased members were remembered. They were **Wade "Rosco" Ross**, **Orville Dahlk, Jr**, **Julie Seifert**, **Arnold Lang** and **Don Deleeuw**. May they rest in peace.

A Memorial Wreath was placed followed by a rifle salute and taps, then the flag was raised. Service was followed by a potluck lunch (no shortage of food).

Thanks to all who attended, brought food and helped in any way. ***The Cosmos Legion Family.***



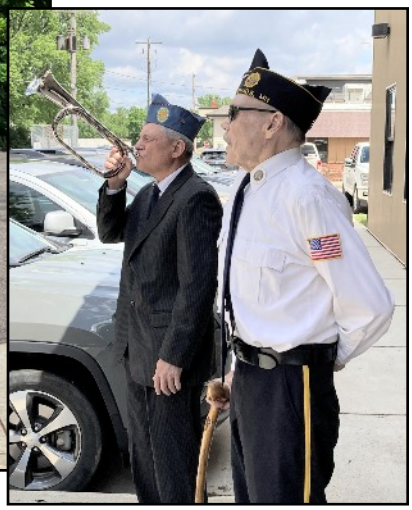
Brooklyn Lies reads a poem called, **"The Final Inspection".**



Rifle Salute performed by Post 126 Legion Members.



96 years young, **Dick Mortenson** is Post 126's only **WWII Vet.**



"Taps" performed by **Butch Schmeling** as **Sergeant at Arms, Ferd Schauman** looks on.

I was going through a box of my mothers and I found this stack of **"Handy Hints"** she had clipped and saved. As I read through some of them, I thought they should be shared.

I asked Mark if he would like to put them in the Gazette. He said "Of course" but only if I would type them up and e-mail them to him. *(That was not in my plan.)*

So here they are. If these hints don't work, PLEASE don't shoot the messenger. I hope you enjoy them. ***Janice Blum***

Editor Mark's additional note:

Try at your own risk Buckaroos. :) Just sayin…



By Janice Blum

HOT COMPRESS

When you need a hot compress and it's hard to keep getting up and down, take a crock pot, turn to low and put in three or four wet washcloths. They'll always be handy at your bedside or recliner and always hot for continual use. Great when you are confined to bed and alone.

COPY YOUR VALUABLES

If you ever lost your wallet would you be able to remember all of the cards you carry in it? Not me. You can lay out all of your cards on a copy machine and run a copy. You may be able to fit them all on one sheet. Then put the sheet in a safe place at home. If you ever need the information it is all in one place, including your drivers license, Credit card numbers, medical cards, etc.

STAIN FREE

Here's a good way to eliminate tomato sauce stains from plastic dishes and containers: Soak the affected plastic items in water containing a small amount of lemon juice.

LEMON JUICE

I went into the store looking for one lemon but all I found was a bag of 8 lemons. Well I bought the bag of 8 and used the one I needed. I then decided to squeeze all the lemons and put the juice from each one in a small plastic container (snack bags also work) and put them in my freezer. Now I have lemon juice whenever I need it.

Danielson Hustlers 4-H Club Report

The Danielson Hustlers 4-H Meeting was held at the Grove City Community Center on May 19, 2024 at 2:30 p.m. The club started the meeting with a "Member Match-Up" game. We had partners and found out their name along with what they were excited about for summer!

The Danielson Hustlers meeting was then called to order at 2:35 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge were said. Roll call was "What is your partner's name and what are they MOST excited about for summer?" The secretary's report and treasures report were given and both were approved by the club. We had no correspondence at this meeting. We had some new members join and there were families checking out the meeting to maybe join.

Old business

• May Day Baskets: We had many from the club that delivered to community members.

• T-Shirt order update: All t-shirts were brought to the meeting for pick up. We have had a few families that couldn't make it so they will be brought to the next meeting.

• Community Pride Collaboration with Litchfield Satellites: We are still waiting to hear back from the Litchfield Satellites with more information. We will be talking more about donations for a dollar amount at the next meeting.

New business

• Stingers Club Outing/Fundraiser: The club decided to sell Stingers tickets for $20.00 per ticket for adults and children. The ticket includes food, a car show before the game and fireworks at the end of the game. The game is on Saturday, July 20 at 7:05 p.m. We keep 100% proceeds of what we sell. We will wear our club t-shirts at this event.

• Shade Awning for Cosmos playground: Heather Sage will get more info for the next meeting. Other thoughts were planting flowers at Windmill Park in Grove City, Lanette Holmquist will look into this for more details for the next meeting.

• Parade Committee: The Atwater, Cosmos, and Grove City Parades the club will attend. The Anderson family is letting us use their vehicle/trailer along with the Lund family providing a vehicle as well. We will be wearing our club t-shirts for all of the parades we attend. For the next meeting things to be discussed. Who will provide candy? Will we be handing out flyers about our club?

• Club Tour: Our Club Tour is our next meeting on Sunday, June 9 at 2:00 p.m. We will be starting at the Anderson Family, the Thyen/Nelson Families and ending with the Lund Family. We will be having our meeting then a potluck afterward.

We had a Project/Demonstration talks by Elizabeth Thyen and Kaden Nelson. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m. After our meeting the club enjoyed refreshments. Our next club meeting is Sunday, June 9 at 2:00 p.m. starting our club tour at the Anderson Family residence.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauran Arndt

Danielson Hustlers Reporter

Summer Fun

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Pee Wee's

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MINUTES
CITY OF COSMOS
REGULAR MEETING
May 9, 2024

A regular meeting of the Cosmos City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas McCarthy at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 9, 2024.
COUNCIL PRESENT: Council Members Mark Minnick, Emily Van Hatten, Angelica Hopp and Jody Fruetel viz cell phone.
ALSO PRESENT: Public Works Nikki Brazzi and City Administrator John Douville
Adopt Agenda – A motion by Hopp, seconded by Van Hatten, to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.
Adopt Consent Agenda – A motion by Minnick, seconded by Fruetel, to adopt the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

1) April 11, 2024 City Council Minutes.
2) Waive League of MN Insurance Additional Liability
3) City Attorney – Steve Besser of Thomson, Sperry, Jensen & Keithan

VISITORS PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDANCE

Public Hearing 5:45 p.m. Health, Safety and Public Nuisance Properties – A motion by Minnick, seconded by Van Hatten, to recess the regular city council meeting and Open the Public Hearing to discuss the proposed Health and Safety Ordinance update. Motion carried**.**

Four properties were under review located at 220 Mercury St. S., 231 Venus St. S., 311 Astro Blvd E. and 521 Jupiter St. S.

Jim Deleeuw, 231 Venus St. S. and Julie Schafer, 311 Astro Blvd. E. were present to discuss their properties.

Administrator Douville stated this was a courtesy hearing, allowing residents to be made aware the City was working towards having properties cleaned up and in compliance with city ordinances.

A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Minnick, to close the Public Hearing and reconvene the regular city council meeting at 6:05 p.m. Motion carried**.**

May 9, 2024 Bills List - A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Hopp, to approve the May 9, 2024 bills list with check numbers from 16781-16825 for $44,197.73. Motion carried**.**

City Plow Truck – Mayor McCarthy has contacted a repair shop that is confident they can repair the plow on the plow truck. The city will make preparations for that repair.

Public Works Supervisor – a motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Minnick, to increase the public works supervisor's pay $1.50 to $24.50. Motion carried**.**

Spring Clean-Up – Spring Clean up is scheduled for Saturday, May 11th 2024 from 8 to 11 a.m. With drop off items brought to the public works at that time. No early dumping is allowed. **Payment for large items will be at the site, no tags will be presold this year.**
Special City Council Meeting – a motion by Minnick, seconded by Hopp, to authorize a special City Council meeting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday May 21, 2022 to issue $4,300,000 in GO Utility Revenue Bonds. Motion carried**.**

June City Council Meeting - A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Minnick, move the June City Council meeting to 5:30 p.m. June 11, 2024.
Next City Council Meeting – The next city council meeting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 11, 2024. The agenda will be posted in the city office window, post office and bank vestibule by Tuesday afternoon. Any change in meeting dates or times will be displayed on the digital sign.
Motion to Adjourn - A motion by Hopp, seconded by Minnick, to adjourn the City Council meeting at 7:15 p.m. Motion carried.
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John A. Douville, Administrator/Clerk

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4:00-7:00 PM

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Adults: $10.00
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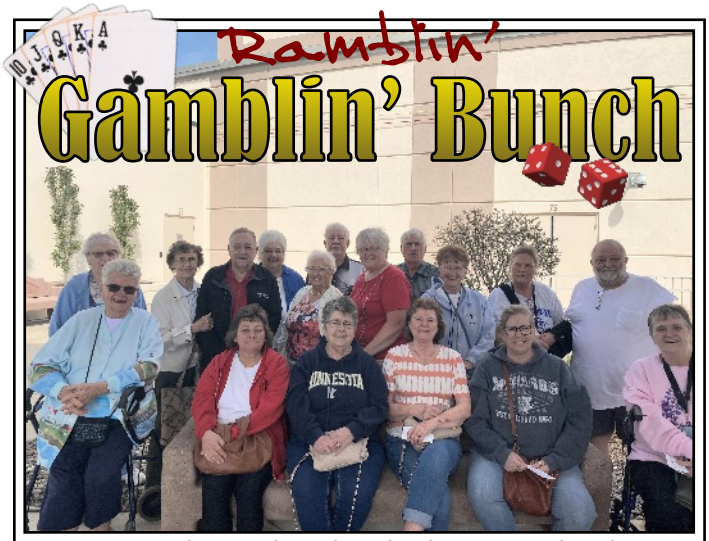

Front row-**Delores Arndt, Twyla Oachs, Elaine Berry, Judy Tusha, Joyce Karrigan, Barb Koelln.**
Back row-**Shirley Anderson, Gladys and Leo Macik, Sharon Burgess, Betty Novotny, Brian Burgess, Linda and Dennis Hopp, Nancy Kiecker, Shirley Reinert, Tom Reinert.**

Pic and commentary by Joyce Karrigan

The Cosmos Senior Citizens Club, friends and guests boarded a coach bus on Wednesday, May 15 for a trip to Mystic Lake.

The Cosmos Senior Citizens Club has partnered with the Willmar Good Neighbor Club and will be able to offer a coach bus every month for others to sign up and go.

Dates are **June 19th, July 10th** and **August 14th**.
Contact ***Sharon Burgess (320) 583-5321***



Hey....wait a minute!

Gazette subscriber and total eclipse observer **Patty (Lux) Francis** told me by phone that she remembered when her mom **Aggie**, far right, bowled on this team. She named most of the other gals too. The Gazette will have to get her a couple of KewPies; One for her 'Cosmos Women's Bowling History' knowledge and the other for the eclipse pics. It shouldn't strain the KewPie inventory too much. ;)



CHAMPIONS of the Wednesday Night Women's League is Minnick's 66 team, above. Left to right, team members are: Dorothy Minnick, Phyllis Grussendorf, Dorothy Raske, Norma Runke, Joyce Rennecke and Agnes Lux.—Cosmos News staff photo.

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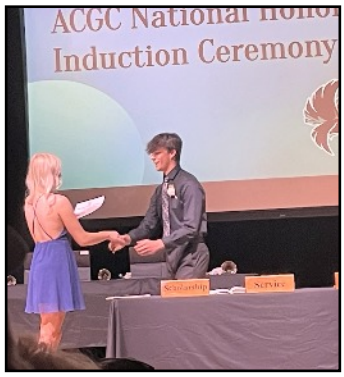

Gage receiving his award from **Mikaili Johnson**.

Gage Degner Inducted Into National Honor Society

By Mark Minnick
Pics and info by Leslie Degner

Cosmos kid and ACGC sophomore **Gage Degner** was inducted into the National Honor Society this spring. The ceremony took place April 17th at ACGC High School, with thirty nine of his schoolmates also receiving honors. Congratulations Gage!



ACGC Varsity Baseball teammates and National Honor Society guys. Who knew baseball players could be so smart? ;) L-R; **Gage Degner, Jonas Morrison** and **Marcus Forsythe**.



Zoom, Zoom!



Pics and commentary Mark Minnick

Being a crippled motorhead, I notice things. Like a four door family sedan with a parachute mounted on the back, sitting on a car trailer. Bad brakes maybe? Or was it just a small BBQ grill? This certainly warrants closer inspection, me thinks. *(Some just call it 'being nosey'.)*

Regardless, I rolled over to this odd but very cool looking piece sitting in the Casey's parking area. By gosh, there really was a 'chute mounted on the back and *very* wide tires all the way around. Things are getting cooler here.

I finally introduced myself to the owner, South Dakotan **David Singh.** He told me his little blue jewel is a Mitsubishi ***2.0L all-wheel drive, drag racer!*** *(Sorry, I wasn't smart enough to get a pic of him. Hey, the car's more important, right?)*

Anyway, he and two of his buddies were taking it down to a tuner in St. Paul to get a few more 'beans' out of it. He indicated that right now it now puts out 850 horse, but he was looking for more. Yikes, but a nice yikes.

I complemented him on the car, wished him luck and told him to be careful. *(Hey, old people have to say that.)*

They headed for St. Paul and I headed home. Sure glade I was paying attention this particular day, I met some great guys and saw a great car with a parachute. Don't see that everyday.

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Nature and the Great Outdoors

Hey, it's nice outside!



A **family of geese** head for the safety and comfort of the backyard pond.



A fawn lays motionless next to a neighbor's deck, waiting for the doe to come back, which she did.

Urban Wildlife

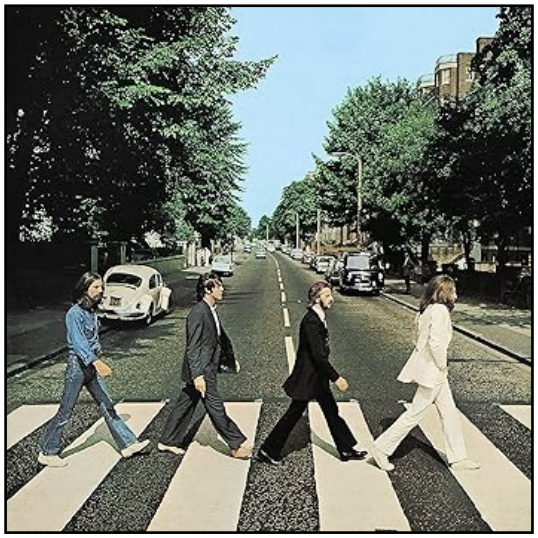
By Mark Minnick

D.I.L. **Brittany** sent me these pics of wildlife sightings near their home in Lakeville, MN. Kinda neat, me thinks. Enjoy.



Newly hatched robins, *left.* My, how quick the little darlings grow with a steady diet of garden worms and assorted bugs, *right.*





Brittany suggested that the geese crossing the road was reminiscent of **The Beatles "Abbey Road"** album cover. I agree. But, what would the adult goose represent? The "Fifth Beatle" **George Martin**, or **Yoko Ono?**

You decide…
…and be nice.





Nature and the Great Outdoors

2024 Local Angling Outlook

Hey, it's nice outside!

**Courtesy of the Hutchinson Area DNR Fisheries Staff*

2023 saw a rash of winterkill events on area lakes as the ice came off, a phenomenon that had not been seen at a wider landscape level since 2014. A long winter that began with heavy snowfall that persisted throughout the winter, shut out the lights early and set the wheels in motion for low dissolved oxygen and winterkill. Shallow lakes and ponds used for fish rearing were hit hardest, but a set of four lakes with maximum depths of 28 feet or more in Collinwood, Richardson, Spring, and Long all took partial winterkills inexplicably. The winter of 2024 was the mildest on record, with many lakes carrying ice cover for around 60-70 days and very little snow accumulating during the winter; as a result, winterkill was non-existent. 2021-2023 were three straight years of drought. The impacts of low water levels entering 2024 could impact boat launching but shouldn't have many impacts on fish resources. The traditional fishing opener lands on May 11, 2024. Angling in 2024 should continue to be strong in the Hutchinson Area. Walleye angling should continue to be excellent at Belle, Washington, Big Swan, Marion, and Hanska. Pike anglers will do well at Star, Jennie, Collinwood, Ripley, and Betty, with chances for some memorable pike at Minnie-Belle with its protected slot limit. Bass anglers will have enjoyable days when they get into the fish at Minnie-Belle, Stella, Washington, Francis, and Ripley. The Minnesota River is an incredible fishery that deserves more attention from anglers. If 2024 stays dry, bring family and friends down to the river for some shorefishing on exposed sandbars. If 2024 is wet, launch your boat, navigate carefully, and fish around for phenomenal walleye and sauger fishing, world class catfishing, or just toss out a gob of nightcrawlers and be amazed at the diversity and size of your catch.

Walleye: Last year's walleye jaw tagging efforts on **Marion** continued to show the recent and long term trend of prosperity within the lake's walleye population. Some 1,300 adult walleye were tagged and by the end of the summer, a strong bite out of the gate during the open water period resulting in nearly 150 tagged fish reported as harvested. With poor ice conditions, many of those tagged walleyes are still out there as well as a couple of young year classes (2020, 2022) that are ready to create great fishing. Marion's walleye population has thrived off natural reproduction alone of late; the lake was last stocked in 2019 and will only be stocked if two poor year classes in a row are observed in fall sampling. **Belle** Lake continues to be the old reliable walleye producer. Like Marion, Belle's walleye population has blossomed in the absence of stocking. **Big Swan** Lake has been a local hot spot for walleyes for a few years now and that trend should continue in 2024. A healthy-looking yearling cohort of walleye is about to start it's third growing season and will be the an ideal fit for your frying pan. **Washington**'s walleye have settled into a nice groove. The lake itself is ideal spawning habitat, and it's connection to **Manuella** and **Stella** (upstream) helps connect a mix of habitat types. Early ice reports from last winter on Washington were strong and should translate to good fishing in 2024. **Minnie-Belle** is the site of this year's Hutchinson Area DNR walleye tagging study that helps estimate the population, examine adult spawning population genetic ancestry, and estimate angler harvest. Minnie-Belle has an abundant walleye population with a mix of large fish and some smaller eaters. **Hanska** has been a walleye factory in Brown County. Regular fry stocking has resulted in strong year classes almost routinely developing.

Northern Pike: If you want a chance at the largest northern pike in the area, **Minnie-Belle** Lake is the easy choice. Minnie-Belle has two decades with a 24 to 36 inch protected slot limit that works to keep medium and large size pike in the lake. DNR Fisheries survey results have consistently shown more large pike in the lake as a result, including fish as large as a 38 inch female caught by DNR crews this past spring during ice out netting. The other place for big pike is **Erie**. Erie is not a very large lake but has deep water and a great mix of submerged vegetation that provide excellent habitat. If you catch a large pike on Erie or other lakes in the Hutchinson Area, consider releasing the fish to provide top-down predator control of smaller pike and to give another angler the opportunity to catch that same fish when it is larger. Big pike are too valuable to be caught only once! While **Collinwood** Lake suffering a partial winterkill last year was unfortunate, it had little impact on the low dissolved oxygen tolerant northern pike population. As a result, pike numbers are booming! Collinwood typically turns very turbid by mid-summer, so over time and in the long run, conditions are more likely to favor walleyes. For now, enjoy the abundant pike and consistent action. If you want more great pike action, try checking out **Star**, **Round**, **Jennie**, **Ripley**, or **Betty** lakes.





Bass: Washington and **Stella** grab all the attention for bass fishing in the Hutchinson Area, but for good reason. This pair of connected lakes offers loads of docks, scattered rocks, bulrush beds, and submerged vegetation lines to catch both smallmouth and largemouth bass. Being within an hour's drive of St. Cloud and the Twin Cities, these lakes are popular with permitted fishing tournaments, local club level bass leagues, and for-fun fishing derbies. Smallmouth bass can also be caught in **Manuella** and **Big Swan** lakes. For numbers of largemouth bass, check out **Minnie-Belle** and **Francis**. Some real lunker largemouth can be found on **Jennie**, **Erie**, and **Greenleaf** lakes. To get away from the crowds, check out some smaller lakes like **Dunns**, **Stahl's**, or **Sleepy Eye** lakes.

Sunfish: A pair of lakes in the Hutchinson Area have historically supported some very nice sized sunfish, something of a rarity for the area as well as uncommon across the state. **Minnie-Belle** and **Ripley** have produced some plate-sized sunfish and now have a 5 sunfish bag limit in order to protect and increase the number of quality, large-sized sunfish anglers can catch on these lakes. Both lakes have green sunfish, bluegill sunfish, and pumpkinseed sunfish, as well as hybrids of two bluegill species, which can make for some giant sunfish. While the population dynamics are slightly different, both **Washington** and **Jennie** can kick out some huge sunfish. They can be hard to find, but these lakes are places to seek a needle in the haystack giant bluegill. **Union**, **Clear** by Watkins, and **Francis** are great places to find a mix of size and numbers. If action and keeping young or novice anglers busy is the goal, check out **Stahl's**. Bluegill sunfish are ubiquitous to most deep and stable fishing lakes in the Hutchinson Area but their size and abundance depends on habitat quality and fish community dynamics. One thing anglers can do to preserve large sunfish opportunities for future generations of anglers is to release large, male sunfish, best identified by prominent and elongate black ear tabs on their gill covers and bright orange breast colors. These large, parental male sunfish guard nests during the spawn and devote their energy to growth while delaying sexual maturity until later in life, enabling them to grow to large sizes and passing down that useful genetic life history. Removing these parental males results in smaller, earlier maturing males passing on their genetics instead. To keep large sunfish in our lakes, let the big males go and harvest smaller males and females.

Crappie: Crappie fishing in the Hutchinson Area can be good on some lakes at certain times. Like many Minnesota lakes, crappie populations and subsequent angling opportunity can ebb and flow over time as crappies experience erratic recruitment to adult sizes. Traditionally, **Belle** has been a popular lake early in the year, but of late has not had high abundance of black crappie. **Marion** has a lot of black crappie between 10 and 14 inches which should provide some excellent angling this year. **Swan** Lake sees large natural population variability in its black crappie population. Presently at Swan, the population is fair but the size is very good. **Big Swan** has some large crappie, both black crappie, white crappie, and hybrids of the two. Despite a partial winterkill at **Richardsons**, there were plenty of surviving crappies and the partial kill may reduce some of the competition among crappie, temporarily boosting growth and growing larger sized crappie. **Dunns** and Richardsons are good for both numbers and size and contain both black, white, and hybrid crappie. **Washington** and **Stella** have good numbers and size on black crappie. While **Clear** Lake by New Ulm took a partial winterkill last year, some of the crappie survived and should grow big crappies entering the 2024 season. Steadiness of crappie angling is no easy thing to hold onto, but **Clear** by Watkins has been a steady producer for a number of years now, both in the open water and ice angling periods.

Bullhead: While requests for bullhead fishing lake recommendations have dropped drastically from their height of popularity in the 1970's and 1980's, a few people still want to find bullheads for sentimental fish fries or even for bait for flathead catfish on the Minnesota River. If you want to catch a mess of bullheads, give **Cedar, Long** by Grove City, and **Hoff** Lakes a try. You can also do well on **Otter** and **Campbell** Reservoirs in the Hutchinson city limits.

Other species: Other options in the Hutchinson area include **Little Mud** Lake by Watkins for Rainbow Trout. Rainbows are stocked every spring and fall. **Betty, Marion,** and **Swan** Lakes are all places anglers can target Channel Catfish. In addition, the **Minnesota River** is the place for world class fishing opportunities for Channel Catfish and Flathead Catfish. **Fort Ridgley, Spring (Hindeman), Ramsey,** and **Seven Mile** creeks are all opportunities to catch stream trout in the Hutchinson area. All four streams are stocked in the spring with both Rainbow and Brown trout, except for Seven Mile which is only stocked with Brown Trout.



TIDBITS



Greetings! Congratulations to all the high school and college graduates. Best wishes to you all. Remember success is not a destination. Success is a progressive realization of your worthwhile goals and dreams. It's a life long journey. The time you spend grooming relationships with family and friends is the most important time you can spend. This month in honor of our area graduates, I present several great quotes from great people;

"If standard of living is your major objective, quality of life almost never improves, but if quality of life is your number one objective, your standard of living almost always improves."
Zig Ziglar

"Your reputation is in the hands of others. That's what a reputation is. You can't control that. The only thing you can control is your character." **Dr. Wayne W. Dyer**

"Nothing great has ever been achieved except by those who dared believe something inside them was superior to circumstances." **Bruce Barton**

"Circumstances do not make a man, they reveal him."
Dr. Wayne W. Dyer

"I know the price of success: dedication, hard work and an unremitting devotion to the things you want to see happen."
Frank Lloyd Wright

"Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a harder battle."
Plato

"Whether you be man or woman you will never do anything in this world without courage. It is the greatest quality of the mind next to honor." **James Allen**

"You have to perform at a consistently higher level than others. That's the mark of a true professional." **Joe Paterno**

"A total commitment is paramount to reaching the ultimate in performance." **Tim Flores** - NFL coach

Don't waste life in doubts and fears; spend yourself on the work before you, well assured that the right performance of this hour's duties will be the best preparation for the hours or ages that follow it." **Ralph Waldo Emerson**

"Happy are those who dream dreams and are willing to pay the price to make them come true." **Anonymous**

"Any fact facing us is not as important as our attitude toward it, for that determines our success or failure. The way you thing about a fact may defeat you before you ever do anything about it. You are overcome by the fact because you think you are."
Norman Vincent Peale

"If you believe you can, you probably can. If you believe you won't, you most assuredly won't. Belief is the ignition switch that gets you off the launching pad." **Denis Waitley**

"The optimist sees opportunity in every danger; the pessimist sees danger in every opportunity." **Winston Churchill**

"Our attitudes control our lives. Attitudes are a secret power working twenty-four hours a day, for good or bad. It is of paramount importance that we know how to harness and control this great force." **Tom Blandi**

"The greatest discovery of my generation is that human beings can alter their lives by altering their attitudes of mind."
William James

Laugh's of the month: While looking at a house, my brother asked the real estate agent which direction was North because, he explained, he didn't want the sun waking him up every morning. She asked, "Does the sun rise in the North?" When my brother explained that the sun rises in the East, (and has for sometime), she shook her head and said, ***"Oh, I don't keep up with that stuff "…….***

I used to work in technical support for a 24/7 call center. One day I got a call from an individual who asked what hours the call center was open. I told him, "The number you dialed is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week." He responded, "Is that Eastern or Pacific time?" Wanting to end the call quickly, I said, ***"Uh, Pacific"…….***



The Cosmos Public Library News



by Beth Cronk, Meeker County Library

This summer, the theme of the summer reading program is **"Read. Renew. Repeat."** The library will be celebrating things like conservation, recycling, ecosystems, plants, and animals.

Kids and teens up to age 18 can sign up for the self-paced reading program starting Monday, June 3. No need to worry if you can't get to the library that day; sign-up continues all summer. The Cosmos program ends August 31. When kids sign up, they'll get a book bag, a bookmark, and a reading log.

The summer reading program is always self-paced. Children work their way through the reading game sheets, earning spaces by reading or being read to for 20 minutes (counting up to an hour a day), and by doing other activities like being active for at least 20 minutes, reading aloud to a person or a pet, or attending a library program.

For teens, there's a more straightforward sheet for tracking hours of reading. Whenever kids bring in a completed sheet, they can choose from a wide variety of small prizes. At the end of each month, the library will hold a drawing from the sheets turned in that month, giving kids the chance to win a bonus prize.

The goal of the summer reading program is to encourage kids to read all summer long so that they keep up their reading skills and return to school in the fall ready to learn. Because of that, kids can do one reading sheet after another all summer until late August and keep earning prizes.

We are very excited about some special programs this summer! On Friday, June 14, at 2:00 p.m., CLIMB Theatre will present **"County Mouse & City Mouse: Adventure in the Suburbs."**

In this short play for children, a pair of mouse cousins visit the suburbs. Country Mouse wants to explore the new area, while City Mouse wants to read, renew, and repeat for a relaxing vacation. Will conflict tear apart their relationship, or will they learn to "compro-mice" and celebrate their differences? In this play, kids will learn to use their empathy skills and to advocate for their own needs. Free to attend, and no need to sign up.

On Thursday, June 20, at 3:00 p.m., the library is offering an art workshop for kids: **Up Cycle Art Class with Aina Jane**. Children are invited to bring in a few small items from home like ribbon, a button, an old card, etc. They will be able to incorporate these items into their own upcycled art.

More items will be available from the teacher at the class. For ages 8 and up. Advance registration is required since space is limited; sign up at the library or by calling 320-440-1012. Free to attend; funded in part or in whole by Minnesota's Arts & Cultural Heritage Fund.

On Tuesday, June 25, at 4:00 p.m., a local Master Gardener is holding a program for children called **"Garden, Learn, & Play."** She will teach them about plants through fun activities. Free to attend, and no need to sign up. The program will run about 45 minutes.

Looking ahead, mark your calendars for these events in July:

- **Friday, July 5, 2:00 p.m.: DNR program about birds**
- **Friday, July 12, 2:00 p.m.: Science Museum of Minnesota program about dinosaurs**
- **Friday, July 19, 5:00-8:00 p.m.: Mini golf in the community room for Space Festival**

On the 3rd Monday of each month this summer, kids ages 5-18 are invited to build with **LEGO's** in the library at Cosmos Creation Club: June 17, July 15, and August 19, from 2-3 p.m. No need to sign up or bring anything, other than an adult or teen caregiver for those under age 8.

Looking for the new Litchfield and Hutchinson newspapers? You can read them at the Cosmos Library.

The Cosmos Library's hours are;
Mondays 10-5, Tuesdays 2-5, Thursdays 2-6, Fridays 2-5, and Saturdays 10-1.

Pony's & Firetrucks: *It don't get any better than that!*





Pics and commentary by Angie Degner

On Friday, May 3rd the Cosmos Fire Department volunteered their time to train and show the children at the Cosmos Head Start their equipment. The children enjoyed seeing how the equipment worked, spraying the water and showing how they can stop, drop and roll.

Then on Monday, May 13th Michael Degner brought a miniature pony for the kids to observe. He also brought equipment that he uses on the horses and showed how it is used.

The Cosmos Head Start would like to thank Michael Degner, Mathew Plieseis and Jake Hansen for coming into our classroom and volunteering their time. The children really enjoyed it!

**United Community Action Partnership (UCAP) is currently taking applications for the Cosmos Head Start Program (ages 3-5). Classes run four days a week, from 8:30-2:30. We are a free program and three meals per day are provided. If you would like an application for Cosmos Head Start call (320) 905-8587. UCAP also offers Early Head Start (prenatal-up to 3 years old) and for Early Head Start call (320) 220-2639. You can also apply for either program by visiting our website at unitedcapmn.org.*

Where's the Gazette?



Bloomington, MN.

Start 'em young! Two year old **CeCe Hahnen Zach**. She also likes using the newsletter for a coloring book. Proof that the Gazette truly is, ***"All the news you really need. Probably more."***



Win a KewPie! Show us where you are reading the Gazette & Email pics to:
wordnut66@outlook.com

Science, Tech and Just Plain Cool Stuff

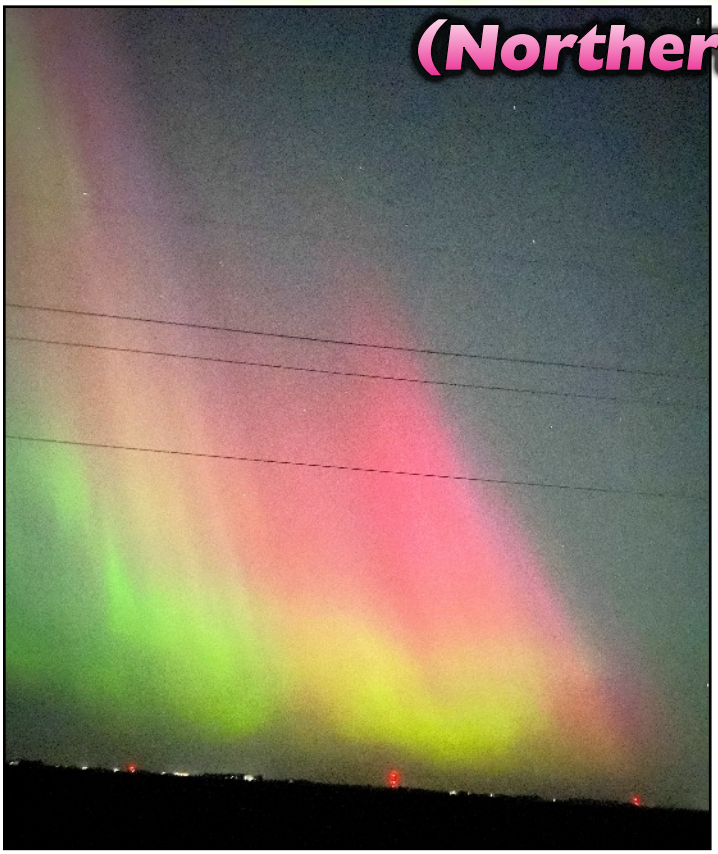


Pic by Roy Snyder

Aurora Borealis

Close to Home!

(Northern Lights)





Pics and commentary by Joyce Karrigan

On Friday night, May 10, I set my alarm for midnight to get up to see the northern lights. The news and weather said that they were supposed to be the most spectacular that we would see in a long time.

So I got up and I drove about 2 miles out of town parked facing north on the gravel road and kept looking north and I wasn't seeing anything. I sat there for quite a while. Finally, I looked on Facebook and I seen that at least two different people in the Cosmos area had posted pictures from around 10 o'clock.

I thought I had missed them, so I was just about ready to leave and go back home, this was right around 1 AM Saturday morning, but then I looked more to the northwest and west and I end up seeing some of the most spectacular northern lights, I have ever seen.

I have probably seen the northern lights before 3 to 4 times in my life, but these were unreal. Some of the northern lights were directly above me. It was a once in a lifetime opportunity that I am so glad that I got to witness.

Tournament Grrls!



Quinn Mackenthun, *left* and **Riley Pint** show off a couple of those 'other fish' they caught during the MN fishing opener on Red Lake.
Pic by Scott Mackenthun

By Mark Minnick

Earlier this spring, I was having a casual conversation with a friend of mine, Scott Mackenthun from New Prague, MN. He mentioned that he was a boat captain for his daughter Quinn and her friend Riley in a virtual bass fishing league. Here's a quick description of what the organization does from their website;

*"In 2020 the **Student Angler Organization** began the **Virtual Fishing League** in association with Lund Boats and Scheels.*

These events utilize apps and other technologies to offer a virtual competitive fishing experience in a family and schedule friendly format throughout the Midwest, covering multiple states.

Participants in these events range from ages 5 through graduated seniors. Teams may consist of two young/student anglers accompanied by an adult boat captain or one young/student angler paired with an adult team mate.

Participation in the Virtual Fishing League events may occur in any body of water of their choosing. There are currently 5 events plus the "Fall Fling" season finale.

Trophies are awarded to the top 5 finishing teams. Prizes are awarded at each event and 100 $50 Scheels gift cards are drawn randomly from the field of participating young/student anglers."

I think this is a pretty neat way to expose kids to fishing and competition, while having fun doing it. Kudos to Scott for getting the girls involved. I plan on reporting on their results in the Gazette as they get me the info, whether good or just meh, from each event. Btw, any secret lures & techniques you are going to use *Grrls?* Asking for a friend. ;)

There are five regular events scheduled for this summer; May 26, June 16, June 30, July 21, August 11 and the Fall Fling, September 8th.

Scott indicated that they plan to fish all of the events and to wish them luck. Go get 'em ***Grrls!***

For more info, you can go to; ***www.studentangler.org***



Nature and the Great Outdoors

Hey, it's nice outside!

Fishing Opener Success



Marshall shows off a nice Mossback.

Pics and commentary by Renville County Outdoors Correspondent, Marshall Haley

Fishing Opener on Lake Minnie Belle was a success, especially for my buddy, as this was maybe his third time fishing in a decade. So, as the Renville County Outdoors Correspondent, I had to get him on the fish and that's exactly what I did. Hopefully he enjoyed it enough to keep fishing.



Marshall's buddy, Brady Rudeen.

Senior Club Meeting

June 26th

Cosmos City Center

Lunch at 11:00 AM*

**Supplied by 'Meals on Wheels'*

Meeting will follow. Nickle Bingo afterwards.

Anyone over 55 is invited to join the Senior Club.

Dues are only $10.00 a year.

Come & Join Us!



MOTORCYCLE CLASS lines up in front of the Cosmos school. Left to right: Instructor James Schoener, Allen Weseloh, Gary Williams and Kevin Menton.

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ONE OF STATE'S FIRST

Cosmos High offers motorcycle education

COSMOS--A pioneering course in motorcycle driver education is currently being offered at Cosmos High School.

The course, taught by James Schoener of the local faculty, is a pilot project since it is the first to be offered in this area, and is among the first in the entire state of Minnesota.

The local school has made the course available because of the large numbers of motorcycles appearing on the streets and highways, and the possible conflicts with automobiles and trucks.

The training is designed specifically for those licensed drivers who desire motorcycle license endorsement and who are under the age of 18. However, any licensed driver over 18 years of age can be given the course, as well.

The course of instruction includes both classroom instruction and on-the-machine training--following guidelines established by the State Department of Education and the Minnesota Department of Public Safety.

Minimum standards include eight hours of classroom work and six hours of on-the-machine instruction.

Three students have completed the course and are now qualified to take the test for motorcycle license: Gary Williams, Kevin Menton, and Allen Weseloh.

The course will be offered again during the first week of August.

Motorcycles for the course have been furnished by Wagner Cycle and the Yamaha company on a free-loan basis.

Vandals hit mail boxes

COSMOS--Vandals are again at work in the Cosmos area--this time destroying mail boxes.

On June 11 most mailboxes from Cosmos south to Hector were battered and destroyed in various ways.

Again on Monday night of this week, another attack was levelled against the boxes in the same area.

Authorities are currently investigating the matter.

Destruction of mail boxes is a federal offense and could result in calling in federal authorities for investigation--even the FBI. Stiff penalties could be handed out to the offenders when caught.

Roy Marks is new pastor of local United Methodists

NORTHFIELD--A new pastor for the Cosmos and Lake Lillian United Methodist churches was announced at the annual Minnesota United Methodist Conference here, last week.

Bishop Paul Washam announced Wednesday night that the Rev. Roy Marks will serve the Cosmos and Lake Lillian charge on a part-time basis beginning on July 1.

Rev. Marks was retired from the full-time ministry at the conference after 38 years of serving Evangelical United Brethren and United Methodist churches in the state of Minnesota.

Rev. and Mrs. Marks will leave their present church, at Buffalo Lake, next week, and move to the home they have purchased at Fayneville. From here he will serve the local churches, preaching every Sunday and devoting part-time to the work of the charge.

Rev. and Mrs. Marks have served the United Methodist church at Buffalo Lake for the past seven years. Previous to that, they served at Middle Creek-Redwood Falls for six years, Maple Grove for six years, Sleepy Eye for six years, Rice Lake church, Rural Wells for five years, Luverne for four years and Norcross for four years.

Rev. Marks is a native of Marshall, Minn. He attended North Central College and received his theological training at Evangelical Theological Seminary, both located at Naperville, Ill.

His wife, Meta, is a native of Blue Earth, Minn. The couple have two daughters, Mrs. Kenneth Schad of Osseo, and Mrs. Jerome Jahnke of North Redwood; and five grandchildren.

Their address in their retirement years will be at 708 Koronis Avenue, Fayneville, Mn. 56362.



REV. AND MRS. ROY MARKS

Don Fett graduates at Mankato State

MANKATO--A local student was graduated by Mankato State College in spring quarter commencement exercises in the Highland Arena Friday, June 9.

He was Donald W. Fett, with a B.A. in political science and history (Magna Cum Laude).

A record total of 1,204 students made up the graduating class. Awarded were 22 associate degrees, 1, 103 bachelor degrees, 78 master degrees and one sixth year specialist degree. State Senator Kelly Gage of Mankato was commencement speaker.



Space Festival tickets out

COSMOS--Tickets for the prizes and the chicken dinner at Cosmos Space Festival were offered to the public for the [illegible] are offered at three for $1.

The other ticket, selling at $1.25, entitles the holder to a chicken dinner, which in- afternoon and evening, are now on sale at many local business places. The tickets are on sale for $1.04 and allow

Milky Way will glitter with stars during the Space Festival



STREET DECORATIONS. Maynerd Rennecke, president of the Cosmos Commercial Club, holds one of the metal stars which will be a part of the street decorations at Christmas and Cosmos Space Festival time.

COSMOS--Milky Way, Cosmos' main thoroughfare will be a much more attractive place during its festive occasions than it has been in the past.

New variable street decorations have recently bee purchased by the Cosmos Commercial Club with the aid of special donations by many of the places of busines in Cosmos. A large number of businesses each purchased dthe decorations for one light pole.

The decorations will get their first viewing here when they are put up just before the annual Cosmos Space Festival.

Main portion of the decoration is a metal star about four feet high. Each star is a different color from the one on the next pole. The metal base of each is perforated with dozens of small holes which let the light from a bulb inside shine through brightly, giving a definite star-like effect.

The stars will be suspended from brackets affixed to the street light poles and will be plugged into new electric outlets which have recently been installed by Bill Klicheh's electric service on each pole.

For the Space Festival, there is a long garland of shiny blue, glittering material which is coiled around the light pole and the bracket. American flags will also be hoisted in the brackets beneath the stars, for the Space Festival giving Cosmos its most colorful Milky Way ever.

At Christmas time, the decorations will take on a different look. The same stars will be installed, but a different garland. The garland will be of green material and will also have colored, lighted balls spaced along its length.

The decorating of the business section has long been a problem which has stumped the Commercial Club. Since light poles are not placed across the street from each other, banners of lights across the street have been very difficult.

To further complicate the matter, the light poles when installed had no provisions for electric outlets. It was believed that a separate wire would have to be run under the sidewalk in order to provide sufficient power for lights.

On-the-pole lights, however, require considerably less power than banner lights, and it was possible to merely tap into the existing lines and install outlets.

The project was spearheaded by Georgia Bateman, who provided the individual inspiration for getting the job underway, and by Maynerd Rennecke, who when he became president in January, took hold of the project and pushed it through.

Alfred Boll on Director's List at Faribault

FARIBAULT--A Cosmos man has been announced on the Director's List for the spring quarter at the Faribault Area Vocational-Technical School.

He is Alfred Boll, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Boll of rural Cosmos.

This list includes the names of those students who earned at least a 3.0 (B) average for that period of 12 weeks.

Boll graduated from the two-year marine and small engines program on June 1. He is now employed by the MacCharles company at Mound.

THIEF CAPTURED

Stolen car drama was worthy of comic strips

COSMOS--A drama worthy of the comic strips unfolded here last week when a stolen car was recovered and the thief captured.

David Tucker, 21, of St. Louis Park, was arrested on the charge of theft of a 1971 Ford belonging to Ivan Wensal of Lake Lillian, Saturday night.

Driving the stolen car, Tucker stopped at Minnick's 66 Service across the street from the spot it had been stolen more than 24 hours before. He inquired at the station what had become of his own car which he had abandoned.

Station attendants notified local authorities, and he was arrested shortly thereafter by Policeman Harold Herrly.

Tucker's car had broken down on him at Cosmos the day previously. He abandoned it and stole the Wensal car parked nearby.

Authorities discovered the abandoned vehicle shortly thereafter, learned the identity of the owner and began a search for him. Meanwhile, the car was brought to the K-F Garage in Cosmos.

Authorities didn't have far or long to look, for Tucker came looking for his own car by himself.

Car recovered

COSMOS--A car purchased at the James Auto Sales at Cosmos by a worthless check, has been recovered by Sheriff John Rogers of Litchfield.

The car was located at Watertown, South Dakota on Wednesday.

2 local men on Dean's List at Augustana

SIOUX FALLS, S.D.--Two students from Cosmos, Minn., were named on the Dean's list of honor students for the spring semester at Augustana College.

The two are Laurel Kaddatz and Lorallen Schmeling, both graduates of Cosmos High School.

In all, 679 of the college's 1730 full time students, or nearly 40%, were included on the list. To be included, students must average a minimum of 3.1 grade points for the semester.



Cosmos News

SUNDAY GUESTS AT THE Wesley Youngblom home were Mrs. Edna Felsing of Napa, California., Mrs. Ellen Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Butch Geier, and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sciescha of Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. Butch Youngblom and family were evening guests.

MR. AND MRS. WAYNE Smith of Hutchinson visited Mr. and Mrs. Doris Carrigan of Alaska at the Herb Maag home on Monday.

MR. AND MRS. ALBERT Jarcho, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Loveland, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Haas of Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Liby of Fairfax and Allen Schmidt family were Sunday guests at the Robert Loveland home to help Mrs. Loveland celebrate a belated birthday.

MR. AND MRS. ERWIN Johnson of Portland, Oregon and Mrs. Clifford Johnson of rural Litchfield were Tuesday supper guests of Mrs. Ruth Holmgren.

MR. AND MRS. ARNOLD Lang and family were Father's Day supper guests at the Henry Lang home at Bird Island.

MR. AND MRS. STAN Locher and family of Owatonna were week-end guests at the Herb Maag home.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT Pearson and family, of St. Louis Park, Mn, and Mrs. Chuck Lundstrom of Mankato and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Porath and girls were Father's Day guests and week-end visitors at the Charles Porath home.

PETER LIETZAU IS spending this week at the Steven Flemming home at Columbia Heights.

FATHERS DAY EVENING guests at the Alfred Inselman Sr. home were Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Farenbaugh and family of Bird Island, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Inselman Jr. and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Inselman.

MR. AND MRS. GERALD Hesser and boys of Davenport, Iowa spent from Wednesday evening till Saturday at the Fred Hesser home.

MR. AND MRS. HJALMER Skoglund Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Hjalmer Skoglund Jr. and Susie of Barum were Sunday guests of Mrs. Martha Zumberge.

ENTERTAINED AT THE Robert Erickson home on Father's Day were Mr. and Mrs. David Hanson and family, Inver Erickson and son Gary, all of Minnetonka and Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Erickson of Lake Minnebelle.

ABOUT 60 RELATIVES and friends from Biscay, Mpls. Buffalo Lake, Hector, Wayzata, Owatonna, Fridley, Minnetonka, and Cosmos were entertained at the Herb Maag home in honor of Doris Carrigans who are here visiting from Anchorage, Alaska.

MR. AND MRS. RAYMOND Reinke, Tim, Tom and Pam of Rock Valley, Iowa, their grandmother, Mrs. Lena Stengel, of Canton, S.D. and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Benson of the Twin Cities were week end guests at the Walter Reinke home.

SATURDAY NOON LUNCHeon guests at the Harry Swanson home were Herb Maags, Doris Carrigans of Anchorage Alaska and Stan Lochers of Owatonna.

MR. AND MRS. JERRAL Sharpe and Stephanie of Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sharpe of Minneapolis and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Boede of Lake Lillian were dinner and supper guests at the Charles Sharpe home on Father's Day.

MR. AND MRS. THEO. L. Carlson of Richmond, Virginia, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barren of Pasedena, Calif. and Nona L. Eberts of Litchfield were Sunday guests at the Charles Larson home.

MR. AND MRS. ELRT Anderson and Rick were Sunday dinner and afternoon guests at the Spud Johnson home in Mpls. They also visited at the Guy Johnston home in Mpls.

MR. AND MRS. MAURICE Turner, Scott and Janet spent the week-end with Ernest Turner at Humboldt, Minn. and other relatives. They were among many relatives Sunday to help Ernest celebrate father's day.

MR. AND MRS. RICHARD Higgin, Beth and Swan Colson and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Colson of East Grand Forks were Sunday dinner and afternoon guests at the George Long home at Osage, Minn.

MRS. PAUL PETERSON and Nicky, Mrs. Curt Thomas and Dean and Mrs. Kenneth Dallman and Davy attended the pitch, hit and throw contest at Fargo, No. Dakota on Saturday.

MR. AND MRS. GARY Martin and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Martin of Osseo, Mr. and Mrs. James Sladek and Troy of Glencoe and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Martin were Father's Day supper guests at the Rueben Martin home.

FATHER'S DAY DINNER guests at the Elmer Arndt home were Mrs. Gary Martin and boys, Mrs. Sophie Reinke and Mark and Tom Dressel of Hutchinson.

MR. AND MRS. LYLE Lietau and daughter of Savage were Saturday guests of Mrs. Catherine Lietau.

MRS. DUNCAN GRIMM and family of Mankato spent last week visiting at the Harold Minnick Jr. home.

MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL Turner arrived home Wednesday from Virginia after living in Alexandria, Virginia a couple years. They spent several days at the Maurice Turner home. They left Saturday for the Welles home at Moorhead. Michael plans to enter law school in the fall. Michael served two years in the army in Virginia.

Fischer together with Mr. and Mrs. Delton Bipes, Charolette and Charlene visited Bradley Bipes at Rice Memorial hospital in Willmar Sunday. Bradley is much improved after kidney surgery.

MRS. ALBERT JORDIN SR. and Mrs. Rhoda Flemming arrived home Sunday after spending a week at the Wallace Mortenson home in Excelsior.

MR. AND MRS. STEVEN Flemming and Andrew of Columbia Heights, Mrs. Rhoda Flemming and Mrs. Albert Jordin Sr. were Sunday afternoon guests at the Charles Lietau home.

MRS. DENNIS EDLING OF Minneapolis is spending several days this week at the Donald Grussendorf home while Dennis is attending insurance training school in Stevens Point, Wisc.

QUITE A FEW PEOPLE from Cosmos attended the Litchfield High School reunion Saturday night.

THREE OLD TIMERS WHO lived in Cosmos about 40 years ago were in town visiting last Wednesday afternoon. They were Mrs. Oscar Lee from Oregon, Mrs. Ed Koenig from Howard Lake and Mrs. Joe Drahos (formerly Mrs. Bill Kessel) from Hutchinson.

ALVERA TOWNSEND WHO teaches at the McCurdy school system in Espanola, New Mexico spent several days last week with Supt. and Mrs. Lynn Townsend.

Donald Grussendorf was hospitalized

COSMOS--Donald Grussendorf was admitted to the Litchfield hospital last Tuesday. Don had a case of pneumonia. He returned home Saturday

Mrs. C. Baasel is hospitalized in Litchfield

COSMOS--Mrs. Christine Baasel was admitted to the Litchfield hospital for observation last Thursday. Mrs. Baasel is Mrs. Robert Berry Sr. mother.

Mrs. Ida Boeder was hospitalized

MRS. IDA BOEDER WAS hospitalized at the Litchfield hospital from Wednesday till Saturday. Mrs. Boeder makes her home at Frank Boeders rural Atwater.



MR. AND MRS. EDWIN JOHNSON

MR. AND MRS. EDWIN JOHNSON HONORED FOR 50 ANNIVERSARY

LITCHFIELD--Mr. and Mrs. Edwin W. Johnson, Rt. 2, Litchfield, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, June 11, at the Cosmos School cafeteria, with 200 relatives and friends in attendance.

The special occasion was hosted by their children, Mr. and Mrs. Donald O. Conad (Faith, Mr. and Mrs. David O. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney D. Johnson, Mr. Neal Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Driver (Beverly).

A program was presented during the afternoon with Sidney Johnson as master of ceremonies. Scott Turner presented special piano music and sang a solo, a duet was sung by Mr. and Mrs. Delphin Johnson, a poem was read by Mrs. Lauita Burris, a memorized poem was given by Mrs. Gertrude Bell, age 93, of Claremont, Florida, and Scripture reading and prayer by Rev. Roger Fromm.

The couples grandsons Jack and Clark Johnson and Kevin and Wade Driver were in charge of guest book and gifts; granddaughters Pamela and Susan Johnson served punch and coffee was served by Mrs. Curt Piepenburg and Mrs. Jack Burris.

Edwin Johnson and Mary Alice Johnson were married on June 21, 1922 at the home of the bride's parents, with Rev. A.L. Richardson officiating.

Guests attended from Portland, Oregon, Claremont, Florida, Havana, N.D., Vandalia and Huntley, Illinois, Duluth, Hoyt Lakes, Minneapolis, Wayzata, Owatonna, Colato, Darwin, Hutchinson, Grove City, Litchfield, Cedar Mills and Cosmos.

It Happened at Thorpe

MR. AND MRS. DOUGLAS Flann and family of Mpls. and Mr. and Mrs. James Davis and family of Hutchinson were week-end visitors at the Nick Faber home.

MR. AND MRS. RICHARD Riedel, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Riedel and family of Hutchinson, Marlyn Mortenson and boys and Mrs. Ardis Haley, Darrel and Darin of North St. Paul attended a picnic at Kandy Beach along with relatives and friends from Atwater, Willmar, Svea, Eagle Lake, Minneapolis, St. Paul and Lake Lillian in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Hanson and Mary Ann of Empire, Ore.

MRS. SALLY ERICKSON and family of Lakeville spent several days this week at the Nick Faber home.

MR. AND MRS. ELMER Munsterman of Comal, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Leachelt and family of Madison, and Dorothea Steinke of Rochester were Sunday guests at the Gerhard Steinke home. Kathy Arndofer of Willmar was a Monday guest.

MR. AND MRS. RON PARK and family and Mona Krosch attended the pitch, hit and throw contest at Fargo, North Dakota on Saturday. Brian Park took part in the contest.

MR. AND MRS. CALVIN Strenge and Terry, Mrs. Tony Renner and Mrs. Albert Olson of Windom were Saturday guests at the Harold Spangler home.

ROBERT FABER ARRIVED home Saturday after serving four months in the army National Guards at Fort Polk, Louisania.

Boy born to James Flemmings

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Flemming at the Hutchinson hospital, Monday, June 19. He weighed 8 lbs. 14 ozs. He joins a brother Tommy.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pederson of Hector and Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Flemming of rural Cosmos.

Social security representative announces schedule

IF YOU CANNOT COME to the district office in St. Cloud call in by phone or see our representative at the following towns on the dates shown.

Litchfield in the Community Building at 1 p.m. on July 5 and 18; August 1, 15 and 29; and Sept. 12 and 26.

Willmar at the Court House Basement (North Door) at 10 a.m. every Thursday.

All correspondence should be sent to the St. Cloud Social Security District Office.



BETH HIGGIN

Beth Higgin engaged to marry Michael Long

COSMOS--Mr. and Mrs. Richard Higgin of Cosmos, Minnesota have announced the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Beth Ann to Michael Joe Long, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Long of Osage, Minnesota.

Beth is a 1971 graduate of Cosmos High School. Mike is a 1970 graduate of Park Rapids High School. Both have attended Moorhead State College.

No definite wedding date has been set.

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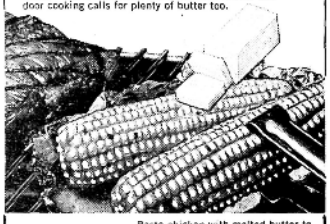

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A major adjunct of Berlin's Free University, the Klinikum has 1,448 beds and can treat some 25,000 in-patients per year, while its clinic has facilities for 65,000 out-patients. There's a fleet of electric cars to shuttle patients and personnel to and from each of the three corridor-linked buildings that house the huge Klinikum complex; and an eight-mile network of high-speed pneumatic tubes serves to transport the medicines and documents that must travel among the center's various and dispersed units.

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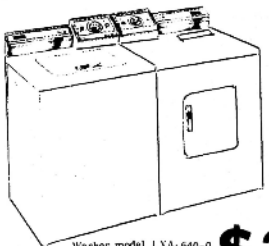

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Cosmos Legion trips Kingston

The Cosmos Legion Baseball team defeated Kingston 7-4. This win gave Cosmos a 2-1 record.

Kingston scored three runs in second inning without a hit. Cosmos committed three costly errors.

Cosmos scored two runs in the third inning with two hits. Larry Raske led off the inning with a single. Tom DeLeeuw then reached first on an error while trying to bunt. Both runners moved up on a passed ball. Larry Raske scored on a sacrifice fly hit by Bruce Ellig and Tom DeLeeuw scored on Jim Raske's single.

In the fourth inning Cosmos scored two runs on one hit. John Raske received a lead-off base-on-balls and stole second base. Larry Raske reached base on a walk. Both runners then staged a double steal. Tom DeLeeuw loaded the bases when he reached base on an infield error. John and Larry Raske scored when Bruce Ellig hit a single.

Kingston scored one run in the fifth inning on one single.

Cosmos scored three final three runs in the sixth inning. Larry Raske and Tom DeLeeuw hit singles and moved up a base on an error. Both runner scored on a double hit by Bruce Ellig. Bruce scored when Jim Raske singled.

Bruce Ellig was the leading hitter for Cosmos with a single and a double. Jim and Larry Raske each had a pair of singles.

Roupsa had the only hit for Kingston.

Cosmos used three pitchers and gave up four runs with one hit. Larry Raske started and gave up four runs on one hit. He struck out five and walked six in the four and two-thirds innings he pitched. None of the runs were earned. Bruce Ellig came into pitch in the fifth inning. He pitched one and two-thirds innings without giving up a hit or a run. He walked three and struck out one. He was the winning pitcher. Al DeLeeuw pitched the last two-thirds of an inning. He struck-out one hitter.

Arens and Broberg combined in the pitching chores for Kingston. They gave up seven runs and nine hits. They struckout five and walked four.

Cosmos	002	203	0
Kingston	003	114	0

Cosmos (7)	AB	R	H	E
DeLeeuw, T.	2	2	1	0
Ellig, B.	3	1	2	1
Raske, Jim	4	0	1	0
Schlueter, R.	3	0	1	0
DeLeeuw, A.	2	0	0	0
Mortenson, R.	4	0	1	2
Eastman, D.	1	0	0	1
Fett, D.	3	0	0	2
Raske, John	2	1	0	0
Wall, T.	0	0	0	0
Raske, L.	3	3	2	0
Totals	28	7	9	6

Kingston (4)				
Anderson, L.	3	0	0	0
Hamilton	3	1	0	1
Roupsa	4	0	1	1
Arens	3	1	0	1
Anderson, J.	4	0	0	0
Myllkangas	2	1	0	0
Weirauch	2	1	0	0
Broberg	1	0	0	0
Ranta	3	0	0	½
Imelman	1	0	0	0
Totals	26	4	1	3

Cosmos American Legion team fall to Litchfield

Litchfield defeated the Cosmos Legion baseball team 18-6. This loss gave Cosmos a 2-2 record.

This was a wild game filled with errors. Cosmos had nine errors an Litchfield had five.

Litchfield scored a run in the first inning without a hit. The run scored as a result of errors.

In the bottom half of the first inning Cosmos scored two runs on two hits. Tom DeLeeuw hit a lead off double to right field. Randy Schlueter hit a homerun over the right field fence to bring in two runs.

In the second inning Litchfield scored six runs with only one hit.

Litchfield picked up two more runs in the third inning on a walk and a homerun.

Cosmos scored two runs in the third inning without a hit. Jim Raske got on base with a walk and later scored on an error. Randy Schlueter reached first base on an error and scored on an error.

Three runs crossed the plate for Litchfield in the fourth inning. They hit a double and a home run.

Bruce Ellig led off the fifth inning for Cosmos and hit a home run. Al DeLeeuw scored later as a result of errors.

Litchfield had a big sixth inning where they scored five runs with four singles and a home run.

Litchfield scored they're final run in the seventh inning with a bases empty home run.

Cosmos had five hits for the game. They were hit by five different players. Bruce Schlueter and Randy Schlueter hit home runs.

Klaos had a great game at the plate for Litchfield. He had a single, double, and a home run. Litchfield hit four home runs in the game.

Larry Raske was the starting pitcher for Cosmos. He pitched one an two-thirds innings and gave up six runs and one hit. He struck out two and walked two. Al DeLeeuw came on in relief and pitched five and one-third innings. He gave up twelve runs and ten hits. He struck out six and walked four.

Shoutz and Pennertz pitched for Litchfield. They gave up six runs and five hits. They struck out eight and walked seven.

Cosmos	202	020	0
Litchfield	162	305	1

COSMOS (6)	AB	R	H	E
DeLeeuw, T.	2	1	1	3
Raske, Jim	2	1	0	0
Schlueter, R.	4	2	1	1
Ellig, B.	4	1	1	1
Raske, C.	2	0	0	2
Mortenson, K.	1	0	0	0
DeLeeuw, A.	4	1	1	0
Mortenson, R.	3	0	0	0
Raske, John	1	0	0	0
Fett, D.	2	0	1	2
Raske, L.	1	0	0	0
Dvorak, M.	1	0	0	0
Totals	27	6	5	9

Litchfield (18)				
Shoutz	5	2	1	0
Pennertz	4	2	1	0
Weida	3	3	2	0
Kruger	4	2	0	2
Schrootberger	5	1	1	0
Ross	5	1	2	0
Wallmow	4	2	1	1
Schadmeiers	3	2	0	2
Klaos	4	3	3	0
Totals	37	18	11	5

Cosmos Girls down 3M

The Cosmos girls softball team won their opening game by defeating 3 M 12-3.

The Cosmos girls pulled ahead to a two run lead in the first inning. They scored five runs in the third inning, six in the fourth and four in the fifth.

3 M was held scorless the first two innings. They scored a run in the third inning and two in the fourth.

Diane Minnick was the leading hitter for Cosmos with two home runs. Mary Peterson and Judy Retzlaff each hit a home run also.

Judy Retzlaff was the winning pitcher.

Standings

TEAM	W	L
Wendorff Ins.	2	0
Cosmos	1	0
Brownton (Julies)	1	0
Litchfield	1	1
Cedar Mills 3D's	1	1
Brownton Inn	0	2
3M	0	2

ROUND II
June 14 and 15
Litchfield 9 - W. Ins. 20
Brownton (Julies) Bye
3M 3 - Cosmos 17
Brownton Inn 0 3D's 18

Brownton Women's softball league announces schedule

BROWNTON--Schedule for the remainder of the season for the Brownton Women's Softball League was announced this week.

JUNE 21: Cosmos vs. Acoma at Cosmos. 3 D's of Cedar Mills vs. Brownton (Julie's) at Litchfield.
JUNE 22: Brownton Inn vs. Litchfield at Brownton.
JUNE 26: 3-D's of Cedar Mills vs. 3M, Hutchinson at Cosmos. Litchfield vs. Brownton (Julie's) at Litchfield. JUNE 29: Brownton Inn vs. Cosmos at Brownton.
JULY 5: Acoma vs. Brownton Inn at Cosmos. Litchfield vs. Cosmos at Litchfield. JULY 6: Brownton (Julie's) vs. 3M, Hutchinson at Brownton.
JULY 12: Acoma vs. 3-D's of Cedar Mills at Litchfield, Cosmos vs. Brownton (Julie's) at Cosmos. JULY 13: 3M-Hutchinson vs. Litchfield at Brownton.
JULY 19: 3M-Hutchinson vs. Brownton Inn at Litchfield. Cosmos vs. 3-D's Cedar Mills at Cosmos. JULY 20: Brownton (Julie's) vs. Acoma at Brownton.
End of season tournament will be played July 26, 28, 29 and 30 at Brownton.
All scheduled games begin at 7 p.m.



EXPLORERS on the Crow River, recently, were these three: Dave Fett, Stanet Haagenson and Wendy Haagenson. They traveled by canoe down the Crow River for 15 miles from Cosmos to Cedar Mills. This trip, often extremely difficult, was made possible this year by water level being higher than usual. They found the river wide and quite rapid in places. They had to lie down in the canoe in some places to go under some little bridges. In places the river was very overgrown with trees, so they seemed to have been transported to some strange, faraway place. Then the scenery would change rapidly to open, flat land. They saw a deer, several pelicans, many ducks and a big turtle. They left Cosmos at 11 a.m. and got to Cedar Mills at 3:15 p.m. Dave and Wendy had practiced for their trip by canoeing from Willmar to Dave's home in rural Lake Lillian the previous day. Above, the trio is seen exploring one of the small streams which flows into the Crow.

Haggenmillers leads softball league

Schlueters 10 Lakeside 9

Schlueter's Refrigeration pulled out a close game by defeating Lakeside 10-9. Schlueter's Refrigeration scored six runs in the second inning and four in the sixth inning. Allen Duesterhoeft was the winning pitcher for Schlueter's Refrigeration.

Lakeside scored all nine runs in the sixth inning. They had nine hits for the game. Rodney Kurth was the losing pitcher for Lakeside.

Haggenmillers 11 Corvuso 8

Haggenmillers defeated Corvuso 11-8. Haggenmillers scored three runs in the second inning, four in the third, two in the fifth, one in the sixth, and one in the seventh. They finished the game with seven hits.

Corvuso scored a run in the first inning, three in the fourth, three in the sixth, and one in the seventh. They had seven hits at the end of the game.

Town Men 14 Country Boys 13

The Town men edges the Country Boys 14-13 in a game that was decided in the seventh inning. The game was tied in the seventh inning when Arnie Blum hit a double to score Dave Martin and give the Town Men the victory. The Town Men scored three runs in the first inning, eight in the second, two in the second and one in the seventh. Rueben Martin was the winning pitcher.

The Country Boys scored six runs in the first inning, one in the second, two in the third, three in the fifth and one in the sixth. They had fourteen hits. Doug Fett was the leading hitter with four-teen hits. Gary Martin was the losing pitcher.

Cedar Mills 12 Country Boys 10

Cedar Mills defeated the Country Boys 12-10 in eight innings. The biggest inning for Cedar Mills was the third where they scored five runs. They had fourteen hits for the game. Bruce Schlueter was the winning pitcher.

The Country Boys scored in every inning but the fourth and eight. They had fifteen hits. Tony Martin was the losing pitcher.

Town Men 33 Iron Workers 5

The Town Men trounced the Iron Workers 33-5. The Town Men scored in every inning. They had a big four-th inning where they scored fourteen runs. Dave Martin hit a home run for the town men. Rueben Martin was the winning pitcher.

The Iron Workers didn't score more than one run in any inning. Dana Haagenson hit a home run for the Iron Workers. Curt Thomas was the losing pitcher.

Softball standings

Team	W	L
Haggenmillers	3	0
Crusaders	2	0
Town Men	2	1
Schlueter's Refrig.	2	1
Cedar Mills	2	1
Country Boys	1	2
Lakeside	1	2
Corvuso	1	2
Union 76	0	2
Iron Workers	0	3

Willmar to host touring antique cars

WILLMAR--Tuesday, June 27, approximately 30 exquisite antique cars will stop in Willmar during there lunch hour.

They will be placed on view by their owners at the Willmar Air Port during the lunch hour for the benefit of Bethel Girl Scout Troop #516 who are raising funds to support their various community programs.

Cadillac, Rolls Royce, Overland, Stevens Duryea, Packard, Simplex, Mitchell, Buick, Ford, Fiat, Locomobile, Hupmobile, Charlmer, White, Pratt, Peerless, Hudson, Lozier, Carter Car, Marmon, Napier, Pierce Arrow, EMF, Knox, Mercedes, National are just some of the great cars among them. In each case they will be older than 1915.

All the cars began their journey in Montreal and are competing in a tour which ends July 17 in Tijuana, Mexico. A contribution of $1.00

Meeker County Last Man's Club elects officers

LITCHFIELD--Officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Meeker County Last Men's Club, held at the American Legion Building at Litchfield Wednesday evening.

Elected were Peter Poss of Litchfield, president; Fred Becker of Watkins, vice president; Frank J. Coleman of Eden Valley was re-elected secretary; Norbert H. Ley, Watkins was re-elected treasurer; Harry Swanson of Cosmos chaplain and Emil Aspas of Willmar publicity officer.

Patrick J. Campbell of Litchfield, president, presided at the business session held after the dinner.

It was decided to send every member of the organization a complete roster of the living members. The future of the group will be decided when there are only 11 living members.

Women bowlers prize winners

MINNEAPOLIS--Several teams and individuals from the Cosmos-Lake Lillian area placed in the money at the Minnesota Women's Bowling Association meet, according to the 1972 prize list just published.

Listed below are events, placings, scores and prize money:

CLASS A TEAMS: (59) Schiro's Shoes, 2696, $50.

CLASS B TEAMS: (193) Lake Lillian Elevator, 2318, $28.

DOUBLES: (620) S. Haagenson-J. Mortenson, 1089, $14. (735) Catherine Hetzau-B. Geier, 1082, $12. A. Mortenson-H. Carlson, 1076, $10.

ALL-EVENTS: (256) S. Haagenson, 1697, $7. (406) M. Linder, 1676, $4.

SINGLES: (134) S. Haagenson, 617, $26. (151) A. Mortenson, 614, $25. (500) C. Hetzau, 585, $12. (735) B. Hopman, 575, $9. (868) J. Braisch, 569, $9. (1268) E. Erickson, 558, $7. (1317) D. Raske, 557, $7. (1750) M. Linder, 548, $5.

Thursday, June 22, 1972

Brookfield

Intended for last week.

STEVEN SQUIBB, A son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Squibb of Stewart is a surgical patient at the Renville County Hospital in Olivia.

GERALDINE FREBERG OF Waseca and Alan Freberg of New Orleans, Louisiana, is spending the week at the home of their parents, the Robert Frebergs.

FRIDAY GUESTS AT THE John Squibb home were Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Greenslit and sons of Franklin.

MR. AND MRS. FRANK Clancy were Sunday dinner guests at the Carl Hamblin home in Clencoe and later the group attended the 10th wedding anniversary party honoring Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Hamblin of Arlington at Green Isle.

MR. AND MRS. FRANCIS Zanoth and Kevin of Spring-field were Thursday guests at the Ernie Zanoth home.

JACK AND JANET JONES and family moved from their home north of Hector to Bird Island during the past week.

MRS. NICK SCHOLLA entertained a group of neigh-bors at a party on Thursday afternoon.

MR. AND MRS. GLEN Wirtman and family of Minneapolis were week end guests at the Elmer Wirtman home.

MR. AND MRS. ROGER Swanson and Mrs. Anna Schaumburg were Sunday evening guests at the Ernie Zanoth home.

MRS. ANN TRACY OF Sioux City, Iowa and Mrs. Paul Clancy of St. Cloud were Wednesday dinner guests at the Frank Clancy home.

SALLY JANE AND FAITH Lofgren of Spicer returned to the home of their parents, Thursday evening to spend the night. Friday, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Lofgren, David and Faith accompanied Sally to Mankato to attend the graduation party for the class of 1972. Sally Jane was a member of this class. She graduated Cum Laude with a degree in Home Economics education and has accepted a position to teach Home Economics at Cottonwood, Minn. Sally Jane and Faith returned to Spicer late Friday night as they were responsible for preparing breakfast for the campers at Green Lake Bible camp, Saturday morning.

Nancy Petersen graduates from Willmar VTI

WILLMAR--Nancy Peter-sen of Cosmos graduated from th.: Willmar Area Vo-cational-Technical Institute on Thursday, May 25.

Nancy completed the Clerical III course.

Robert Madsen, director of program operations, State Division of Vocational Educa-tion, delivered the commence-ment address to 490 gradua-ting students.

Canoe races slated at Watercade

LITCHFIELD--The water activities committee of the Litchfield Watercade, has announced that there will be two days of canoe races during this year's Watercade, on July 8 and 9.

On Saturday, July 8, there will be two classes of amatuer races on the Crow River. The races will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday morning and will be approximately 14 miles long. Classes will be as follows: Amateur for those between the ages of 15 and 17; and amatuer for those 18 and over.

For the second day of racing on Sunday, July 9, there will be two classes of racing on Lake Ripley at Litchfield. Racing classes will be the same as above except that the age limit has been lowered to include youngsters 11 through 17 inclusive. Racing will begin Sunday at 4 p.m. after the parade.

As a special event there will also be a bathtub race on Sunday afternoon.

Trophies will be awarded to the first three placers in each event. In addition special patches will be given to all participants who finish the race. Entry fees of $1.00 per person will be charged.

Entry forms and the rules for the races may be obtained by contacting the Litchfield Chamber of Commerce office or by con-tacting William Huhner or Jarvis Brown, both of Litchfield.

Entry forms are being accepted now.



A CHECK for $50 was presented by Eilert Flemming, right, from the Cosmos Lions Club for Christmas lights. Receiving the check for the Cosmos Commercial Club was Maynard Rennecke, President.

Higher state taxes far out-balance property tax outs

THE MINNESOTA Taxpayers Association this week distributed to its members a 12-page statewide and 87-county com-parison of property taxes payable this year and last.

"Purpose of the comparison was to measure the actual impact of the property tax relief program enacted in 1971," Charles P. Stone, Executive Director of the MTA, said.

The figures, compiled by the Department of Taxation from county auditors' abstracts, reveal substantial inequality at between counties in the percentage of property tax reduction from 1971 to 1972.

The statewide average re-duction was only 8.0 percent. In 68 counties the reduction exceeded the statewide aver-age. In 17 counties the reduction was less than 8.0 percent. Two counties re-corded an actual increase in levies.

The tax levy changes from 1971 to 1972 ranged from a decrease of 24.6 percent in Beltrami county to an increase of 2.5 percent in Blue Earth county. In Hennepin and Ramsey counties the reductions were 4.6 percent and 3.6 percent, respectively.

In Meeker county the total of property taxes payable this year is $3,798,792 down 19.1 percent from last year's total of $4,692,923. The 1972 levy includes $1,207,-433 for county purposes, $359,579 for cities and villages, $183,145 for town-ships and $183,145 for school districts.

In Kandiyohi county the total of property taxes payable this year is $5,952,-084 down 19.1 percent from last year's total of $7,357,-240. The 1972 levy includes $1,856,004 for county pur-poses, $813,794 for cities and villages, $203,019 for townships, $3,078,761 for school districts, and $503 for special taxing districts.

Statewide, property taxes payable this year total $957,373,963, down $83,323,657 from the 1971 total.

"To finance the property tax relief, shared taxes and other aids to local government, and all other state expenditures, a number of tax increases were imposed in 1971," Stone said. "In-cluded were substantial increases in states income taxes on individuals and corporations, in the state sales tax, liquor, beer and cigarette taxes, the bank excise tax, and ore mining taxes. These increases were estimated to produce $581,750,000 during the current biennium.

"The property tax comparison MTA has sent to its members draws no conclusions from the rather startling inequalities in the property tax levy reductions as between the 87 counties, and does not attempt to equate this year's $83,000,-000 property tax reduction with the nearly $600,000,-000 in tax increases which the State will collect this biennium.

"Past experience indicates that the modest property tax reductions experienced this year may well be dis-sipated, in 1973 and later years, by increased spending at the local levels of govern-ment.

"The only real tax relief in property taxes or other taxes that Minnesotans can hope for is that which could be brought about by a willing-ness on the part of those who govern the State, counties, cities, villages, townships and school districts to live within the people's ability to pay."

"Some people work their way to the top of the ladder, only to find it is up against the wrong wall."—William R. Lewis, The Lynden (Wash.) Tribune.



Auxiliary elects its new officers

COSMOS--New officers for the 1972-73 year, begin-ning in September, were elected by the Cosmos Ameri-can Legion Auxiliary at its June meeting, last week.

Serving as president next year will be Mrs. Gerald Olsen. Mrs. Art Adams will be first vice president; Mrs George Kuddatz, second vice president; Mrs. Willard Arndt, treasurer; Mrs. Herman Ander-son, chaplain; and Mrs. Richard Mortenson, sergeant-at-arms.

Mrs. Clarence Geier Sr., and Mrs. Milan Retzlaff re-ported attending the district convention at Montevideo, June 3. Mrs. Herschel Swig-art, who is a gold star mother, also attended the event.

Rocket club stages a demonstration

COSMOS Rocket Club held a demonstration shoot on Tuesday evening at the school grounds.

This shoot was sponsored by Sportsmen's Inn, local Estes rocket dealer. An im-pressive array of rockets was shown. Many prospective members were present, in-cluding eight members of the Civil Air Patrol in Litchfield, who are going to join the Cosmos club.

There will be another demonstration at 7 p.m., July 20.

There is still time to build a rocket and enter the second annual rocket meet. Sports-men's Inn has a good selection of Estes rockets.

Austin VTI has openings

AUSTIN Area Vocational-Technical Institute has class openings in the following classes, beginning in June:

Agricultural Chemicals & Seed Technology, 12 months. Cosmetology, 1500 hours. Data Processing, 11 months. Drafting & Design Technology, nine months. Electronics, 18 months. Farm Equipment Mechanics, 18 months.

Industrial Hydraulics & Pneumatics (fluid power), nine months. Machine Shop, 18 months. Partsman Train-ing, 11 months. Printing Offset, 11 months. Secretar-ial, 11 months. Telecasting & Broadcast Technology, Announcer Technician 11 months. Engineering Technic-ian 18 months.

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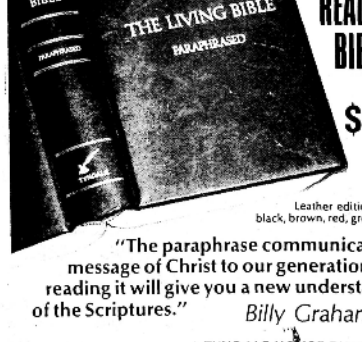

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See you next month, same Bat time, same Bat channel!

Please remember the men and women serving in the United States Armed Forces and our veterans, both alive and deceased. America owes them an immense debt of gratitude along with an every day simple "Thank you".





Wife deb and I attended the **Legion Club Memorial Day Service** at the Cosmos City Center. The place was packed with people, a great turnout. I was really looking forward to the service near the Vet's Memorial in the city park, but alas, the club feared rain showers. Getting wet is no fun for sure. Regardless, the service reminded all of us attendees to reflect and remember.

Number One Son Tyler nabbed a nice mossback on opener. Being a proud dad, I have to show off a pic of the fish and kid, right?

A nice, fat 18" female, released of course.





I figured I better include a pic of a fish that I caught myself for once. Not to show off, just to prove that old, fat newsletter editors can actually catch something other than Covid.

Nyuk, Nyuk, Nyuk!

Here's one from opener

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Flag Day

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How to Display The American Flag

The U.S. flag stands for our nation and the shared history, pride, principles, and commitment of its people. When we properly display this powerful symbol, we signal our respect for everything it represents.

A. The flag shouldn't be flown in inclement weather unless it's an all-weather flag.
B. Flags displayed at night should be properly illuminated.
C. In a time of national mourning, hang the flag at half-mast.
D. The flag can be flown every day, but it is often flown to show patriotism on these observances:

- New Year's Day
- Inauguration Day
- Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday
- Lincoln's Birthday
- Washington's Birthday *(Presidents Day)*
- National Vietnam War Veterans Day
- Easter Sunday
- Armed Forces Day
- Memorial Day
- Flag Day
- Independence Day
- National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day
- Labor Day
- Constitution Day
- Columbus Day
- Navy Day
- Veterans Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day

When Displaying The Flag

- From your porch; Place the union (blue section) at the peak of the staff.
- Against a wall or on a window; Place the union (blue section) at the top left corner.
- On your vehicle; Clamp the staff to the right front fender.
- With another flag; Place the U.S. flag to your left when crossed.
- Keep your flag completely dry and folded properly, into a triangle, with the union *(blue section)* visible, before storing it in a well-ventilated area.
- If the flag is damaged or worn out, it should be disposed of with dignity.
- The flag should not touch anything below it or rest on the ground.

The next meeting is:

June 11th, 7 PM

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