The Cosmos Space Festival Issue

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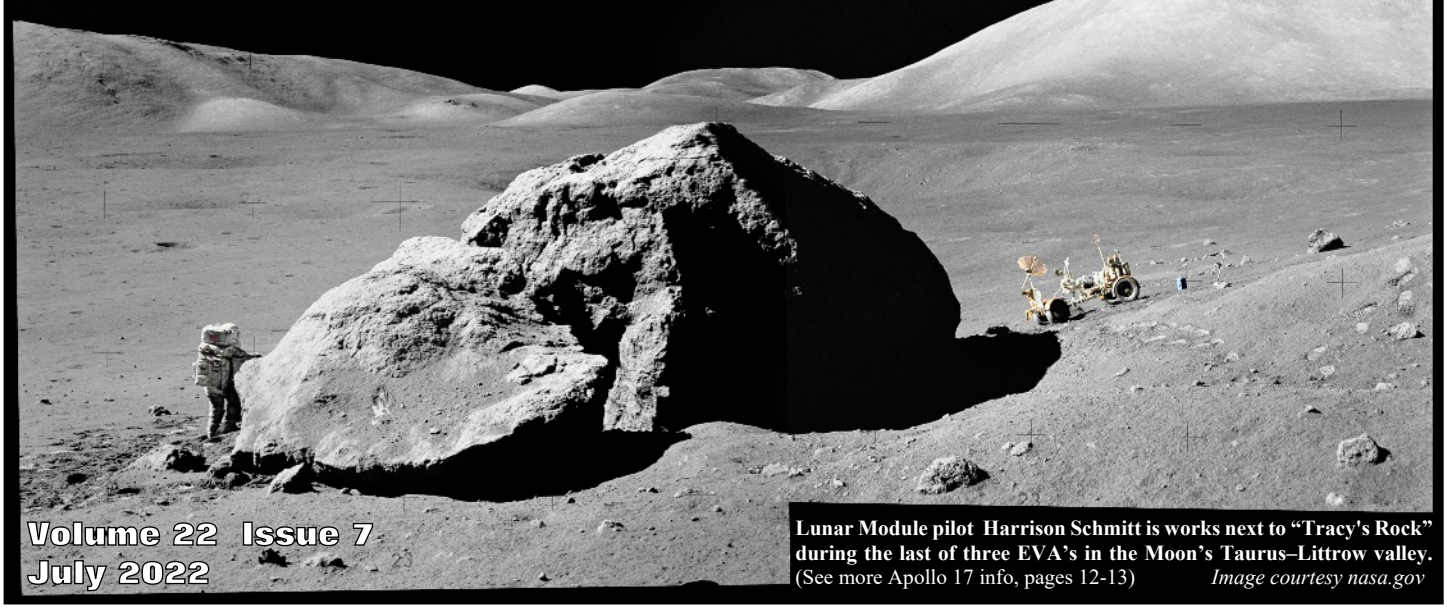
July 1972 - "The Last Moonshot" - Apollo 17



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Lunar Module pilot Harrison Schmitt is works next to "Tracy's Rock" during the last of three EVA's in the Moon's Taurus–Littrow valley. (See more Apollo 17 info, pages 12-13) *Image courtesy nasa.gov*

Weather: Open up the door! It's Dave! "All of the news you really need. Probably more" "Noli credere omnia legis"



By Mark Minnick

Here we go again. It seems the Minnesota hot weather and humidity has arrived just in time for the Cosmos Space Festival. (See right.) It might slow down the fun for an old geezer like me, but it won't stop the fun. "Bring it on" I say.

It looks like the hard working Space Festival committee has put together a great weekend of activities, again. Mini-Rods, softball, raffles, food, music, a parade and more-it's all here. If you can't have fun on a weekend like this, you gotta try harder.

I decided to highlight the Apollo 17 mission for this year's Space Fest issue, as it was the *last* time man walked on the moon. While doing the research, I discovered some amazing photos and learned of numerous scientific accomplishments by the astronauts. The "Science, Tech and Just Plain Cool Stuff" column, (pg. 12-13) has more pics and a mission overview for you to take a look at. I've also inserted a few Apollo 17 images that I thought were interesting here and there in the Gazette. I hope you enjoy the subject matter.

Even though they are not famous astronauts that have been to the moon, the Space Festival committee is *just* about as important. All of the work they put in makes this town celebration a reality. More thanks go out to all of the organizations, businesses and individuals that also contribute. A local 'moonshot' if you will.

Everyone's efforts make for a pretty cool weekend…unless it's 100 degrees. (See right, again.) Then the coolness factor fades *(or melts?)* just a bit. *(I guess if I poop out, I can always sneak/wheel home to the air conditioning for a bit.)*

Anyway, I'll try to wheel around on my 'save the planet' electric vehicle to as many Space Fest venues as I can. It'll probably be a place with either music, food or cold barley pop. It'll be tough, but I'll give it 'the old college try'. *(I only went for one year, so wish me luck.)*



Pic by Mark Minnick

It Was Just a Little Blob on the Radar…



Cosmos City Park *(that'll buff right out.)*

By Mark Minnick

Monday June 20th was quite warm and sticky. "Summer's is here" I thought, sitting in the driveway, tunes on and sipping a Hamm's. I then rolled back into the air conditioning, had a little supper, worked on the Gazette and crawled into bed. I watched a little TV, then proceeded to doze off, wanting to get up early in the morning to continue Gazette work.

Later, I was awakened as my CPAP quit running. "Electricity went out" Deb said as she brought me a flashlight, then headed towards the basement. As far as myself, I can't get down the steps with my unhealed leg. Sucks to be me, I guess. I would just have to ride the storm out *(An old football helmet would've been smart)* and fall with the house on some wicked witch. As long as I could get her ruby Crocs, I'd be cool with it. Just hope her sister doesn't look me up.

Anyway, the wind and rain were starting to pick up as I glanced out the window. I grabbed my phone and brought up some weather radar. I could see a small yellow & orange blob of a cell just to the west of town. There weren't any hook echoes that I could see. That can indicate a tornado or two, which we don't need. Now the wind really started roaring, and I could hear a few hailstones hitting the siding. "Oh man" I thought and hunkered down, waiting for more.

The high, roaring winds kept up for a short while, then the whole commotion just quit. Everything went quiet, with some light rain here and there. I looked at the radar again, seeing that the blob had passed on to the east, with nothing coming in behind it. I jumped, well ok, hobbled back into bed and went to sleep, sans CPAP.

It was quite the sight to see in the morning as I noticed a few medium sized branches down on the ground with zillions of leaves and small branches everywhere. I couldn't see that any buildings had been damaged, but it was early yet. Upon further investigation, I noticed more serious damage around town as you can see by the photos.

I was reminded that it was in 2011 that we were hit with a massive storm just before the 4th of July too. There were very high velocity, straight line winds (probably a Derecho?) that resulted in the town being without power for five days. Trees and branches down everywhere with many streets impassable. It was a mess. Don't want to see one of those again.

It was nice to watch neighbor helping neighbor clean and tidy up their yards and streets. As far as I'm aware, nobody was hurt or injured in the storm (or from cleaning up), which is just great. Maybe a few of sore muscles, but that's ok.



City Ball Park



Esther Bluhm yard



Kenny & Glory Anderson backyard



Brandon & Suzanne Nelson yard



Shirley Reinert yard



Former Nursing Home

TIDBITS



Greetings. Hope you have made it through the stormy weather OK. Many places have not.

If you like Johnny Cash songs, please put July 6th on your calendar when Jay Ernest, lead singer of Church of Cash, will be performing from 6:30-8:00 at Kandi Park East. I have heard him a few times and if you close your eyes, you are listening to Johnny Cash. The park with have food and beverages available for purchase at this event sponsored by the Lake Lillian C&c.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Duane Lindgren who passed away this past month. Duane was a co-owner of First State Bank when hired me to work at First State Agency in April 1986, about year after I quit farming. The same week I started working at the agency, my son Joe was born and Dad had a major stroke. (Moments in time!) Thank you Duane for being a friend and providing an opportunity to stay in the Lake Lillian Community. I looked up on google the definition of opportunity and it says a time when a particular situation makes it possible to do or achieve something. Thanks again Duane!

Irving Berlin & the Fourth Of July

by Rick Nordine

On July 4th we celebrate the signing of our Declaration of Independence. A song that always comes to my mind is God Bless America. Here is the history of that song.

Irving Berlin was a Russian-born Jew whose family immigrated to America when he was five. The family fled Russia after their house was burned down in a pogrom (an organized attempt to destroy a particular ethnic group – usually Jewish people). Irving's parents and their eight children settled in New York and struggled to make ends meet.

At age eight, Irving took to the streets to sell newspapers and found that if he sang while selling the papers, people would sometimes toss him coins. By the time he was an early teen, Irving left home and attempted to make a living as an itinerant singer.

To survive, Irving knew he had to learn what songs appealed most to his audience. His understanding in this regard is said to have led to his eventual fame. While working as a singing waiter in New York's Chinatown, Irving taught himself how to play the piano.

His first attempt at songwriting was titled "Marie from Sunny Italy (1907)," for which he was paid 37 cents. Irving continued writing and by 1911, he published his first world-famous song, "Alexander's Ragtime Band" — the song that set off an international craze for ragtime music! *(Editors note; see below)*

In 1917, during WWI, Irving was drafted into the United States Army. Already famous for his music, Irving was asked to help increase troop morale by writing patriotic music. He composed an all-soldier comedy musical titled "Yip, Yip, Yaphank." It was for this production that Berlin wrote "God Bless America," but in the end, he decided it was too solemn for a comedy. He put the song aside and did not pull it out again for 20 years!


Irving Berlin, in 1911, age 23

It was in the fall of 1938, when events in Europe showed signs of leading to another world war, that Irving set out to write a peace song. Remembering his previous work, Irving decided to revise "God Bless America." In the midst of reworking the piece, the popular singer Kate Smith asked Irving for a patriotic song to perform for Armistice Day (the day celebrating the end of WWI).

During the course of his life, Irving published over 1,000 songs. Not only did he write for Broadway and Hollywood, he created songs for political causes (like presidential campaigns) and for lifting American spirits during crises like WWI, WWII, and the Great Depression. Some of Irving's most famous songs are "White Christmas," "Easter Parade," and "There's No Business like Show Business," but arguably, his most beloved creation is "God Bless America." Have a great 4th of July.

Editorial comment by Mark Minnick;

I went searching for a pic of Irving Berlin in Wikipedia to go with Rick's excellent article, above. While there, I stumbled across this very interesting excerpt from an early 1900's German newspaper;

> **Ragtime....a Form of Insanity**
>
> 'Alexander's Ragtime Band' is a public menace....Hysteria is the form of insanity that an abnormal love for ragtime seems to produce. It is as much a mental disease as acute mania–it has the same symptoms. When there is nothing done to check this form, it produces idiocy.
>
> *–Dr. Ludwig Gruener*

It reminds me of 'old fogies' grumbling about Rock 'n' Roll in the 50's and 60's. Then I recalled a Dec '18 Gazette article I wrote about Elvis' 1957 version of Berlin's 'White Christmas'. His rendition raised quite the ruckus…oh my! To the left are a couple of highlights from that article.

***Dick Higgin,** the Cosmos News editor at the time, was appalled that Elvis would sing Berlin's sacred tune while simultaneously gyrating his hips…oh, Lord! Quote, *"Elvis is the marijuana of tin-pan alley, the scourge of genuine music-lovers & the utter despair of intelligent Americans everywhere."* Hmmm, sounds familiar. See left.

***Berlin** himself saw Elvis' version of 'White Christmas' as a "*Profane parody of his cherished yuletide standard"* and thought it should be banned from radio airplay. Again, sounds familiar. See left…again.

***Just like** new hairstyles, new bell-bottoms and new go-go boots - New music is usually loved by the young and loathed by the old. Those young kids proceed to become old geezers, still clinging to their beloved culture and music. Eventually, new stuff shows up again; hairstyles, bell-bottoms, go-go boots, music…and loathing. Wash, rinse, repeat. Funny stuff.*

**Btw, I still like Led Zep, despite 60's radio bans. Go-go boots? Meh. Hippies? Get a job and a hair cut…Hey, there may be a new tune there.*

Happy Fourth of July!

See you at the Cosmos Space Festival!



Kids -Space Fest- Pedal Tractor Pull
Sunday 11 AM-by the Fire Hall

The Cosmos Lions

"We Serve"

Remember, we are always looking for new gals or guys to become members & join us.
Feel free to talk to any Lions member or email; cosmoslions@mac.com
Our "Big Green" Labor Day Raffle tickets will be here soon! Ask your favorite Lions member.

MINUTES
CITY OF COSMOS
REGULAR MEETING
June 9, 2022

A regular meeting of the Cosmos City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas McCarthy at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday June 9, 2022.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Council Members Emily Van Hatten and Angelica Hopp.

COUNCIL ABSENT: Jody Fruetel and Katie Hansen

ALSO PRESENT: John Douville, Sarah Miller, Josh Halvorson Deputy Sheriff Sarah Miller and David Medina

Adopt Agenda – A motion by Hopp, seconded by Van Hatten, to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.

Adopt Consent Agenda – A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Hopp, to adopt the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

a. May 12, 2022 City Council Minutes
b. Meeker County Sheriff – May 2022 Report
c. Delinquent Utility Bills List
d. Cosmos Ballpark Liquor License – On Sale
e. Firemen's SpaceFest Liquor License – Temporary On Sale 4 Day
f. Lions Temporary On-Sale – Labor Day Weekend Tournament
g. Lions Raffle – Labor Day Weekend

Visitors Presentations, Petitions and Correspondence

Utility Bill – Janelle Wilson and Darwin Blom Jr. were present to discuss their corrected utility bill. They were on the understanding that they would only have to pay a minimum fee. The council reviewed the situation and felt that using the previous average usage as a basis was fair. No action was taken.

City Engineer – Josh Halvorson, Bolton-Menk was present to discuss the pay request No. 4 of $412,999.91 and update the Council on the project. **A motion** by Van Hatten, seconded by Hopp, to approve payment No. 4 for $412.999.91. Motion carried**.**

June 9, 2022 Bills List - A motion by Hopp, seconded by Van Hatten, to approve the June 9, 2022 bills list with check numbers from 15543-15596 for $50,784.51. Motion carried**.**

2021 Financial Audit – Sarah Oberloh, CPA of Oberloh & Oberloh, presented the 2021 City of Cosmos Financial Audit. The City is in a strong financial position and adheres to the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) of financial reporting. **A motion** by Hopp, seconded by Van Hatten, to approve the 2021 City of Cosmos Financial Audit. Motion carried**.**

West Central Sanitation – Don Williams, owner of West Central Sanitation was present to discuss higher costs of doing service. Solid waste rates haven't increased since 2007. 2017 rates were raised for recycling. After reviewing his areas of cost increases, he requested at 19% increase in rates. Ask if this increase would be good for awhile, Mr. Williams noted that he's only ask for an increase twice in the last 15 years but he also is seeing unprecedented cost increase and difficulty in getting equipment.

A motion by Hopp, seconded by Van Hatten, to approve a 19% increase in solid waste fees beginning July 1, 2022. Motion carried**.**

Civil Defense Siren – the civil defense siren has not been operational since a subcontractor cut the telephone line last fall. West Central Communications submitted a proposal to install a radio controlled system to operate the siren as digging a new telephone line would be prohibitive. The city will request the utility contractor to reimburse the cost of the repair.

A motion by Hopp, seconded by Van Hatten, to purchase the radio controlled activation system for the civil defense sirens at a cost of $2,512.64. Motion carried**.**

Meeker County Sheriff's Contract – The city and county are in the process of reviewing the expired policing contract for the city. It was determined to have the contract ready by the end of the year and that would also allow the contract dates to match up with other communities in the county.

Brush/Compost Site – John Frederickson stated he will open the brush/compost site through August 31st of this year. The city is working with the street contractor to build a brush site out by the lagoon. Weather and operations have not allowed that to be completed yet.

July Council Meeting - A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Hopp, to move the July council meeting to 5:00 p.m. July 7, 2022. Motion carried**.**

Department Heads – Public Works operator David Medina discussed the civil defense siren on the south side of town, noting that it was approaching the end of its useful life. Discussion was also held regarding repairs needed at the ballpark and additional trimming on city property around the community.

City Council Filing Dates – It was noted the filing dates for this fall's general election for city offices is August 2 – August 16, 2022.

Next City Council Meeting – The next city council meeting is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. Thursday July 7, 2022. 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 Van Hatten, to adjourn at 7:05 p.m. Motion carried.

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Betty & Ralph Inselmann

Peace Lutheran Church Women



SPACE FESTIVAL FOOD STAND



Sunday, July 17th
in the city park
starting after worship

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Kathy Jackson

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M 4 -Closed- "Happy 4th of July!"
T 5 -Closed- till 4 pm
W 6 Scalloped potatoes & ham
T 7 Tacos, tots & coleslaw
F 8 Broasted chicken dinner

M 11 Crispy chicken sandwich w/potato salad
T 12 Broasted chicken dinner
W 13 Chicken spaghetti w/garlic toast
T 14 BLT w/coleslaw
F 15 Roast beef dinner or commercial

M 18 French dip w/potato salad
T 19 Hamburger hotdish
W 20 Broasted chicken dinner
T 21 Chicken breast w Rice-A-Roni
F 22 Tator tot hotdish

M 25 Sauerkraut hotdish
T 26 Broasted chicken dinner
W 27 Salisbury steak dinner
T 28 Pulled pork w/coleslaw
F 29 Lasagna w/garlic toast

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Thank You

to Dave and Brandon of the city maintenance crew for all your help with clean up from the June 20th storm damage. Job well done!

From the city residents on West Gemini Avenue.

Historical Marker

By Mark Minnick



This is the plaque that was left at the Taurus-Littrow lunar landing site by the Apollo 17 astronauts. The commemorative plaque was made of stainless steel measuring nine by seven by five-eighths inches and one-sixteenth inch thick. It was attached to the ladder on the landing gear strut on the descent stage of the Apollo 17 Lunar Module "Challenger".

The text, "Here man completed his first explorations of the moon December 1972, A.D." refers to all six of the Apollo lunar landing sites. The image between the two hemispheres of the Earth is an image of the Moon's surface, with each landing site marked. This should be a 'must see' for future Moon tourists, human or *alien*.

CHEF IT UP!

"Food and spices….together. What a concept!"
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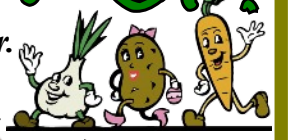

OUTRAGEOUS
Chocolate Chip Cookies



By Grace Kamrath

Since cookies are a hit anytime, I thought a really good chocolate chip cookie recipe might be good. Whether you use dark chocolate, milk chocolate or semi-sweet really doesn't matter. If you eat equal amounts of dark chocolate and white chocolate, is that a balanced diet? The cookies have oatmeal in so of course they would be more nutritious. Put "eat chocolate" at the top of your things to do today. That way, at least you'll get one thing done.

OUTRAGEOUS CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES

- ½ c. sugar
- 1/3 c. brown sugar
- ½ c. softened butter
- ½ c. peanut butter
- ½ t. vanilla
- 1 egg
- 1 c. flour
- ½ c. quick cooking oatmeal
- 1 t. baking soda
- ¼ t. salt
- 1 pkg. (6 oz) chocolate chips

Beat sugars, butter, peanut butter, vanilla and egg in bowl until creamy and well blended.

Mix in flour, oatmeal, baking soda and salt. Stir in chocolate chips. Drop dough by rounded tablespoonfuls about 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake in 350 degree oven for 10 to 12 minutes.

Makes 2 dozen cookies.

***OR** you could grease a 9x9 inch pan.
Spread dough in pan and bake 25 to 30 minutes.

Here is a diet tip. Eat a chocolate bar before each meal. It'll take the edge off your appetite, and you'll eat less.



Thoughts from the ~~windowsill~~ countertop of life.



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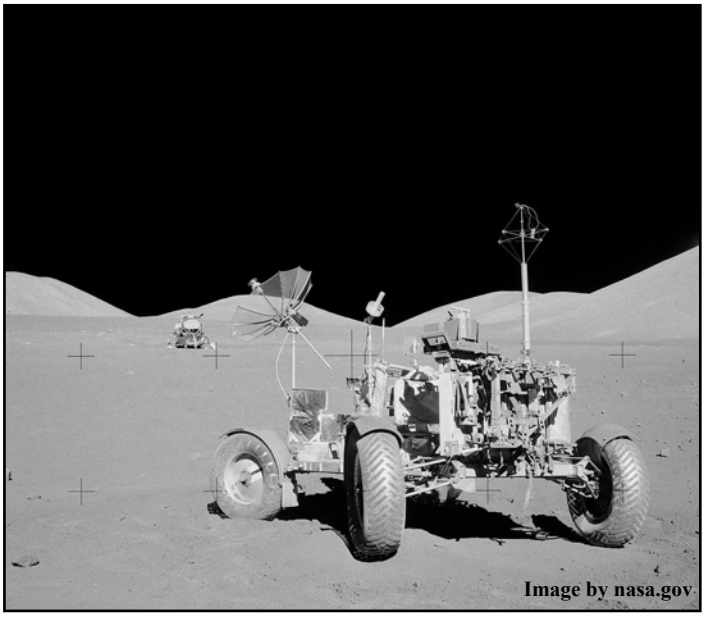
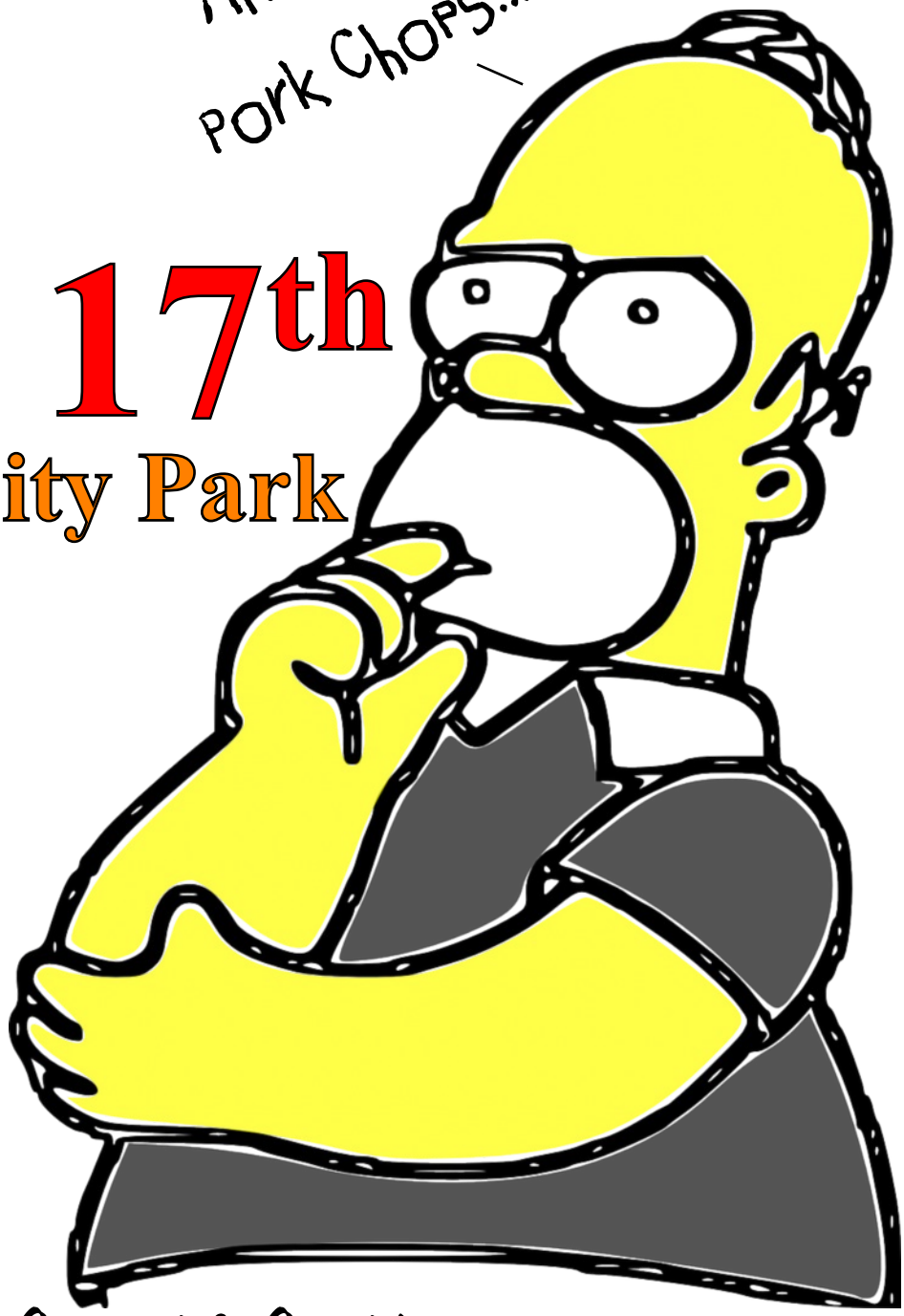


The Apollo 17 Lunar Roving Vehicle, as it was finally left parked on the Moon.

Cosmos Space Festival

Pork Chop Dinner





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July 17th

Cosmos City Park

-Chops-

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Science, Tech and Just Plain Cool Stuff



Artwork courtesy Roy Snyder

The Last Moonshot-Apollo 17



Apollo 17 Saturn V rocket on Pad 39-A at dusk, December 1972. This was the last human flight to the moon.
Image courtesy nasa.gov

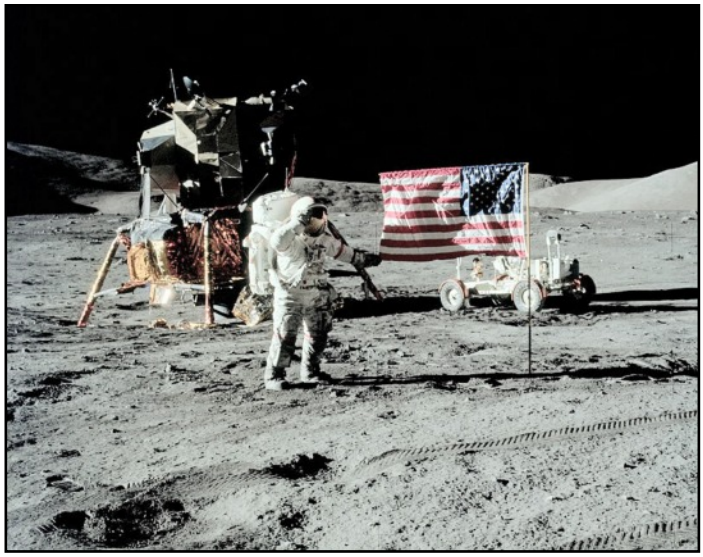
By Mark Minnick

The Cosmos Space Festival came about to commemorate man's first moon landing on July 20th, 1969. In the history books and our memories, that Apollo 11 mission and Neil Armstrong's "Small step" get all of the fanfare. I thought it would be interesting to look into the ***last*** trip to the Moon *(so far)* in December 1972, Apollo 17. ***That was 50 years ago!*** Being 14 years old at the time, I vaguely remember following the mission on TV. I mostly recall watching the live images of the Moon walks and drives. (They had a car up there.) It was the coolest stuff yet! On the next page is a quick overview of the mission from wikipedia.org. I hope you enjoy it.

The Last Moonshot-Apollo 17



Apollo 17 crew: Commander, Eugene Cernan (seated), Command Module pilot Ronald Evans (standing on right), and Lunar Module pilot, Harrison Schmitt. *Image by nasa.gov*



Gene Cernan salutes the U.S. flag, with the Apollo Lunar Module Challenger and Lunar Roving Vehicle in the background. *Image by nasa.gov*

Apollo 17 (December 7–19, 1972) was the final mission of NASA's Apollo program, the most recent time humans have set foot on the Moon or traveled beyond low Earth orbit. Commander **Gene Cernan** and Lunar Module Pilot **Harrison Schmitt** walked on the Moon, while Command Module Pilot **Ronald Evans** orbited above. Schmitt was the only professional geologist to land on the Moon, selected in place of Joe Engle with NASA under pressure to send a scientist to the Moon. The mission's heavy emphasis on science meant the inclusion of a number of new experiments, including a biological experiment containing five mice carried in the command module.

Mission planners considered two primary goals in selecting the landing site: to sample lunar highland material older than Mare Imbrium and to investigate the possibility of relatively recent volcanic activity. They thus selected **Taurus–Littrow**, where formations that had been viewed and pictured from orbit were thought to be volcanic in nature. Since all three crew members had backed up previous Apollo lunar missions, they were familiar with the Apollo spacecraft and had more time for geology training.

Launched at 12:33 a.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) on December 7, 1972, after the only launch-pad delay in the Apollo program caused by a hardware problem, Apollo 17 was a "J-type" mission that included three days on the lunar surface, extended scientific capability, and the use of the third Lunar Roving Vehicle (LRV). Cernan and Schmitt landed in the Taurus–Littrow valley and completed three moon walks, taking lunar samples and deploying scientific instruments. Orange soil was discovered at Shorty crater, and proved to be volcanic in origin, although from early in the Moon's history. Evans remained in lunar orbit in the command and service module (CSM), taking scientific measurements and photographs. The spacecraft returned to Earth on December 19.



The mission broke several records for crewed space flight, including the longest crewed lunar landing mission (12 days 14 hours), greatest distance from a spacecraft during an extravehicular activity of any type (7.6 kilometers (4.7 mi), longest total lunar surface extravehicular activities (22 hours 4 minutes), largest lunar sample return (approximately 115 kg or 254 lb), longest time in lunar orbit (6 days 4 hours), and most lunar orbits (75). *Article by wikipedia.org*



Astronaut Eugene A. Cernan, and Lunar Roving Vehicle (LRV),taken during the third Extravehicular Activity (EVA). *Image by nasa.gov*



The Work Continues



Images and commentary by Mark Minnick

It looks like things are going pretty well with the city construction project. The crews are going about their business, getting trenches dug, pipe laid and backfilling everything properly. We're starting to see curb and gutter being laid, with paving next in line. Here's a few pics showing a bit of the activity.















Apollo 17 astronaut Eugene Cernan salutes the American Flag on the Moon, July 1972.
Image courtesy nasa.gov

Space Festival

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Fire Destroys Local Home



The home of Eva Miller burned on June 18. The house is a total loss. Eva, son Dan and Dan's wife Ivy are all safe, as well as Eva's dog Daisy.

Comment by Mark Minnick, pics and caption info by Benjamin Hansen
Eva Miller of Corvuso, Minnesota, lost her home to a fire that started Saturday afternoon, June 18th. Thank goodness no one was hurt. Another Corvuso resident, **Benjamin Hansen**, sent the Gazette these telling photos and commentary explaining what was going on. Thank you Ben, for the images and info that chronicle this tragic event that happened to one of our local residents.





After the Meeker county sheriff's department, Cosmos fire department was first on the scene.







The Litchfield and Hutchinson Fire Departments assisted. The fire seemed to be contained in the roof of the home. The Cosmos Fire Department figured about 60,000 gallons were used to put out the fire.

The Battle Continues...



A back hoe was brought in to remove portions of the roof.



The back hoe ended up falling into the basement of the home and ended up on its side. It was stuck and unable to recover on its own.



The big backhoe was brought in and gave the small backhoe a hand in getting out of the basement.



Firefighters were able to remove some photos and smoke damaged clothing from the home at the last minute. A small garden shed was also saved from the fire. Other than those few items, ***the Miller's lost everything.***



A "**Go Fund Me**" account has been set up by one of Ivy's friends and a Menard's coworker. Go to www.gofundme.com and search-**Dan, Ivy and Eva Miller**- it should pop up. *If you have trouble finding their account, check with Mark at the Gazette.*



TIME WARP

July 1972

Everybody is getting ready for the Cosmos Space Festival, 1972. There's rocket launches, a flower growing contest, a flea market, Vikings football players and used Snapper riding mowers! Almost forgot, live Rock 'n' Roll music! Holy cow, Eunice! Don't get overheated!

More fun and entertainment than ever at Cosmos Space Festival July 18 - 20

Flower judging to be Tuesday

COSMOS--The annual residential flower-growing contest will be judged the first day of the Cosmos Space Festival, Tuesday, July 18.

Local residents are urged to have their yards and flowers in top condition for the judging on that day, and so they will be at their best to please the many visitors to our town for these two big days.

Special Space Festival Section

A SUPPLEMENT TO

The Cosmos Sun-Lake Lillian Crier

THURSDAY, JULY 13, 1972

LITTLE MISS UNIVERSE AND MAN ON THE MOON TO BE CROWNED AFTER KIDDIE PARADE, WED.

COSMOS--One of the very popular events of the Cosmos Space Festival--the crowning of Little Miss Universe and the Man on the Moon--will take place on the second evening of the celebration this year, Wednesday, July 19.

Following the annual kiddie parade, scheduled for 6:30 p.m., the new Little Miss Universe and Man on the Moon will be announced, and they will be crowned by the two youngsters presently holding the titles, Robin Youngblom and her brother, Wayne Youngblom, children of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Youngblom.

Candidates for the honor of being crowned will march in the kiddie parade preceding the coronation.



LITTLE MISS UNIVERSE, Robin Youngblom, and her brother, the Man on the Moon, Wayne Youngblom, seen here shortly after their crowning last year, will preside over the annual Kiddie Parade and will crown their successors.

Bargain Days, Sidewalk Sale, Flea Market at Space Festival

COSMOS--A big "Bargain Day" featuring outstanding values throughout the town, will be featured as a part of the fourth annual Cosmos Space Festival on Tuesday, July 18.

Cosmos merchants are now preparing bargains for the event, which will be one of the big selling events of the year. Stores will feature outstanding values in all departments.

A special feature of the event will be a Sidewalk Sale and Flea Market. Here you will find merchandise displayed by stores and any other interested person, right out on the sidewalks.

In addition to the tables which local merchants annually set up right out on the streets and sidewalks on that day, spaces will be reserved for individuals to participate.

Charge for taking part in the flea market will be $1.00 per table, with the sellers to furnish their own tables. Mrs. Maurice Turner is in charge of this event. Sellers should contact her to register for the flea market, and to be assigned a spot. Registration may be made on Tuesday morning.

Shaw Allen Shaw to furnish music for street dance, charge made this year

COSMOS--The trio of Shaw, Allen and Shaw will furnish music for the street dance at the Space Festival in Cosmos this year.

The well-known, popular musical group will play for the entertainment and dancing of visitors to the Space Festival--primarily for young people--and dancing will be right in the street, just north of the First State Bank building.

Again this year, the street dance will be held one night only, on Tuesday night, July 18, the first night of the Space Festival. The dance is scheduled to get under way at approximately 9 p.m.

CHARGE MADE

A big change in the street dance will be made this year, however. A charge of $1.00 per person will be made. Ticket sellers will be at the gates to the dance area to collect from all taking part.

COSMOS--Rocket lauching contests, horse show, appearances by two members of the Minnesota Vikings football squad, chicken supper, a carnival, street dance, prize drawings, kiddie parade, street sale and flea market, the crowning of Little Miss Universe and the Man on the Moon, will all be parts of the fourth annual Cosmos Space Festival on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, July 18, 19 and 20.

July 20 will be the third anniversary of the American astronauts' first walk on the moon. Remember that day? Cosmos remembers it and will really be "up in the air" to keep it a day to remember.

The three days will be chock-full of exciting events, prizes, fun and goodies for everybody. Throughout this paper you will read in detail about the many exciting events which are taking place throughout the town in these three eventful days. They'll be days in which you can remember the mighty day three years ago when man first set foot on the moon, and you can also have a good time with your friends and neighbors.

Tentative schedule for this year's space festival is as follows:

$300 in cash prizes will be given away at a drawing, as well as many other prizes, as well. Cash prizes will be a first prize of $200, and four other prizes of $25 each.

Chicken supper will be served in the village park on Thursday, July 20 from 5 to 9 p.m. Deep fried chicken supper is served for only $1.25 a plate.

An open rocket meet will be staged on Wednesday and Thursday, 2 to 5 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. on Thursday, with model rocketeers from throughout the state of Minnesota taking part.

Two members of the Minnesota Vikings Football team, Bobby Bryant and Ed White, will take part in the rocket lauching contests Wednesday and Thursday.

A horse show with precision riding and drills will be presented for your entertainment Wednesday evening, at 8 p.m.

There will be a street dance on Tuesday evening, July 18, beginning at 9 p.m. Music will be furnished by Shaw, Allen and Shaw.

Gopher State Shows carnival will be on the grounds all three days.

The Kandi-Pipers barbershop quartet will entertain during the supper hour on Thursday.

Schedule for this year's space festival is as follows:

July 18 -- Flea Market and Sidewalk Sale all morning and afternoon. 2:00 p.m. Carnival Rides; 9-12 p.m. Street Dance, Music by Shaw, Allen and Shaw.

July 19 -- 2 p.m. Carnival Rides; 2-5 p.m. Rocket Meet, with Minnesota Viking football stars taking part. 7:00 p.m. Kiddie Parade; 8:00 p.m. Horse Show; 10:00 p.m. Prize Drawing.

July 20 -- 2:00 p.m. Carnival Rides; 2-5 p.m. Rocket Meet, with Minnesota Vikings football stars taking part; 5-9 p.m. Chicken Supper; 6-8 p.m. Barbershop Quartet entertains; 7 p.m. Rocket Meet, with Minnesota Vikings; 10:00 p.m. Prize Drawing.

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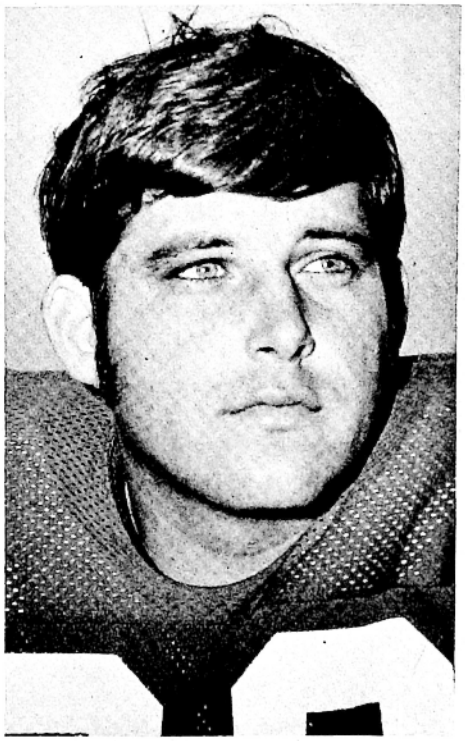
FINALLY, ONE SHOULD STAY

after fighting a losing battle with the elements, the Cosmos Space Festival Committee has put up an over-street banner which should stay up, barring a major storm. In past years, light-weight canvas signs put up with rope, wire or nylon rope just have not been able to withstand the elements. This year a much sturdier one has been hoisted above Cosmos' main business street, Milky Way. It took the cooperation of a lot of people to get it up. Hub. Schiro was pressed into service to construct a well-built banner of heavy-duty canvas similar to those which have been successfully kept aloft in other cities. The banner is 18 inches high and 35 feet long. Tough metal clips are fastened securely all along its top for fastening to the cable. Heavy rings are anchored tightly to the bottom corners for securing to the supporting poles by rope. The banner was painted by Robin Jacobs and Blaine Stenberg. Northern States Power Co. not only donated a pole, but sent a crew to erect it and install the cable between the new pole, planted on Hackbarth's machinery lot between Minnick's 66 and the bank, and another pole on the corner of the village park. Quarter-inch cable was secured by Harold Hesser, and rope by Verne Fredin. A Lake State Telephone Co. crew with elevating bucket put the banner into place. The new banner is not only visible to all who travel Highway 4, but is easily seen by those traveling Highway 7 as they pass through town.



ED WHITE, Minnesota Vikings guard will be one of the Vikings who will be firing rockets in the Cosmos Space Festival's rocket contest this year. At six feet two inches, Ed weights 262 pounds. He is 25 years old, and in his third year with the vikings. He is a reserve guard and sometimes a starter. He is a quick starter and hard-hitter who can also play defensive tackle. He was All-American and most valuable player at Cal. in 1969. He also won two letters in track, and made the Deans's list in 1966 and 1967. He is a native of La Mesa, Calif., and now lives in the Twin Cities and works as a landscape architect for the city of St. Paul. Ed and his wife, JoAnn, have one child.

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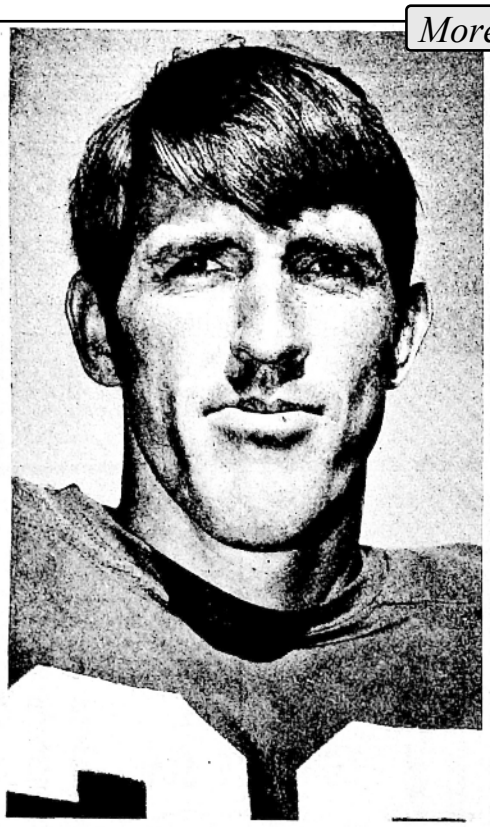

Bobby Bryant coming to Cosmos Space Festival

BOBBY BRYANT, defensive back for the Minnesota Vikings football squad, will be another of the Vikings who will be taking part in the Cosmos Space Festival rocket firing contest. At six feet one inch, Bobby weighs in at 170 pounds. He is 28 years old, and in his fourth year with the Vikings. Bobby holds the club interception mark with eight in 1969. He was injured for a part of the 1970 season, but still intercepted three passes, returning one 39 yards for a touchdown. He has played left and right cornerback and can play free safety. He is extremely quick, a fluid runner and a surprisingly tough hitter for his size. In College he played football (All-ACC defensive back and athlete of the year in conference in 1967) and baseball (set school strikeout record of 224 in three years as a pitcher.) He is a native of Macon, Ga., and now resides in Bloomington, Minn. He works in the off-season in the banking business. He and his wife, Bernadine, have one daughter.



NEW SIGNS welcoming people to Cosmos and advertising the annual Cosmos Space Festival appeared on Highway 7 last week. One is at the east edge of the village and the other at the west. On a blue background, the sign depicts a spaceman parachuting to earth, and about to land at Cosmos, marked by a star on the map. The words "Welcome to" and "A good place to splash down" are painted in red, while "Cosmos" is painted in scotchlite, so it shines in the light of reflected headlights.

BLAST OFF!

Rocketeers needed

COSMOS--More amateur rocketeers are still wanted to take part in the rocket firing contest which will be a part of the annual Cosmos Space Festival, July 18-19-20.

The Cosmos Rocket Club will welcome entries not only from those who have had experience firing rockets, but from anybody else who has an interest in rockets and space.

The club will even help a beginner to get started. Rocket kits are on hand, ready for construction. Anybody interested is asked to contact Wedy Haagenson or Georgia Bateman.

The annual rocket contest will be a bigger-than-ever affair this year, taking place on two afternoons and one evening, July 19 and 20.

Of special interest this year is the news that two members of the Minnesota Vikings football squad will be taking part in the meet as contestants. The pair are Ed White and Bobby Bryant.

Merchants finance Vikings

COSMOS--Two Minnesota Vikings football players, Ed White and Bobby Bryant, will take part in the rocket launching contest at the Cosmos Space Festival through the courtesy of a large group of Cosmos merchants.

Expenses of bringing the two men here are financed by the following places of business:

First State Bank of Cosmos, American Legion Club, Sportsmen's Inn, Home Oil Service, Cosmos Sun, Mortenson Construction, Hesser Hardware, Turner's Radio and TV, Silver Star Cafe, Blackwell's Farm Supply, Cosmos Red-E-Mix and Drain Tile Manufacturing Co.

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Band members in parade.....

COSMOS--Cosmos Band Director Robert Turner has requested that all members of the band be in line for the kiddie parade, next Wednesday, near Cosmos Memorial Chapel, at 6:45 p.m.

WE'RE FLYING HIGH



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Thoughts & Observations



By Mark Minnick,
"Insect Loving Idiot" Editor of **The Galactic Gazette**. Email at **wordnut66@outlook.com**

The Fourth of July and Space Fest, all in the same month! Uff da! A busy time for us Cosmonites. It's almost too much fun for an old geezer like me. I'll just have to tough it out. It might help if I install a beverage holder on my wheelchair. I'll see how it goes. **I totally dozed off** and forgot to publish **Ralph & Betty Inselmann's** anniversary 'Thank You' in the June Gazette. I'm an idiot. I apologize and it's published in this issue. Btw, I had a great time at their anniversary. **I haven't been able to go fishing** this summer, as I'm limited with my rotten legs. Oh well, I figure if I can't fish, I might as well go thru my hodge podge 'inventory' of fishing tackle. I have certainly collected and accumulated a bunch over the years. *You can **never** have too much tackle, right? And when you find a lure that's cool, ya gotta have 3-4 of each!* I always tell myself that I gotta get to the point where I know where everything is. So, the monstrous quest begins. Boring as it may sound, so far I've been enjoying rummaging thru all of the rods, reels, tackle boxes and massive quantity of LURES. I forgot what I all had!



Some of the stuff is going to stay in the 'inventory' while the rest is going to go to someone that can appreciate it. No junk mind you, that's going in the trash. Just good, usable tackle-Even some nice vintage stuff. All fun! The main goal is to be done cleaning and straightening stuff up before I go to 'the home'. (I better hurry up.) If I heal up enough, maybe I can even make use of the new found 'inventory' and catch a fish or two with it.



Def Leppard just released a new album called "Diamond Star Halos" on April 29th. Good stuff, me thinks. I hope to do a full review in a future issue.



Stay tuned and
"Rock On."





We had a few readers that really know intrepid fisherman when they see 'em. Gator and Curt aced it. ***(Dave missed a few, but he'll still earn a couple KewPies for the effort.)***
Here's the 'truthful' answers…

The great BS Fisherman I believe are, left to right;
Gordon Johnson
Eugene Dallmann
Sigvold (Sig) Stockland
Eugene (Jiggs) Olson
Gunder Johnson
Donny Olson
Ervin (Toby) Schiro
Mark 'Gator' Dallmann

Gordon Johnson
Gene Dallmann
Sig Stockland
Jiggs Olson
Gunder Johnson
Donny Olson
Toby Schiro
Curt Meyer





Gordon Johnson
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Elgene Olson
Oly Grimm
Donald Olson
Toby Schiro
Dave Dallmann

June 1963!



Behold the fishermen

This group of intrepid fishermen are proudly displaying the 42 walleyes they claimed they caught on Lake Minnebelle, last week—or was it Thompson Lake? Anyway, it just proves you can't believe any stories that fishermen tell! Left to right the anglers are: Gordon Johnson, Eugene Dallman, Sig Stockland, Jiggs Olson, Gunder Johnson, Donnie Olson and Toby Schiro.—Staff photo.

TIME WARP Whozit?

July 1972



Everyone in Cosmos is excited for the 1972 Space Festival. This gentleman is president of the Cosmos Commercial Club. He's holding one of the metal stars that will be part of the glitzy new street decorations. Fancy…anyway,

Whozit?

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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".

-Rabbits vs Turtles-

A Hoops Spectacular



Pic by court side photographer Colton Minnick

The crowd goes wild the fan favorite Herbie *"Air Turtle"* goes in for an easy lay-up.

By Local Chicken

I had to come back from Neptune for the annual grudge match between the Rabbits and the Turtles. *(I couldn't leave, the old hen was winning at the slots.)* The wiley Blue Bullheads were biting too, so…

Anyway, it was quite the exciting contest again this year. Team Turtle actually managed to put the ball through the hoop *three* times.

The Turtles offense seemed to function the best when the Rabbits stepped aside to munch on some clover. *(They had to keep their energy up I was told.)* This resulted in three uncontested 'fast break' baskets for Team Turtle. That's one more than they scored in last year's contest. Quite the improvement I'd say. Hmmm, maybe a free throw next game?

The final score was; Rabbits 183 - Turtles 6. Hey, it's better than last years 298 - 2. Team Turtle is improving. Maybe they'll score in the double-digits next year. Ra Ra! Go Turtles!





The next meeting is:

July 11th, 7 PM

-At Mug Shots-

**Due to a power outage our Memorial Day Service was canceled. At this time we would like to pay tribute to those members of our Legion Family that passed away last year. They are: Mark Bakke, Ardell Johnson, Dale Thomas & Kenny Hopp. May they Rest In Peace.*

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