

OWATONNA HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 1963

55th Anniversary

(1963-2018)

**OWATONNA
MINNESOTA**

From the Editor:

The response to our request for information to be included in this year's class update has been excellent. We have heard from nearly 50 of our classmates and most have submitted pictures. Thank you for helping to make this booklet informative and interesting.

The articles from classmates appear alphabetically by last name. We have organized the submissions from female classmates by maiden names. This answers the question about which story to put at the front and which to put at the back.

In some cases a classmate's name and contact information appears in a little blue box. These entries are from classmates who made a special effort to send information for the class update but chose not to write a story. We appreciate the response and are pleased to include this information.

Additional paper copies of this booklet and previous Class of 1963 Updates can be purchased through Amazon. Search for Amazon.com and under the heading "Books" insert Owatonna High School. It's that simple. This 55th anniversary booklet and previous updates can also be found on my website www.roneustice.com.

Enjoy reading about our classmates. It's a pleasure to share their stories.

Ron Eustice

August 2018

"No one can whistle a symphony. It takes a whole orchestra to play it."

H.E. Luccock

The editor thanks Jerry Carstensen, Kathy Johnson Lembke and Jim Colton for their constant encouragement and support during work on this booklet.

This has been a team effort and it has been fun!

*Front cover design by Haruo Nakajima;
American Field Service (AFS) Exchangee from Japan to Owatonna High School (1962-63)*

OHS CLASS of 1963 55th ANNIVERSARY REUNION

The class of '63 had a great 55th reunion on Saturday, August 18. I hope you were one of the lucky attendees! The reunion was held in one of the hangars at the Owatonna airport which was super cool in two ways. First it was a great place to hang out—lots of space for greeting each other as well as for sitting while eating. Second it was cool in temperature with wide open doors big enough for an airplane!

Some of your classmates went all out in preparing for the reunion. Jerry Carstensen arranged for the space and, along with Jon Simon made it spotless. Jerry and Jon also organized the classic car show outside the hangar. Kathy Lembke and Judy Kretlow dug out the most recent contact information for many of our classmates, purchased and served the food and created the “Lives Remembered” display at the reunion. Mary Carstensen helped prepare the posters and helped with decorating the hangar, helped set up tables and chairs, ordered the party equipment from the rental company and helped with much of the other preparation. Mary Helen Hamilton Pelton gave an inspiring and humorous address at the reunion. And finally Ron Eustice produced the most recent in a series of annual class newsletters.

A big thanks to all these volunteers for helping to make our 55th reunion a success! And of course the reunion was successful because all you attendees went the extra mile to be there. Thanks for coming!

Jim Colton

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Take the "OLDER THAN DIRT" Quiz Do You Remember?

1. BlackJack Chewing Gum
2. Wax coke-shaped bottle with colored sugar water
3. Butch Wax
4. Candy Cigarettes
5. Soda Pop machines with Glass bottles
6. Howdy Doody
7. Restaurants with tableside JukeBoxes
8. Home milk delivery in glass bottles
9. Party Telephone Lines
10. NewsReels before the movies
11. 45 RPM records
12. P.F.Flyers
13. Carrying a Metal Lunchbox
14. Drive in Movie Theatres
15. Telephone numbers with word prefix (Olive-6971)
16. The Andy Griffith Show
17. Soda Fountains
18. Roller Skate Keys
19. S+H Green Stamps
20. Blue Flashbulbs



If you remember 0 to 5 - You're a WhipperSnapper
If you remember 6 to 15 - You're Gettin' There
If you remember 16 to 20 - You're

"OLDER THAN DIRT"

OWATONNA HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1963 --- 55th ANNIVERSARY

OHS CLASS OF 1963

50-YEAR REUNION



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OHS Carolers (December 1961)





FROM

JEAN ABBOT PETERSON:

We have been living in Pebble Beach, California for 30 years following John's retirement from the Navy. We have two fabulous daughters. One lives nearby and the other on the East Coast with our wonderful granddaughter. The past few years we have been traveling the world on cruise ships working as hosts for an association of travel agencies. The photo shown above was taken in Angkor Wat, Cambodia this past spring.

Life is great! Please convey my very best wishes to all our classmates and I do hope that we will have the opportunity to meet up again. Best wishes,

Jean Abbott Peterson

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Angkor Wat, Cambodia

Angkor Wat ("Capital Temple") is a temple complex in Cambodia and the largest religious monument in the world, on a site measuring 402 acres). It was originally constructed as a Hindu temple dedicated to the god Vishnu for the Khmer Empire, gradually transforming into a Buddhist temple towards the end of the 12th century.

FROM DORIS BEHSMAN HAUSER



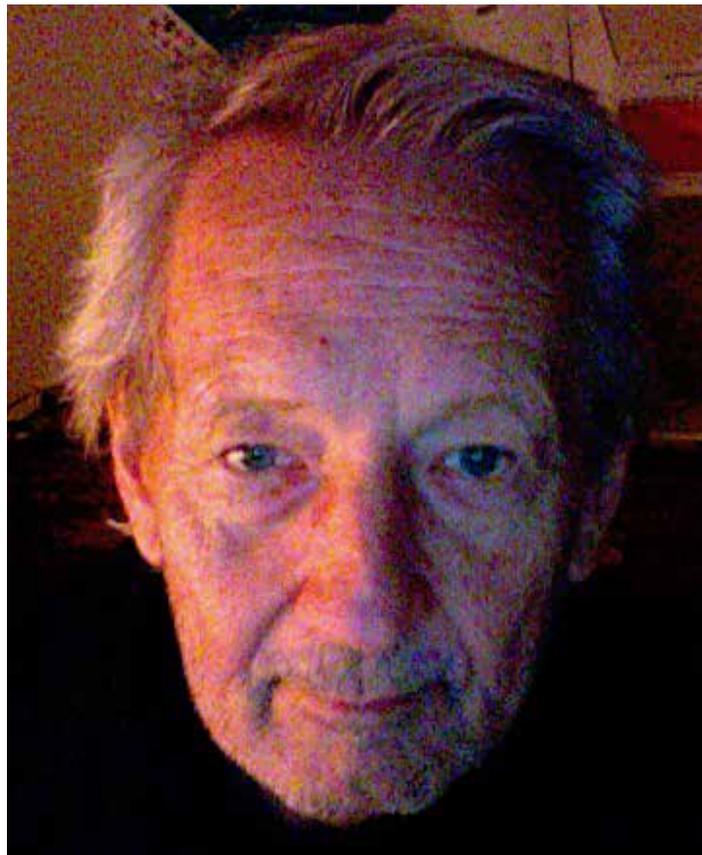
Fred and I are in the process of moving to Nashville from our current home in Kentucky. We're looking forward to being closer to our daughter who had twins last year and our other 2 grandkids. We also like to travel and have been to Greece, Italy, and Mexico.

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FROM ROGER BUSCOVICK

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Roger and Linda Buscovick live in Bullhead City, Arizona. Roger retired from the Veterans Administration Hospital in June 2010. Linda retired from Wells Fargo in 2015. Roger and Linda have four grandchildren; one granddaughter in North Carolina and two granddaughters and a grandson in Minnesota.

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FROM JACK BOHNHOFF

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Jack Bohnhoff is a born-way-too-early lover of new music, art, nature, science, animals, parks. I am a proud cultural progressive who hugs trees and marches in those "demonstrations." I no longer participate in organized religion. I have spent most of my life doing electronics, computers, and such... as a programmer, software designer, hardware designer, manager, company executive. Intertwined with that, I make a lot of photographs, mostly of things rather than people. Cooking is also a favorite, and I almost never use a recipe, only refer to one sometimes for inspiration. I have two sons and three grandsons. Because our Y chromosome is not into making girls. Darn it.

Much love to all of my classmates from 1963. You are all wonderful. Well... most of you are wonderful I suppose. I will not be attending the reunion this year 2018. I love that the party will be at the airport. I have flown into and out of that airport many times. Very nice and there's a VOR nearby for those of you who will fly in. Feel free to email me at address below.

Jack Bohnhoff
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FROM JERRY CARSTENSEN



Jerry and Mary Carstensen's grandson Eli plays for a team called "The Bad News Bears."

This past year I had an opportunity to do something I've always wanted to do. Every year the largest air show of its kind in the world is held in Oshkosh, WI. It's a one week event with over 10,000 airplanes making this the world's busiest control tower for that week. It was an absolutely amazing display of some of the finest aircraft ever assembled in one location – from commercial planes by Boeing and Airbus, military aircraft, general aviation planes by Cessna, Piper, Gulfstream, Learjet, etc. to vintage, homebuilt and restored planes along with displays by NASA, the FAA and numerous aviation suppliers - it was an amazing event. I felt like a one eyed dog in a butcher shop just trying to see everything on display.

Best wishes to everybody for a healthy and prosperous year. Let's keep staying in touch!

Jerry Carstensen
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Jerry Carstensen attended the EAA AIRVENTURE show in Oshkosh, Wisconsin with Dave Beaver, the manager of the Owatonna Regional Airport.

Greetings to everybody. It's great that we're getting together for our 55th OHS reunion. Ron Eustice does such a fantastic job of putting the newsletter together and it's really enjoyable reading everybody's updates and staying in touch that way, too.

Mary and I are doing well – we still try to get away for a while in the winter when we can and made several nice trips this past year. It's especially nice to visit our twin granddaughters in college now. We visited one of them at the University of Kansas and this fall we hope to see the other granddaughter at Evergreen College. And we love to watch our 8 year old grandson Eli play baseball.

There were a couple of real nice highlights this past year. My father was 19 years old when he left his family and immigrated to the United States from Germany coming through Ellis Island. I did make a trip to Germany with him and my brother in the early 1980's to meet some of his family and then again several years later with our oldest daughter. Other than that I've had minimal contact with any of my relatives in Germany.

Our granddaughter at Evergreen College has been studying German in high school and college and through her translations we were able to connect with a number of relatives in Germany.

This past March one of my cousins did visit us in MN and our daughter and granddaughter joined us to host him. What a great time – I'm now connected with many of them on Facebook and we would like to make a trip to Germany and meet many more relatives on my father's side.



FROM CLYDE & LINDA (SUESS) CHRISTOFFERSON



Clyde & Linda's 50th Wedding Anniversary (October 8, 2016)

L-R: Jean & Lee Christofferson, Linda & Clyde, Dana, Wade, Cole, Matt Sullivan

Clyde worked for Hazelton Company until he was 65 years-old and then worked a few years for LeRoy Meier Construction. He is now enjoying his retirement. He loves fishing in Minnesota, Florida, North and South Dakota. Linda says, "I do get him to mow the lawn once in awhile and he usually keeps the snow cleared in the winter."

Linda worked 55 years as a beautician; way longer than planned. She owned Lyn's Cut & Curl for 40 years. She says, "It's time to hang it up! The State of Minnesota wants us to go for more schooling to renew our license; not me."

Linda's retirement will be to take care of her garden and paint. Linda paints on saws. She will have a painting competing at the Fine Arts Display this year at the the Steele County Free Fair.

Linda and Clyde have two children: Dana, is married to Matt Sullivan and is a teacher in Prior Lake. Matt is substitute teacher and Assistant Football and Wrestling Coach. They have two sons; Cole, who finished college at South Dakota State University with a degree in Mechanical Engineering and Wade, now in the second year at

the University of Minnesota at Duluth. He was "Mr. Football" in the state of Minnesota. Our son, Lee, and his wife Jean live in Milwaukee. Lee works for an insurance company as a computer technician. Jean works in a hospital. They have no children but several cats.

Linda (Suess) & Clyde Christofferson
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Local gardens open to public during special tour Sunday

By RYAN ANDERSON



Gardening is Lyn Christofferson's favorite pastime and she spends time toiling there daily, she said. "My husband keeps up the lawn and I do the flowers."

The Owatonna Arts Center Secret Garden Tour Sunday will once again allow locals an opportunity to visit some of the finest gardens in the area, find inspiration for their own gardens, and even pick up tips from the featured gardeners.

Owatonna People's Press (July 19, 2018)



Linda and her prize-winning painting at the Steele County Fair

FROM JIM COLTON:
Palo Alto, California



The past year has been one of the best of our lives—our first grandchild was born on November 22nd!! I know many of you are old hands at being grandparents but for us this is all brand new and exciting. Our granddaughter’s name is Avery Lara, daughter of our older son Eric and his wife Melissa. They live in Brooklyn, a long ways from a Palo Alto. We plan to travel there often to see Avery and, oh yes, to see Eric and Melissa too! They just visited us recently and during their visit Avery revealed to us her first two teeth.

While not cooing over Avery, I’m still actively pursuing my second “career” as an amateur photographer. You can see some of my photos below and at jimcoltonphotography.com

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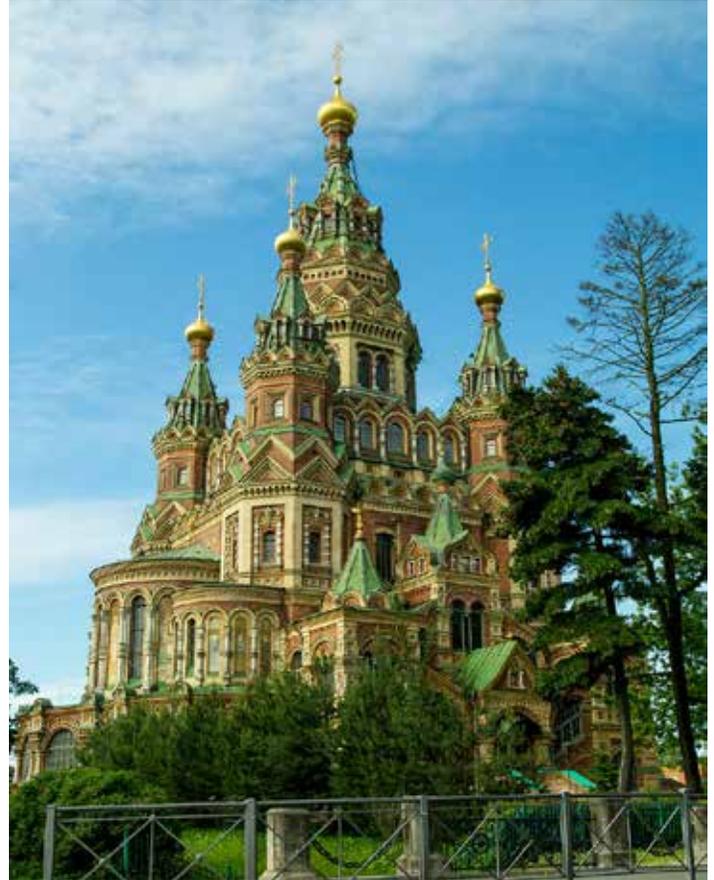


Photos by Jim Colton. See more at jimcoltonphotography.com





Back to the 50s in Cuba



St. Petersburg, Russia

jimcoltonphotography.com



Budapest, Hungary



The Arches, Utah



Geyser in Iceland

Full service gas stations were abundant

Owatonna People's Press; By Todd Hale

(April 29, 2018)

I received an e-mail from Dave Kofoed of Owatonna relating to my reference to the bell that rang outside a gas station when car pulled up to the pumps. Instead of a cable strung out across the driving lane at the station, Dave told me it actually was a pneumatic tube. As a tire drove over it, the pressure would be increased in the tube thus ringing the bell.

That brings to mind the many service stations that served Owatonna motorists prior to today's self-serve gas pumps. Besides actual service stations, gasoline was sold at neighborhood grocery stores in town as well as in the country.

Each service station had its unique personality. When I came to town, Bob (Bunny) Jurgensen operated the Mobil station located at Main and Park Square. After Jurgensen retired, the station was run by Ralph Srsen. Dave Gerhartz ran the station from 1974 to 1980. When Jurgensen ran the station, I can imagine a lot of county commissioner business was discussed there as Bob served on the county board. He was also a long-time member of the fair board and was Superintendent of Horses for many years.

Here's a listing of other gas stations I remember: There were quite a few stations along Oak Street which carried highway traffic for highway 65. Jay Grunwald's Skelly at Oak and Broadway; Hilary Caron's Standard located across the street; Bud Baldus Texaco further south at Oak and McKinley. Before Baldus, the station was operated by Ken and Vern Kaplan. The station was built by R.C. Jirakowic; there was a Clark Super 100 located at Oak and Vine first operated by Joey Ptacek and later by Oscar Sommers. Joey later opened the Shell station located at the corner of Oak and Holly where a used vehicle lot is now. Across the street, Frank Anderson sold Pure Oil at his grocery store.



Pure Oil station located at the corner of Oak and Holly in Owatonna.

The corner of Main and Oak was loaded with gas stations on every corner. On the northwest corner was a Pure Oil run by Sid Wilker. That station changed owners several times. LeRoy Meier, John Kristofferson and Cliff Ward also ran that station. Gordy Ness and Dick Schultz ran the Standard station on the southeast corner of Main and Oak. J.P. Kreutter's State Farm office is located there now. The Conoco station on the southwest corner where J.B. Liquor is now was originally run by Orville Utpadel. Paul Arnfelt, who had been working for Joe Sampson at Sampson Dairy bought the station from Utpadel in 1961. Arnfelt eventually sold the station to Gil Voss. Rich Granowski was the last owner. Remember the Royal gas station across from the Cedar Mall, where Larry's Liquor is now. Arnfelt ran that station as well. It later became a Spur station. The Apco station on the triangle lot on South Oak was first run by Les Hanson and later by Jim Chester who called the station Chet's Apco. A tobacco shop now sits on that property.

Dave Hogate ran Dave's Super Service on the northeast corner of Main and Oak, across from the Pure Oil. The pumps were located under the building with apartments upstairs. He had a garage just to the north.

Bick and Andy's Cities Service was located at Oak and Bridge Street where the Pizza Hut is now. Clarence Bickford and Clayton "Andy" Anderson ran that station and later Andy ran it himself.



Hilary Caron's Standard station was located along Oak Street which carried highway traffic for Highway 65.

Further north at Oak and Pearl Joe Glynn ran another Phillips 66 Station. Across Pearl to the north was Bernie Messing's Standard station where the Subway is now located. Before Bernie, Ken Casper ran that station.

Now to other parts of town. Jim White operated a station on East Main by the curve on highway 218. Bonded Gas on North Elm was run by Clarence Olson. Cliff Koekeritz ran that station as well. Central Co-Op is still located on North Cedar a block north of the Deep Rock and is a self-serve today. Deep Rock was first operated by Cliff Koekeritz and later by Len Kading.

There were more stations on Cedar Street. Just west of Cedar on Vine was Joe's National Oil, owned and operated by Joe Leverty. Joe had the only station in town with an outdoor pit for changing oil. Joe's station was the first one I patronized as it was located next door to the Arnold Hotel where I first lived.



The Mobil station on Main Street and Park Square in Owatonna during the mid-fifties.



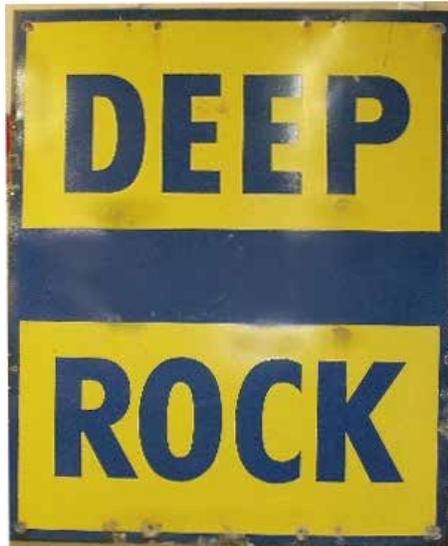
The first drive-in service station in the US opened in 1913. Motorists had been able to pump their own gas at filling stations since 1905, but those were little more than a pump at the curbside. Before that, motorists bought gasoline in cans from places like pharmacies and blacksmith shops and filled up themselves. Full-service gas stations looked much like they do today. With a brightly illuminated roof, it provided shelter from bad weather, and it had a manager and attendants to help with refueling and repairs. At least four of our classmates worked at filling stations (See below). Stopping at a drive-in gas station was different from pulling over to fuel up. For one thing, it offered new retail opportunities to gas station owners. In addition to gas, the stations also offered free air and water—and sold the first commercial road maps in the United States.

Who can forget Ray Johnson's Phillips 66 at the corner of Cedar and Rose across from the Kitchen restaurant? For decades the station was a landmark business downtown. Ray served both as a city councilman and Mayor for the city so there were a lot of city topics discussed at that gas station. Across from Johnson's Phillips 66 was Howie's Standard, run by Howard Schroeder. I remember a major fire at that station which seriously burned Howard's son, Mike who was down in the "pit" at the time.

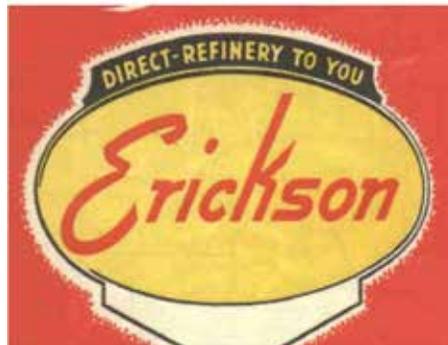
A Texaco and later a Sinclair station located at State and Hoffman Drive where O'Reilly's Auto Parts store is now. The station ran a live bait shop. John Westphal was the last owner of that station. Across the road was a DX station owned by Elmer Steele who ran the Steele Oil Co. Stub Jones and Les Abraham both worked for Steele at the DX station.



Jon Simon was an attendant at DX



Rick Nelson worked at Deep Rock.



Joel Knippel worked at the Erickson station



Manke's was a full-service gas station and much more.

The last full-service Gas Station in Owatonna

The last gas station that offered full service at the pumps was Manke's. (Shown above). I can still see the Manke brothers all sitting in chairs in the office waiting for customers coming to fill up. Yes, they did it all....pumped your gas, washed your windshield and even checked your oil and tire air pressure. Many senior citizens, who didn't like pumping their own gas, all patronized Manke's.

Manke Service was started in 1946 by Fred Manke Sr (1st Generation) and Ervin Manke (2nd Generation) as a Shell filling station delivering gas with a bulk truck to farmers and a trucking business.

So, there you have them...all the service stations I remember when I came to town in 1959. *Todd Hale*



Jerry Carstensen worked as an attendant at the Spur Station



Central Co-Op Association was located at 712 North Cedar Street. Today, this business is part of CFS.

FROM DON & EVELYN (ELSNER) ENZENAUER
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Hello from South of the border (I do mean IOWA, not Mexico). Well, here we are again. WOW! Fifty five years. Do you remember when we were young and the year 2000 seemed soooo far in the future? Now we are far beyond that. Amazing, isn't it?

Having graduated fifty five years ago also means that we have been married for fifty five years. We have one daughter, three sons, three daughters-in-law and one son-in-law.

We have six granddaughters ranging in age from 36 years to seven years. Our grandsons range from 32 years to 3 years. We have one grandson-in-law. We also have two granddaughters-in-law.

We have a 4-year old great granddaughter and five great grandsons. They are sixteen, twelve and eight, eight and eight. No they are not triplets. One lives in MN and the other two cousins live in GA. At home we have two spoiled cats and one spoiled rotten dog.

Don still tries to get in some hunting and fishing each year. The last few years he has been maple syruping in the early spring. It is something to keep him busy while he is waiting to get into the garden. With all the rain and heat, he's been really busy mowing the lawn. By the time he gets is all done, it's time to start again.

Due to our physical limitations, we are doing more of our garden- ing in raised beds each year.

Each year he also seems to plant a few more trees in the family orchard. If that doesn't keep him busy enough, through the spring and summer months he also incubates goose, duck, and chicken eggs for several of our Amish friends that live about 20 miles from us.

I've never been a big fan of the heat but this summer is really bad. If I work with the plants it has to be early in the AM or towards the evening. The last few weeks haven't been cool even then.



Evelyn & Don Enzenauer

So I occupy a good share of my time mending his clothes that get torn when the trees and shrubs attack him or doing needle work. I don't do a lot of reading this time of year but do more in the colder months. I spend some time doing word search and crossword puzzles. My great accomplishment is that I think I finally figured out Sudoku. I know it had to be a matter of logic. It took a little bit of trial and error, but I think I've pretty much got it now.

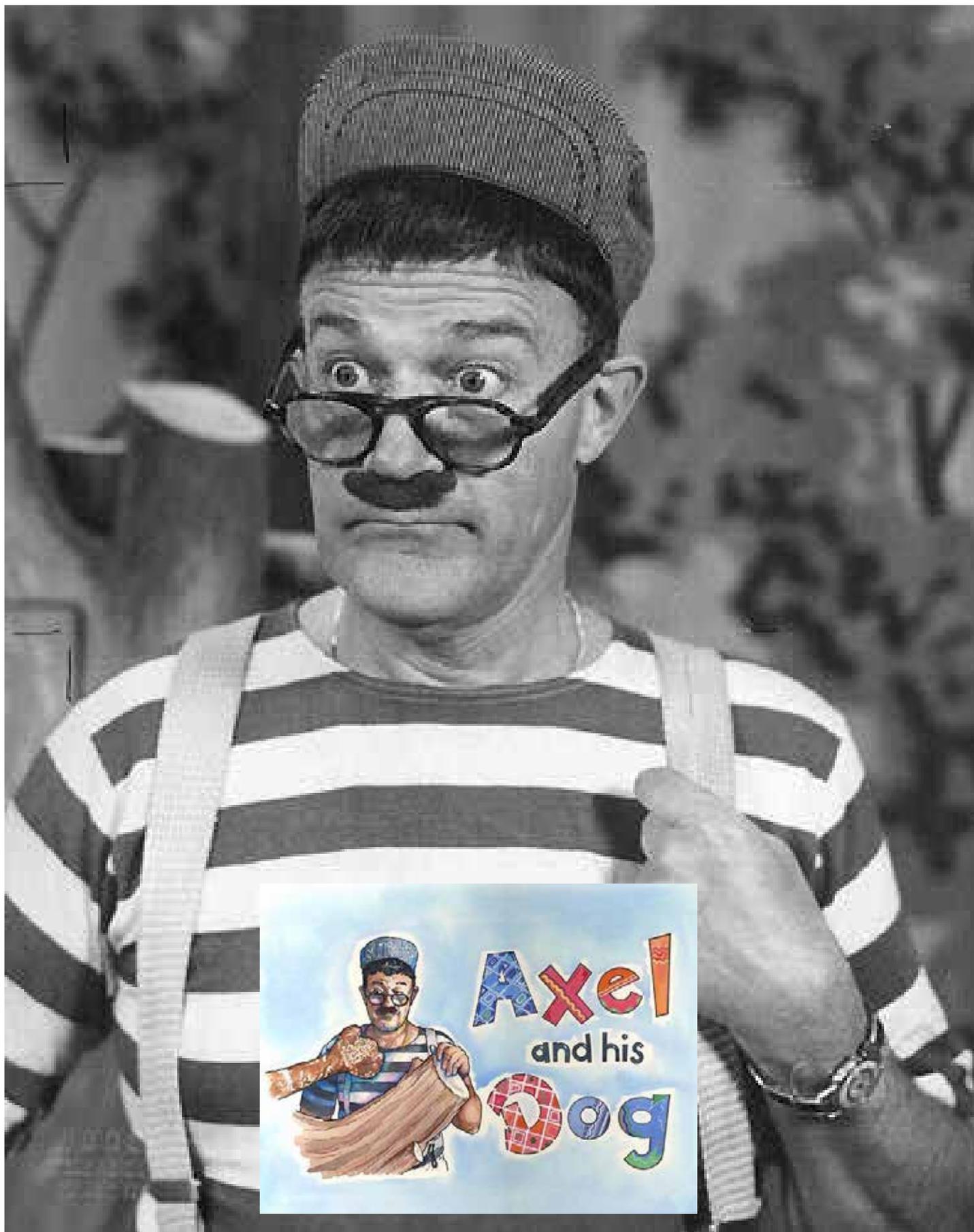
If everything goes according to schedule, by the time I see all of you August 18th in Owatonna, I will have a new left knee.

We look forward to seeing everyone there.

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Hotel Owatonna



If you grew up around a television set in the Twin Cities area during the late fifties you remember "Axel and His Dog" the most famous kids show in the history of local television. The show premiered on August 5th, 1954 and ran for the next 12 years. In January 1959, its rating was nearly three times that of the nearest competitor, American Bandstand. Clellan Card died of lymphoma in April 1966.

**FROM RONALD EUSTICE,
TUCSON, ARIZONA**



Ron and Margaret visit National Parks and historic sites during their trips from Minnesota to Arizona and vice versa. They are seen above at the Will Rogers Memorial Museum near Claremore, Oklahoma.

It has been a good year. Margaret and I spend nine months at our home in Tucson and the summer at our townhouse near Burnsville Center. We are extremely fortunate to be in good health and stay active.

We have two living children, Kevin, who earned a Ph.D at UCLA and works for Google in Seattle and AnnMarie, who graduated from the University of Minnesota and works for Amazon also in in Seattle. Kevin has a daughter, Sabine (6) who is our only grand child.

A year ago, we went on our second Viking Cruise; this time on the Danube from Prague to Budapest. In 2016, we traveled on the Danube from Bucharest to Budapest. By now we know that the Danube is not blue. We just returned from our third cruise, this time from St. Petersburg to Moscow on the Volga River. I spent most of August 2017 in Uruguay visiting host families with which I stayed in 1967/68 as an International 4-H Youth Exchange (IFYE) delegate. This was my 12th trip to Uruguay since I was there in 1967 as an exchange student.



Ron and Margaret in Moscow (July 2018) with the Kremlin and Red Square in background. They participated in a 12 day river cruise from St. Petersburg to Moscow.

In September, my Uruguayan host siblings Lydia and Hector Gabriel together with Hector's wife Nancy will come to the US. We will travel together from Burnsville to Tucson and see Mount Rushmore, Yellowstone Park, Mesa Verde, Grand Canyon, Saguaro National Park and more.



Lydia Gabriel, her daughter Carolina and Ron looking at a globe that Ron left with the Gabriel family in Uruguay during 1968.



I am seen above showing photographs to a Uruguayan young farmers club in 1968. Hector Gabriel is in the back row fourth from left, directly behind me. Hector, his wife Nancy and sister Lydia will visit the US in September.

I continue to work as a food quality and safety consultant. My activities include publishing an electronic monthly newsletter called *Food Irradiation Update* and maintaining a website at www.foodirradiation.org. In early August I spent three weeks in Pakistan on a US Agency for International Development (USAID) project to establish an Electron Beam irradiation facility in Karachi. The facility will use irradiation, the most effective and environmentally friendly technology available to eliminate harmful insect pests that can "hitch hike" on fruits destined for export to the US and other countries.

The highlight of the year will be in October at the World Dairy Expo in Madison, WI when I will receive the National Dairy Shrine Pioneer Award and be inducted into the National Dairy Hall of Fame.



Ron and Margaret at their home in Tucson Arizona. They have 1.3 acres with many sahuaro and cardon cacti, palm trees, aloes, agaves and various tropical plants.

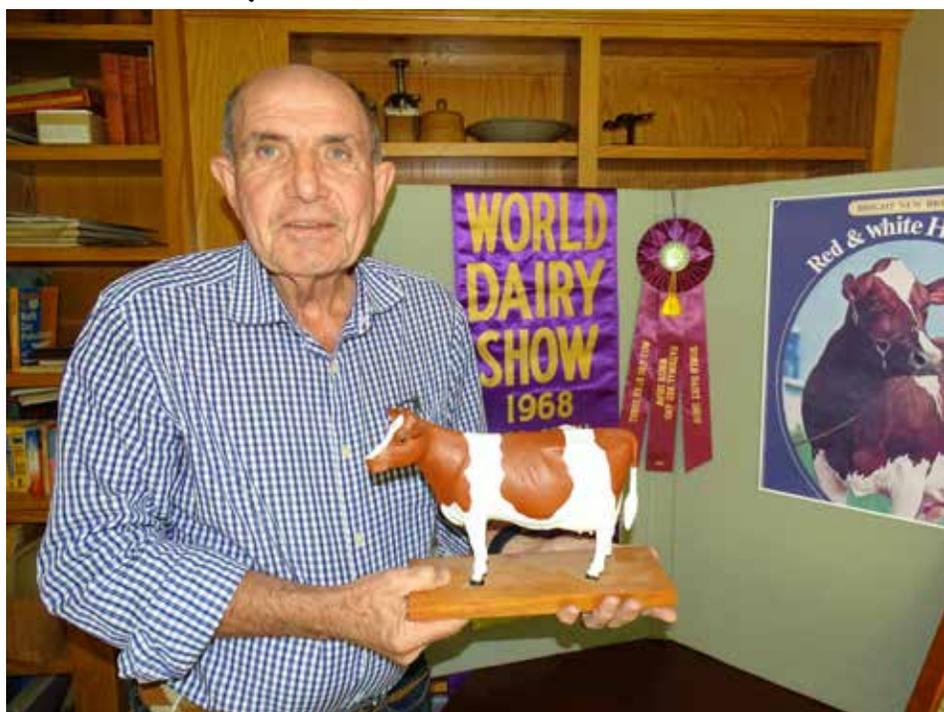
Ron Eustice elected to National Dairy Hall of Fame

National Dairy Shrine will honor five individuals on October 4th for their lifetime service with the coveted Pioneer Award during World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin. These gentlemen are outstanding representatives of the dairy industry. Their recognition as Pioneers of the National Dairy Shrine adds to the honor roll of leaders in the National Dairy Hall of Fame.

Ronald Eustice of Burnsville, Minnesota and Tucson, Arizona has dedicated more than 50 years of service to the dairy and beef industries. Ron was born in Waseca, Minnesota and received his schooling at Owatonna High School, the University of Minnesota and later received a Masters in Business Administration.

Ron started his career out of college with Successful Farming magazine as a marketing specialist. His talent was soon recognized by the breeding industry and he began a 7 year association with Carnation Genetics. First headquartered in Mexico where he directed sales and taught A.I. technique to dairyman in their Spanish language. Ron ultimately became General Manager of Carnation Genetics. In 1977 Ron became the International Marketing Director of American Breeders Service. Later in 1984 Mr. Eustice became the International Marketing Director for Land O' Lakes and was involved with technology transfer and farmer training in countries around the world including a three year assignment in Indonesia where he lectured in the Bahasa Indonesian language.

During his career, Ronald has represented the U.S. dairy industry in more than 80 countries. He has authored or co-authored multiple educational articles in national dairy and beef publications as well as several chapters in food safety text books.



Ron is shown above with Championship banner and ribbon won with one of his Red Holsteins at the 1968 World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin.

Ron was an early promoter of red and white dairy cattle. He purchased his first red and white dairy cow in 1963 when he was a college freshman working in the University of Minnesota dairy barn. This passion for the breed led him to be successful in the show ring as well. In 1968, he showed the first prize three year- old and Reserve Grand Champion at the first National Red and White Show at World Dairy Expo.

His passion for Red & White genetics has led him to author the most comprehensive book on the history of Red & Whites in the United States, "They Saw Red". His next book entitled "Polled Pioneers: History of Naturally Hornless Dairy Cattle in North America" will be the definitive text on U.S. polled gene history.

Ron served Minnesota beef and dairy producers for more than 22 years as Minnesota Beef Council Executive Director and developed the nation's first Dairy/Beef Quality Assurance training program.

Ron has worked as a translator and interpreter for numerous international guests during the World Dairy Expo since 2014 and is an international expert on food irradiation & food safety still traveling internationally most recently to Pakistan on a USAID project.



Dennis Eisen with his granddaughter at the Auto Museum at Steele County Fairgrounds. Dennis is still working as a ceramic tile contractor but plans on retiring in a few years.

FROM LINDA FLOM RASCHKE:



Linda's grandson's college graduation

Hi Classmates,

I have not been able to attend a reunion for a long time, and I have missed being able to reconnect with friends. I decided to share what I find important and hope that you are doing the same because I am interested in learning about you!

So here goes...Grandkids---Our oldest is Andrew. He graduated in May from Michigan State with a degree in Supply Chain Management from the School of Business. We enjoyed going to his graduation with Lisa, Kevin and Caitlyn, driving with them from Pittsburgh to East Lansing. Andrew has accepted a job with Target in downtown Minneapolis!!! We are so excited to have him living in MN!!! We flew back to PA in June to attend Caitlyn's high school graduation. Our other children and grandkids were all able to attend. My sister, Bonnie, and her daughter, Kate, even surprised us by coming for the weekend! We had a lot of fun. Caitlyn will be attending Dayton University in Dayton, Ohio pursuing a civil engineering degree.

We have 6 grandchildren--Andrew 21, Caitlyn 18, Our son, Laird, and his wife, Kris, have three children, Megan is 12, Evan 10, and Sam 8. Laird and Kris live in Sioux Falls, SD and are SDSU grads from Brookings, SD.

Our daughter, Lynne, and her husband, Scott have one son, Graham who is 9 years old. They live in Duluth and did their graduate work in Santa Cruz, California.

Our grandkids bring us great joy! We are so thankful that our family enjoys being together. Every summer we all spend a week together at Pelican Lake on County Road #3 near Crosslake. Our kids have thankfully taken it over and we enjoy being guests! Because my Dad died in his mid 60's and my Mom in her mid 70's I frequently ponder questions about many things rather than accomplish much activity! My happiest times include: our wedding, finally joining Lowell in Korea in 1966, the birth of our children in 1969, 1971, and 1975 and seeing how happy Mom and Dad were when I was inducted into Phi Kappa Phi in 1982.

I am concerned for our grandchildren. The world our grandchildren know is a very unkind place to navigate. It has become like a circus atmosphere filled with surprises at every turn. Not one conducive to developing respect for self and others.

As I shared in an earlier newsletter, I completed a 4 week program at Hazelden, Center City, MN in October, 1974 for chronic alcoholism. I relapsed in 1986, so had the great opportunity :-)) to attend another 4 week session at a different treatment center.



Linda's granddaughter's high school graduation

FROM LINDA FLOM RASCHKE:



Raschke Family (50th Anniversary)

Laird Raschke, Linda and Lowell, Lynne Rashke, Lisa Raschke Olson

When a friend said to me that she had never seen me drunk, it only meant I had become quite adept at hiding my disease. I am thankful for the support that Lowell, Mom, Dad, Bonnie and a few good friends gave me during the really tough times.

My parents were very active in the Owatonna AA community. Mental health issues often accompany a diagnoses of chemical/alcohol abuse. And I did get my share of depressive issues, eventually needing to have ECT's in 1998. I even had the misfortune of having my psychiatrist lose his license for his own drug abuse issues!

Lowell and I were very happy when Minnesota became one of the first states to support marriage equality. After all love is love. We have friends and family who share our joy and some who don't get it. The ones that do not understand have not really spent much time reading the New Testament. If one concentrates on the actions and words of Christ we see that it is money changers who are really the ones in trouble!!

Lowell has been given a diagnosis of Lewy Body disease. It has progressed very slowly so far and for that we are most thankful. He has been my caregiver this past year as I have recovered from a redo of a 15 year old total knee replacement; a cervical fusion; and a lumbar fusion.

I believe that many of you will think or perhaps say to others that openly sharing as I have in this newsletter is not OK. Well, I believe we have a very few precious years left to honestly talk about important things. I hope that my frankness is just seen as me being me. I hope the same for all of you--be yourself, every other role is already spoken for!

One more thing, do not offer me a wine cooler, I used to really like them. I know I have another slip possibility in me...I do not know if I have the strength for another recovery. It is really, really hard work and I am getting tired.

Much Love,

Linda Flom Raschke

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Mary Helen and Ray Pelton in Hawaii

A few reflections: What a privilege it was to see so many of you at the gathering in Owatonna after these fifty five years. Though we have been scattered throughout the world in the intervening years, we have all traveled the same Circle of Life. Retired from our work, we travel; spend more time with family; reinvent ourselves as authors, photographers, artists, care givers and world class volunteers; pursue our favorite hobbies whether it is music, cooking, sports, reading or just hanging out. We are really something, we the class of 63. Who would have known?



"This is Ray's and my last "round up," so to speak. Mary Helen is collecting the last balsam boughs for their custom wreath business. The wreaths required us to stay in Minnesota until after Thanksgiving. After three very scary blizzards, ice storms, and skidding and digging our way to Arizona for the winter, we decided to go in October and sip Margaritas on the patio. And, of course, look for our javelina buddies.



Part of the Pelton's family in Hawaii

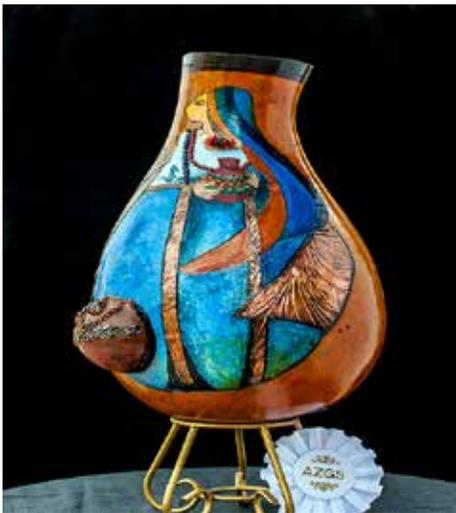


A javelina looks like a wild pig but he is really a peccary. Aren't you glad you know that. You can impress your friends at the next party with this profound knowledge. Actually the javelina is very fond of carrots and decided to join us in the house one afternoon when we left the patio door open. And that my friends is a whole story in itself!!



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As our circle keeps turning, I wish for each of you and your families, good health, joy, love, deep and continuing fulfillment.

I try to live according to the great wisdom of some person I've forgotten, "Blessed are they that can laugh at themselves, for they shall never cease to be amused." Make time for laughter and love for now is the time of greatest fulfillment.

Mary Helen Pelton
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Mary Helen with a fetish Zuni bear made from turquoise and gourd

I have not pursued my great athletic prowess, since I have none. That hasn't changed since high school. But my husband and I have reinvented ourselves as artists. You'll see some of our work pictured on this page. It is so much more fun to write occupation: ARTIST on all

those forms rather than Superintendent of Schools. We've even won some awards for our work which sure beats falling on your face on the tennis court.

Mary Helen & Ray Pelton
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FROM JOHN HUDRLIK:

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Sorry I missed the 50th reunion. My wife Kim of 42 years passed during that time.

Living out in the desert by yourself is not good and I have since remarried to Verna for the last 3 years Nice California girl but she was a professional staging consultant for houses and condos and now takes her decorating ideas out on me. She had me build her a shed out of old pallets for her outdoor equipment and caused me to replace our floors with hardwood and redo the bathrooms between my replacements of both knees and left shoulder.

John Hudrlik

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John Hudrlik's shed made from discarded wood pallets.



Logandale, Nevada

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John & Verna Hudrlik

After graduation I joined the Navy where I was sent to several schools and ended up calibrating and repairing electronic test equipment and high end radio and radar gear. I spent 3 1/2 years on the USS Grand Canyon where we alternated between Newport R.I. and Naples, Italy, Toulon, France and Malta, Spain.

After a stint in San Diego I returned to civilian life and hired on to work for Northwestern Bell in their toll dept. Life was good, I got married, had a son and daughter, and worked up to an engineer position at Bell. Eleven years later Bell was being torn apart and my job was moving to Chicago. My wife, Kim, and I always liked it better out west and we decided it would be an opportunity time to check it out.

After looking for a motel to buy we happened to stop in at a small town outside of Las Vegas and the real estate lady told me that the local phone company was looking for someone to redo their phone system. The company only had 5 employees so I not only had to engineer and order parts I ended up doing the installation of two central offices and a toll link.

In later years we put in fiber and digital switches throughout. In the interim I had an internet service company (ISP) which I later sold to the telephone company.

Throughout all of this I ran my side company KIMFAB inc. gradually acquiring enough machinery to equip my shop. See <http://www.kimfab.com/> I retired at 62 to go full time with KIMFAB and do a little traveling.

Now settled down in Logandale, Nevada where I'm on the board of the Moapa Valley TV Dist. and current post commander of American Legion Post 75.



Logandale, Nevada



Above: Jon Simon, Ralph and Gladys Schroht, Mary Carstensen.

Left: Mary O and Jim Horn, Bev Simon.

Below: Jon Simon, Ralph and Gladys Schroht, Curt Krause, Mary Carstensen, Tom Kuntz, Joel Knippel.



2017 Steele County Free Fair



After graduating from OHS, I auditioned and was given a position in the Women's Army Corps Band (US Army), which was in its day one of the finest bands in the world, like today's Washington D.C. military bands. It was disbanded in 1976 when men's and women's bands were merged. I then moved back to Minnesota to continue my college education. The National Guard Band recruited me back into the military. Later PAO (Public Affairs) had been using me as a photo-journalist, so I transferred to PAO, retiring from military in 1999 with 27 years of service. I have played with many professional and community music and other groups including the following:

- 1). Conductor/Artistic Director: St. Anthony Civic Orchestra (43 years)
- 2). Conductor/Coordinator: Minnesota TubaChristmas (30 years)
- 3). Solo Cornet/Deputy Bandmaster: Lakewood Brass Band
- 4). Bass Guitar: Golden Tones Dance Band
- 5). Trumpet/Flugelhorn: Twin Cities Trumpet Ensemble
- 6). Solo Cornet/Euphonium: Sheldon Theater Brass Band
- 7). Trombone/euphonium/conductor Minneapolis trombone Choir
- 8). Composer/Arranger of over 500 works for orchestra, band choir, ensembles.
- 9). Owner/Editor: CMJensen Publications
- 10). Photo-Journalist: Northeaster newspaper
- 11). Board of Directors: St. Anthony-Salo, Finland Sister City Assn.
- 12). Trustee/Photographer: St. Anthony Historical Society
- 13). Member of St. Anthony Kiwanis
- 14). Free Lance: Musician, Photographer

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University of MN Graduate Orchestra trombone section (July 28, 2016)



Playing cornet with Sheldon Theater Brass Band

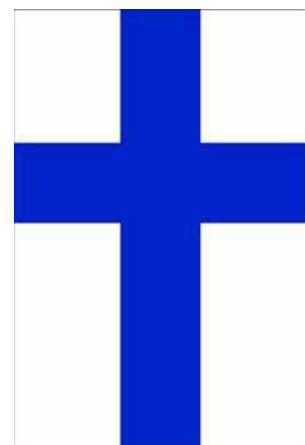


Playing horn with Twin Cities Horn Club making recording for BBC Prom

*At right: Carol Jensen
TubaChristmas Conductor
We usually have over 150 players of
tuba family of instruments, euphoni-
um, baritone, sousaphone, and tuba
and play to a packed house audience.*



Conducting St Anthony Civic Orchestra and St Anthony High School Choir performing Sibelius Finlandia. Nov. 5, 2017.



With my friend Sauli Niinistö, the president of Finland on Sept 22, 2017.



Dick & Nancy (Karaus) Johannsen

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Our grandsons - Leyton, 11 (soccer/percussion). Javan, 12 (a good year for baseball not so much with basketball).

We continue to help the underserved through Habitat for Humanities, PADS, and local shelters for women, Mirror Lake State Park and two historical societies. Our travel was limited to the states this past year. My mom (93) lives in Olympia, WA so much of our travel is in that direction.

Thankfully our good health allows us to remain active keeping up the 1930's Wisconsin cottage and our home north of Chicago.

Liberty ships receive a full carload of OTC wrenches in 1942



This photo was taken in 1942 and pictures Ave Kaplan, Vice President of Owatonna Tool Co, Don Kaplan, Production Manager and Robert Barnard, Secretary-Treasurer of the company standing before a rail car loaded with 40,000 pounds of wrenches, manufactured by OTC consigned to the Joshua Hendy Iron Works, Sunnyvale, California. The car, seen in the photo, was bearing a huge sign which, not only showing that America is building ships for victory, gave Owatonna and Steele County a nationwide billing as the car traveled almost the full breadth of the country. (PN Photo)

FROM JOEL KNIPPEL:

I hope it's been a good year for you and that you're doing well.

We just finished the 48th year of the Crosslake July 4th Holiday fireworks celebration and the 3rd year doing it from the barge. It's been a real good attraction and is probably one of the nicest displays in northern MN. In fact we received so many positive comments saying that this was the best display ever. So many local residents are involved and it's an event of local pride. I still haven't been able to see the full display myself but did catch just a little bit between the trees once it got going.

The full time population in Crosslake is about 2,400 but that increases to around 25,000 during the summer months so it draws quite a crowd.

I've had another busy year I'm sure like many of you. The contracting business keeps me quite active locally. I did build a real nice custom home in Crosslake that just recently sold. Prior to the sale Jerry Carstensen and Jon Simon drove to Crosslake to visit for a day.

The attached picture is of Jon and me in the custom home prior to the sale. And I was able to make it to the annual "Back to the 50's" car show again at the MN State Fairgrounds in June. It's always nice seeing the beautiful cars and visiting with friends.

Nina and I wish everybody the best and we're looking forward to seeing many of you at our 55th class reunion.

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Joel Knippel and Jon Simon on a visit in Crosslake, Minnesota





Jan and Jerry at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

From Janice Krampitz Lewison:

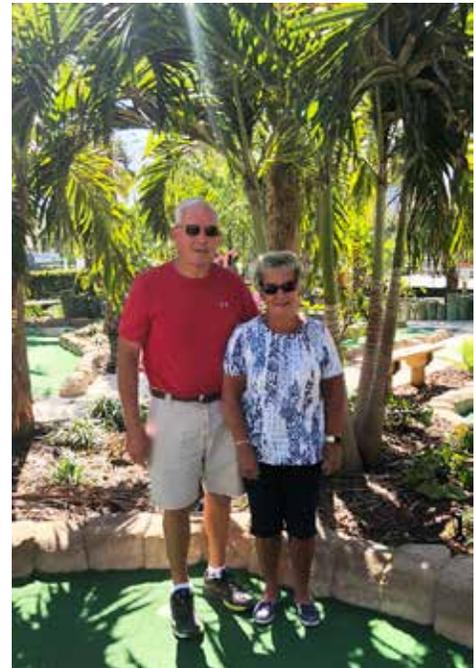
Jerry and I are blessed with good health and enjoy our winters in Ft. Myers and summers watching our two grandsons play baseball. Our granddaughter is on the OHS varsity golf team and so we get to enjoy her accomplishments. We hate to miss any events that our grandchildren are involved in as they are growing up quickly. Since the last reunion we have vacationed in Paris and took a wonderful Civil War tour of the battlefields last September. Jerry stays active serving on the Steele County Historical Board, helping our son-in-law farm, and serving on the VFW honor guard. I stay busy with playing in 3 mahjong groups, book club, Woman's Club, and volunteering at the history center. It's good to be busy and thankful for every healthy day.

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Steele County History Center

Jan and Jerry Lewison stay active at the Steele County History Center. Jerry serves on the board and Jan works as a volunteer.



Jerry and Jan in Ft. Myers, Florida

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Judy Kjos Drevlow

FROM JUDY KJOS DREVLOW:

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Jerry and I are enjoying the good life in our 19th year of retirement in Owatonna. We keep busy maintaining our two acres of property while finding time for walking our two English bulldogs, bike riding, pickleball, bowling in two leagues, gardening, and of course, trips to casinos!

Also, in recent years, five of us classmates began to take time to enjoy "Girls Lunch Out" at local restaurants every three months or so to share photos and stories of family activities, life experiences, and lots of reminiscing of days gone by. Nancy Newgard, Julie Knapp, Jan Hoberg and I are missing the smile and hugs from our fifth dear friend Carole Nordlie. What a wonderful friend she was to all of us...We needed to voice our tribute in her memory. Lunches will continue...

Judy Kjos Drevlow
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FROM CURTIS KRAUSE:

I am approaching 48 years of marriage to my wife, Karen, my life has been wonderful! We are the parents of 3 children; Heather (Dion), Nathan (Jennifer) and Meghan, we also enjoy our 4 grandchildren, Spencer (16), Ella (13), Evan (12) and Lauren (10).

We have loved watching our children grow up, all three graduating from Gustavus Adolphus College and going on for advanced degrees after that. More importantly, they are kind and caring people and have been a joy in our lives! We currently spend a lot of time attending games, concerts, plays and other activities with the grandchildren. Karen and I have both retired but continue to work part time because we love what we do and feel that work keeps the mind and body active; a key for longevity. Our hobbies include participating on various boards with Curt enjoying golf and Karen's immersion in art activities.

We travel around the United States once or twice a year and spend a lot of time at our lake home on Cannon by Faribault. We continue to love living on the farm; the beauty and serenity is unmatched. Our faith is important to us and we both are active in our churches. Thanks to those classmates whose efforts and work allows us to stay connected. As each year passes, those associations become more important!

Curt Krause
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Judy Kjos Drevlow, Carole Soukup Nordlie, Nancy Schmanski Newgard, Janet Klemmer Hoberg, Julie Klemmer Knapp.





Note from Mayor Tom Kuntz:

Owatonna continues to grow. We have a new apartment complex south of HY-Vee which has 36 units. We have a new apartment complex being built on Pearl Street which is 36 units and has underground parking. This is located east of the Zamboni building. We have another one being built behind the Owatonna Shoe Store and on the former Lindekugel Chevrolet building site. This will be a five story 54 unit apartment complex. We have a new Ace Hardware store which is built where the old Arnold House was located. Torey's Restaurant is taking over the old Ace Hardware building so we will have a great restaurant in our downtown area. We have a developer looking at the block from Floor and Frenzy to the old Jerry's Restaurant location of bringing in a Hilton hotel with a name brand restaurant. The walking and bicycle trail is now hard surface from one end of town to the other. We have also received funding to finish Highway 14 from two lanes to four lanes from Owatonna to Dodge Center. Owatonna is a great community and continues to stay on the move.



Mayor Tom Kuntz



Tom & Shelby Kuntz at the Steele County Fair (August 2018)



Mayor Tom Kuntz in the Memorial Day Parade (2018)



Question from Paul Lian: If a cash prize is awarded to a '63 classmate, who travels the furthest to attend the reunion, who wins, Paul Daffinrud or me? Rand McNally tells me Phoenix is 1,783 miles away. Buckeye, AZ is 1,744 miles away. I win, Paul Daffinrud loses. Follow-up question: Logandale, NV; Palo Alto, CA; Oro Valley, AZ; Rio Verde, AZ; Tucson, AZ?

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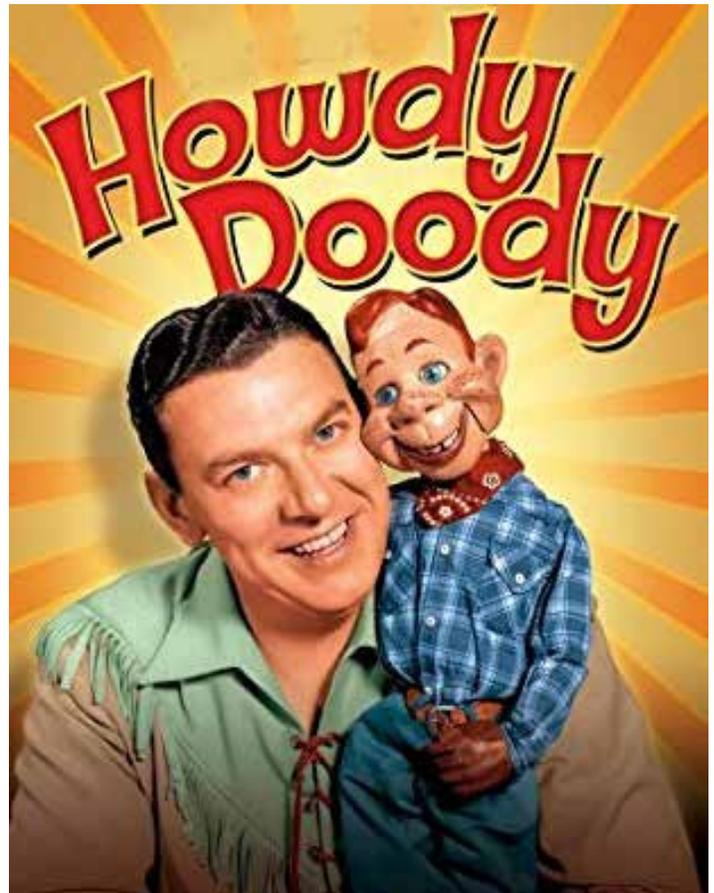


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FROM HELMER & KATHY JOHNSON LEMBKE

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We continue to live on Lake Francis in Elysian, MN. Lots of memories have been shared with our three children, their spouses, eight grandchildren, and continues with our four great-grandchildren. We have taken a few fun road trips since our 50th class reunion. The journey continues and we are thankful for good health so far. Can't believe how fast these 5 years have gone and look forward to making more memories at our 55th reunion.

Helmer & Kathy (Johnson) Lembke
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Lake Francis: Helmer and Kathy's back yard



Kathy and Helmer's little ones fishing on Lake Francis



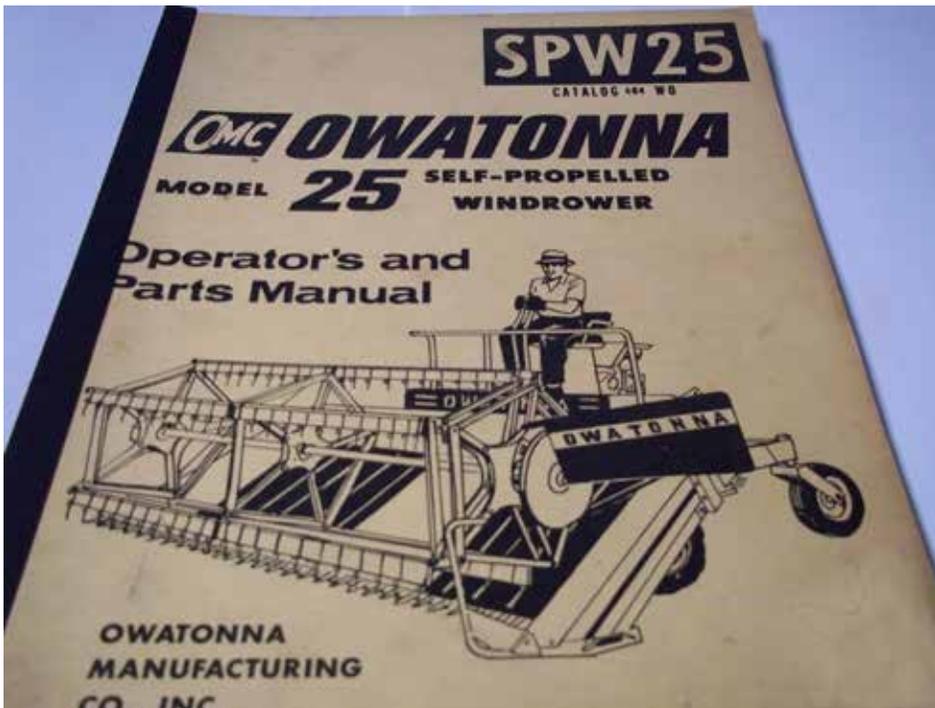


The Owatonna Manufacturing Company was started in 1865 as a partnership between Michael F. Lowth and Thomas J. Howe, the firm name being Lowth & Howe. In 1873, H. N. LaBare purchased one-half of Mr. Lowth's interest, and the firm continued until 1878 under the name of Lowth, Howe & LaBare. At this time, Mr. Lowth disposed of his interest, and the name was changed to Howe & Co. On August 20, 1888, the company was Farmers soon recognized the OMC paint colors of red and lime green on grain drills, seeders, elevators and balers.

In 1928, OMC began making portable farm elevators in 1928 after purchasing the Diedrich Company. Indeed, for a while OMC continued the production of the Diedrich (even under the Diedrich name). In 1965, OMC introduced their first "Mustang" skid steer.

In 1997 Mustang was separated from OMC and sold to the Gehl Corporation. OMC, itself was sold to the Manitou Americas Inc., a French company.

Source: *History of Rice & Steele Counties, Minnesota, Illustrated, Vol. II; Compiled by Franklin Curtiss-Wedge (1910) transcribed by Susan Geist.*



Helmer Lembke worked at Owatonna Manufacturing Company during the late 1960s. One of Helmer's jobs involved development of operator's manuals such as the one above.



Early photo of Owatonna Manufacturing Company headquarters.



Owatonna Self-Propelled Windrower

FROM

SALLY LEWIS WILSON:

Ken and I still live in Jacksonville and are lucky to have our two boys living in town as well. We have two beautiful grandchildren now Clare Marie is 2 1/2 and Reid is 5 months now. We are very busy helping take care of the children. Time passes so quickly and so much has happen since I last saw everyone. I wish I could come this year but Ken has cancer and we are busy keeping up with new treatments and focusing on getting well.

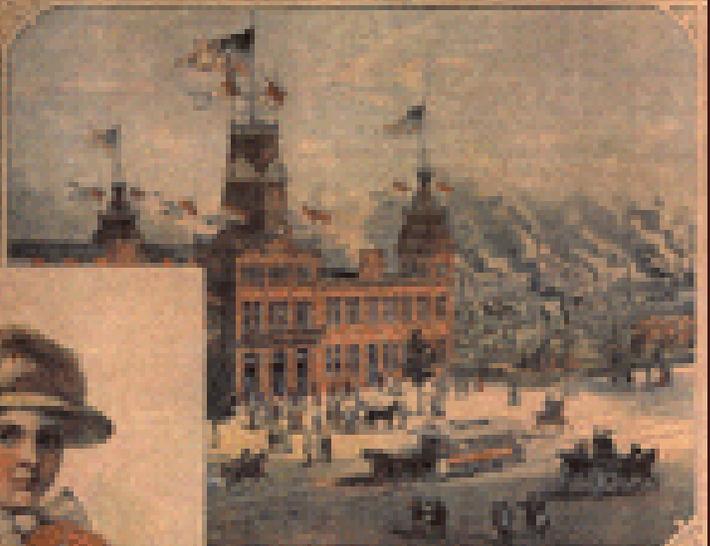
I will raise a glass the night of the reunion and wish everyone well.

Thanks,

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Editor's Note: Sally Lewis Wilson's husband passed away August 22nd. Our sympathies go out to Sally and her family. May he rest in peace.

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We celebrated our 50th anniversary on a trip to beautiful Croatia and Montenegro.

Melissa McClintock Carlson

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Croatia, Macedonia and former Yugoslavian provinces; now all independent countries.



Country Singer Kenny Chesney's Falcon 900 EX jet parked on the ramp at the Owatonna Degner Regional Airport. The plane was brought in when Kenny was performing at a concert in Minneapolis. The guitar leaning against the palm tree on the tail of the aircraft is Kenny's trademarked logo. The call letters shown on the starboard engine include his initials...N7KC. The price of this aircraft new is about \$39 million.

FROM BOB & KIM MOE



During the winters, we live at Hunters Ridge Country Club (villa) at Bonita Springs, Florida, so I play golf three times a week, and still try to get in some tennis. Kim spends time with good friends and enjoys “Consignment” shopping!

In Minnesota we live on Tenmile Lake near Hackensack and have great friends that we go boating with. There is nothing better than a beautiful sunset on the Gulf of Mexico or Tenmile Lake!

Retirement is Great!

Bob Moe

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Twins Spring Training Camp

We have lived in Hunters Ridge Country Club (villa) at Bonita Springs, Florida for 18 winters. Bonita Springs is 20 minutes away from the Twins training camp in Ft. Myers, FL.

“Time with God adds years to your life!!”

FROM LORRI MULLENMASTER KNEELAND



We are really enjoying our retirement lifestyle, traveling the southland every winter. We leave Brainerd in October and head back to Minnesota the first week in May, so we are gone for 7 months. Our motor coach has become our major home, with the house in Brainerd becoming our summer home, so we recently changed our residency to South Dakota. No more Minnesota income or estate taxes, yeah! We visit a lot of friends and relatives in our travels, but are also learning more about this beautiful country that we live in.

Mike and Lorri Kneeland
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OWATONNA HIGH SCHOOL MUSEUM

There is an Owatonna High School alumni group of volunteers focused on the OHS Museum which is located in the lobby of the high school. Shown below is the mission statement.

The purpose of the museum is to preserve the history and traditions of Owatonna High School. Since 1992, the OHS Museum at Owatonna High School has evolved into an interesting mix of professionally showcased memorabilia. Over 4,000 museum items - some from as far back as 1877 - have been donated by more than 650 OHS graduates, faculty, and community members. A volunteer advisory committee acts as administrators for the museum.

If you go to their website (shown below) you will be able to see upcoming class reunions (including our reunion), open up the Spring/Summer 2018 newsletter, read a short history of OHS, and contribute if you so desire.

<https://ohsmuseum.wixsite.com/mysite>



A PAPER DRIVE was conducted throughout Steele county last Friday by most of the 840 county 4-H members in 29 Clubs to help former 4-H'er Ronald Eustice, 21, of Deerfield township and Route 3, Waseca, raise \$500 needed to finance his coming trip as an International Farm Youth Exchange student. Four-H members and leaders are shown here unloading paper north of the game and fish building at the county fairgrounds in Owatonna. At left is Associate County Agent Larry Tande. Eustice, now a senior at the University of Minnesota majoring in agricultural journalism, was named an IFYE delegate the past week and will know in mid-December where he will take his six-months trip, with his tentative information being that it will be somewhere in South America. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Eustice of Route 3, Waseca. (PN Photo)

Photo News (November 1966)



Waseca Journal (November 1966)



Little Red Brick School House Kindergarten Class (1950)

Row One; Kathy Pobanz, Richard Northrop, Nancy Bennett, Marian Pechacek, Janice Krampitz, Nancy Schmansky. Darlene Truhlar, Bill Stransky, ___???, Ernie Wallace.

Row Two: Danny Woodrich, Joel, Janet Klemmer, John Mogenson, Shirley Lurken, ___?___ Nelson, John Arndt, ___?___.

Row Three: Ronald Heap, Julie Klemmer, ___???, Eula Conrath. Thanks to Kathy Pobanz Schuster for sharing this photo.



*Roosevelt Elementary School, Owatonna
(Sixth Grade Class 1957)*

You'll recognize a lot of our high school classmates in the picture. We believe that the lady in the back row with the dark dress and white collar is Dorothy Smith. Her obituary is in this update. Photo: Courtesy of Jim Randers



Roger Tenney & Paul Lian

"You know you're from Owatonna if you know Roger Tenney"

**FROM: DAVID NELSON,
MEDFORD, MN**

FROM FLORICE NELSON LIETZKE



Enjoying the retirement years! My career was with Federated Insurance for thirty-six years. Our three children have blessed us with nine grandchildren and our third great-grandchild is expected at the time of this reunion. My wife, Lois, and I have been married for over fifty years. We've hosted twelve exchange students over the years which means we have extended family around the world with frequent visitors and we, too, have places to go! I enjoy fishing around this area, but I like to get up north as often as we can. Also I spend time wood-working and making things for family members. Enjoy the celebration!

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Our life is full and we are blessed with good health. We spend 6 months in Colorado and 6 months in Arizona; a gypsy life which we love.

is a junior in high school and has just returned from a mission trip to Haiti. We are proud of them all and treasure our times together!

We enjoy walking, going to movies, boating, volunteering and enjoy spending time with family and friends wherever we are!!

We are looking forward to connecting with classmates in August.

Florice and John Lietzke
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Our grandchildren are growing up way too fast: Abraham is 21 and lives in Denver; Carly is 20 and is a junior at Colorado State University, Ft Collins, CO; Harry is 19 and a sophomore at Baylor University in Waco, Tx; Anna



**FROM JIM RANDERS,
AFTON, MN**



Jim Randers & Jan Storebo

Greetings all,

I hope everyone has had a fine five years since the last gathering. Jan and I feel busier now than when we both worked, we were thinking of going back to work to slow down ... not really.

I can't believe it's another quinquennial and I am writing yet another "what's up" letter. It's good to be busy and have friends, we can't slow time down so we might as well enjoy the speed of life.

I finally wrote a book on my tour of duty in the Air Force during Viet Nam. I was not in Viet Nam, I was combat and survival trained for ground radar in Nam, or Laos or Cambodia but missed it all by one number and got Alaska. I was stationed at 5 different bases and sites in 3.5 years including Myrtle Beach, SC - a tourist haven, Fort Yukon AL, north of the Arctic Circle, eight miles with 600 Athabaskan Indians. Finally, Fallon, NV. I got out in February of 1969. It was crazy times, a wild ride, well worth writing about from a stateside point of view, Russia was our real threat, especially in Alaska.

My wife, Jan, is so happy spring finally arrived even though a month late with a flimsy excuse, Canada. It's safe to blame Canada for most everything climate related that's bad. She is in hyper drive now trying to get every weed out of the ground and new plant life along with the perennials back to color & beauty on our gray spring earth. She will be the next president of the Washington County Horticulture Society which includes Afton, where we live.

We sold our 2nd house in Maiden Rock, WI after 14 years. Life is simpler now and we both like that. We miss being on the Mississippi but we can see the St. Croix from our house and that's just fine with us.

I sold my last motorcycle, a Harley V-Rod, after 50 years of riding as I had an eye stroke and lost the vision in my right eye. It was time to let go. I had my fun, no regrets but it was hard to watch someone drive off with my last bike. My one and only highway accident happened when I was 16, in Owatonna on S. Cedar St., just outside of town. I walked away from that one with shredded skin, on my right leg and right arm, major pain. I learned big time from that fall and never had another one on the highways and byways of America.

We are still alive and kickin' I'm glad to report, hope you all are too. Enjoy the ride we only get to go on it once.

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Jim Randers and his dog Jackie in 1953



Jim & Jan at home in Afton, Minnesota

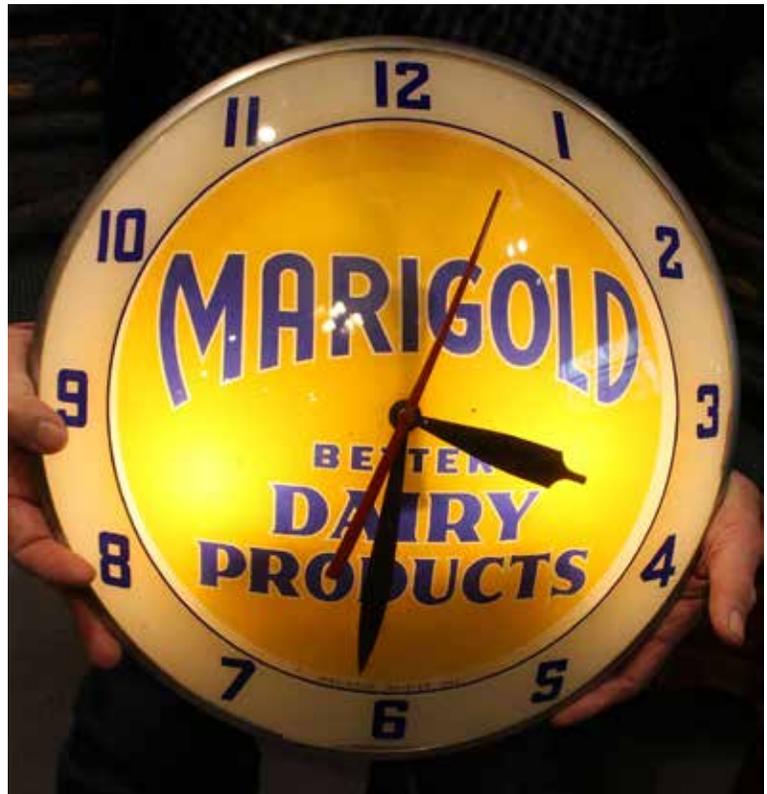


Autumn Elizabeth (Age 2 1/2)

My beautiful little Granddaughter is now 2.5 years old, Autumn Elizabeth. She is outgoing, inquisitive and a bundle of joy. Her first notable words, as she was walking up the three steps to her home, in the winter, "Uffda Uffda Uffda Uffda Uffda", till she got to the third step. Amazing, that settles it, DNA is a stronger influence than environment!!! We really don't know where she heard that word?



I called him "Bartsie". Harold Bartsch delivered Marigold products to Owatonna grocery stores and restaurants for 45 years. Upon his retirement, Mayor John McGaheeran proclaimed the day as "Harold Bartsch Day". He passed away at age 90. (submitted photo) *Harold Bartsch was the father of Noel Bartsch.*



**FROM JUDY REESE
KRETLOW**

**Judy (Reese) Kretlow
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Owatonna is still our home and two of our three children still live here also. We do volunteering but following our six grandkids and their sports keeps us really busy. We recently were with our family to celebrate birthdays, Father's Day, our anniversary, and the engagement of our grandson and his fiancée. The picture at right shows our three children and their spouses, six grandchildren, one of the grandsons girlfriend, and the fiancée of our other grandson.

Judy (Reese) Kretlow
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The Judy & Elde Kretlow Family



This is a preliminary drawing of a proposed redevelopment project in downtown Owatonna. This is on Cedar between Vine and Pearl streets. The corner building is the former Jerry's Supper Club and to the left of that was the State Theatre. The high rise building is the proposed hotel.



Two Fatboys, one a 1945 model; the other from 1994.



Art in Bloom at Minneapolis Institute of Art. Flowers, painting, and a "casual observer."



Still singing-along after all these years.

FROM MARC REIGEL

I'm so glad I moved back to Minnesota to be closer to family and friends in 2013 after a 25-year sojourn in Ohio. My two daughters and their families (four grandchildren) live nearby, and I have the best time playing Poppy with those kids. My son lives in Portland, OR, with his son, and we get to see one another a couple times a year. I'm retired from a career in education which included twenty years of classroom teaching and twenty years as an education consultant, working with school personnel to improve both instruction and student performance. I'm glad I had a career, not just a job, which focused on helping both adolescents and adults learn, apply, and value important educational principles. I still have a strong interest in music, especially playing "old time rock & roll" at sing-alongs. But I also have come to appreciate classical music, jazz, and world music. I enjoy biking, motorcycling, walking, attending plays, concerts, performances, museums, and feel lucky about—as Jackson Browne once sang—being "Alive in the World." *Marc Reigel*



Two of my grand children playing piano with Poppy.

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FROM KAREN RYSHAVY HOHRMAN

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FUN IN PHOENIX:

Paul Lian, Paul Daffinrud and Curt Utpadel at Chase Field Plaza in Phoenix during Arizona Diamondback pre-game activities.

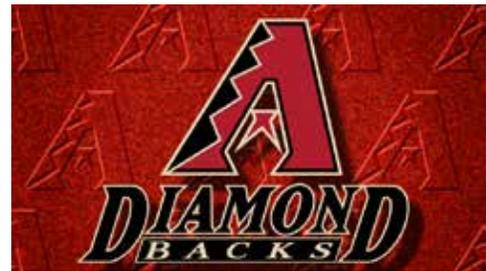
Following graduation from high School, I stayed in Owatonna area. I worked for Jostens for 17 years, then worked 17 years for SPX Corp.

In October 1965, I married Hans Hohrman. We will be married 53 years this October. We are enjoying retirement and spend a few months in Arizona during winter plus camping in Minnesota during summer followed by trips to the North Shore in the fall. I spend time sewing, canning, making homemade sauerkraut, plus playing cards in a 500 club.

I spend time following Hans while he entertains with his accordion locally and surrounding towns. I never thought I'd be traveling along but I am loving it. I enjoy seeing the reactions and responses of residents to the old time music. Some don't talk but sure can sing. Hans also does special engagements including the Steele County Fair and senior dances.

I am very close to our nieces and nephews and spend lots of time with them and their families.

Karen Ryshavy Hohrman



Post Office; Owatonna, Minnesota

FROM ROGER REHMAN:

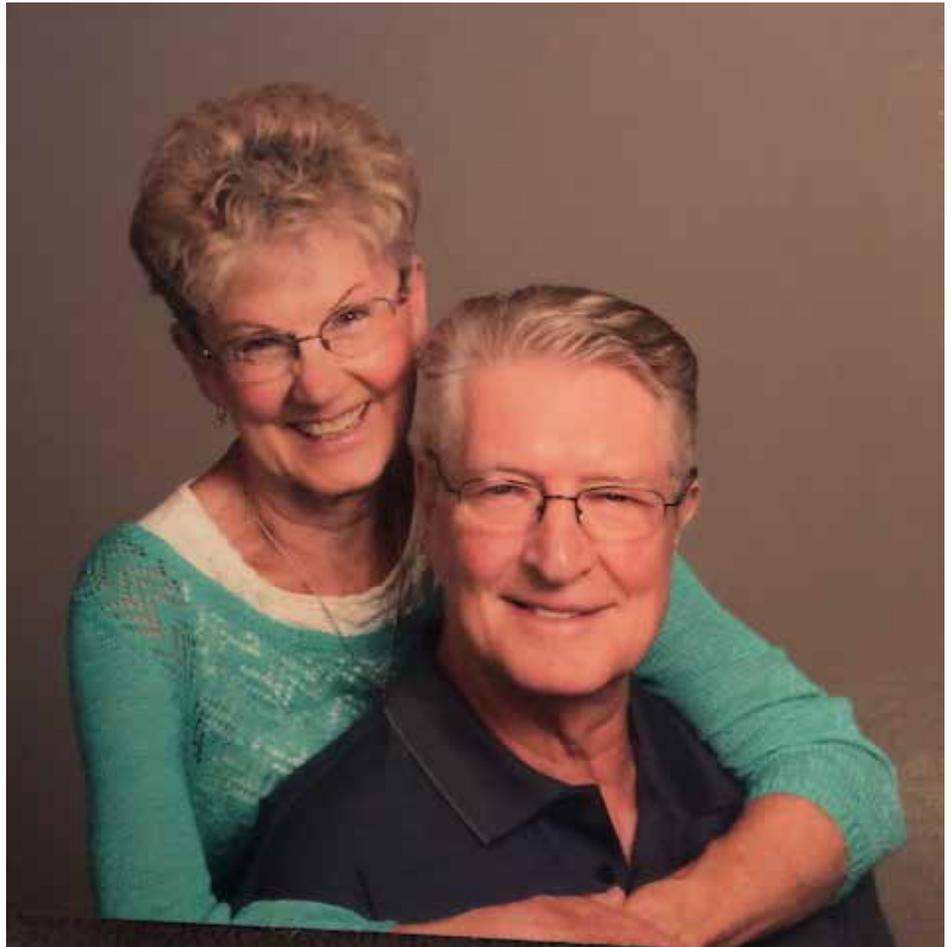
I retired in 2011 and never looked back. I cut and split wood with our son as we both burn it.

This September Diane & I will celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary. We have five grandsons and are great grandparents to a little girl. We love spoiling all of them.

We do a lot of traveling with some friends and enjoy that. I enjoy retirement and should have done it years ago!

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Diane and Roger Rehman



Ralph and Gladys Schroht

RALPH SCHROHT

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I continue to fish when possible and my wife Gladys loves painting ceramics and baking all sorts of goodies. I keep busy keeping the yard work done which sometimes feels like a full time job. Our lives are not very exciting but we love living it to the fullest!

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CONNIE RICHMOND DRAVELING

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After a 30 year career as a Research Scientist in Protein Function for Thermo Fisher Scientific, I retired in Hudson, Wisconsin. Hudson borders Minnesota on the St.Croix River and is close to everything in the Twin Cities. My son's family lives there. I have five grandsons; three in Hudson, two in California. All are very active in sports - football, wrestling and baseball.

Golfing is a summer pastime and often includes lessons for the grandsons. Winter escapes are to Naples, Florida and sometimes the Southwest...Sedona, Santa Fe, and Scottsdale. Traveling has been a big part of my life. Have been to forty-nine states, and fifteen countries.

I have several US and international patents related to protein purification and stabilization and had the opportunity to present one of those at the Pasteur Institute in Paris. I attended a conference in Edinburgh, Scotland where the opening ceremonies were held at night in the Edinburgh Castle. Quite a spectacular event!!! Couldn't leave Scotland without a side trip to the Home of Golf, the Old Course, in St Andrews.



Left to Right: Connie, Monica (daughter-in-law), Leo (son), grandsons Ben, August & Grant.

I have been taking one grandson on a trip each year. Just returned from a sightseeing excursion to San Francisco with my oldest (16) grandson. Another frequent destination is Petaluma, California to visit my daughter's family. Petaluma is in the southern foothill region of Sonoma's wine country. Life is busy, filled with amazing experiences and I have an extraordinary family!

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FROM JUDY SANDSTROM:

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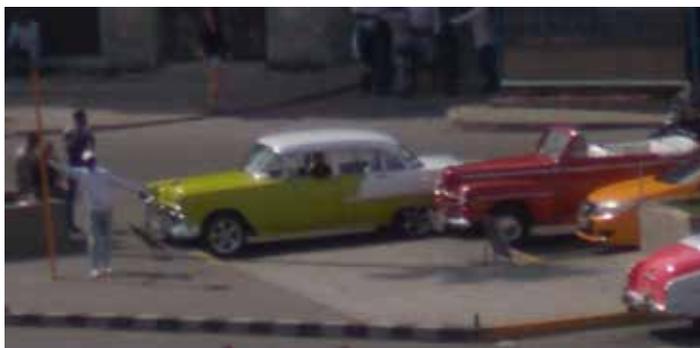
In January 2018, Peter and I took a week's cruise in the Western Caribbean. We chose that one because it had a stop in Havana, Cuba. Before that stop, we took an excursion to Rio Secreto, a park near Playa del Carmen, Mexico. There are some 27 miles of caves connected by underground rivers. Each tour covers only a small part of the area. We wore our swimsuits, and the park supplied water shoes, wetsuits, life jackets, helmets with lights, and tall walking sticks. Unlike the cave of the Thai rescue, the rooms in Rio Secreto were large, and there were only a couple short passages that required swimming. We saw the stalactites and stalagmites illuminated by our helmet lights. The tour was very interesting, but physically challenging.

Cuba is a poor country with good schools and health care. Salaries are low, so people can't afford to buy or repair abandoned luxury housing. A person blessed to own a mid-twentieth century American car will keep the exterior relatively pristine, but under the hood, "It's the United Nations." Owners will buy (or make!) any sorts of parts to keep their cars running.

On another trip we got back from Europe just in time for the 4th of July. We spent 4 nights in Berlin, 5 on an Elbe River cruise, 2 in Prague, 4 in Southern France, and 3 in Paris.

We had a great time in Berlin; good things kept happening. The hall for the concert we saw was a block from our hotel. We went into the hall just in time for a tour of it in English. When we were in line to buy tickets at another theater, an audience member sold us two for half price. The weather was perfect.

The cruise went through parts of the former East Germany. Much had been destroyed by Allied bombing, but now nearly everything has been restored. The area has had a drought for the past few years, making the water level of the Elbe very low. The captain and his assistants did a good job of keeping the ship from running aground. The weather was cool--lows in the 50's.



Cuban Cars



Judy Sandstrom, Peter Kohn, and Noemie Sollier try on hats of the types worn by pilgrims in the Middle Ages.

We had just one full day in Prague. In the morning, we took the city tour, and in the afternoon, we toured a former nobleman's palace. The family had a huge art collection, and music manuscripts by Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, and others. That night we went to bed early and got up at 2:30 AM to be sure to catch the 4:00 bus to the airport.

We flew to Paris, then to Toulouse, where we were met by our nephew's fiancée. Then we rented a car and drove to her hometown, Soreze--population about 2,000. We visited the medieval fortress, Carcassonne, and various churches and museums in the area. Weather was sunny--temperatures in the 80's.

It was very hot for Paris--90's, with weak air conditioning. Lots of museums there are closed on Monday. The next morning the taxi driver asked which airport terminal we wanted. Surprisingly, the printout we had brought from home didn't say. The driver chose a likely one. Inside, we couldn't find our flight listed on a board. It turned out it had been canceled. They could have notified us by email, voice-mail, or text, but no one did. They put us on a flight to Minneapolis, continuing back to Chicago, so that wasn't too bad.

Nearly every August we go to the weeklong Adult Chamber Music Camp at Interlochen, MI. This year it runs from the 13th through the 19th. Peter will stay for the whole thing, but I didn't want to miss the reunion. I hope the shuttle, plane, and rental car cooperate!

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Jon Simon Update

Since our last reunion I've undergone several surgeries which have helped reduce my pain caused by RSD. I now am able to stand, but I'm still unable to walk without the support of a walker. My wife's health, however, has deteriorated due to nerve pain in her lower back caused by scar tissue that formed around nerves since her back surgery five years ago. Recently a spinal stimulator was surgically implanted. Initially she experienced some relief but unfortunately it was short lived. Doctors are still hopeful that they can help her. But her quality of life is so poor that we are seeking a second opinion from my spine & neurosurgeon.

On a lighter note we did manage to sneak in a couple week trip to New England last October to visit our daughter and son in law, Tammy and Brad Dean.

The highlight of that trip was driving along the coast of Maine and spending a day at Kennebunkport. The compound of George Bush senior is absolutely breath taking and I can only imagine its value.

Then in January our daughter and son in law (from out east) surprised us with a visit and tickets for Brad and I to go to the Super Bowl. That definitely was a once in a lifetime experience that I will never forget! We have been blessed with the best son in law that a person could ever ask for. He is truly more like a son to us than a son in law. Well that's one item checked off the old bucket list. Our grandkids are also very special! Our oldest granddaughter is a child life specialist at Children's hospital in Boston, our youngest granddaughter is an RN at Mass General in Boston & our grandson is a bean counter in Rhode Island & studying for his Masters degree. We're obviously very proud of them!

I still enjoy restoring classic cars for myself and working on others with close friends.

We thank God for our family, Tammy, Kelly, Jeff, Brad and our grandchildren. Other than that our golden years have been more like our rusty years. I pray that yours have been better. Enjoy each day as if it's your last! I look forward to seeing many of you at our reunion this August!

Jon Simon

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I still enjoy restoring classic cars for myself and working on others with close friends. Enclosed is a picture recently taken of my car (a 1957 Chevy) during Owatonna's Memorial Day parade.

*Chevy puts the **purr** in performance!*



Our daughter and son in law Brad (from out East) surprised us with a visit and tickets for Brad and I to go to the Super Bowl. in January.

**FROM
MARY O ROBERTS HORN**



Memorial Day Parade; Owatonna, Minnesota (1959)



Mary O Horn

April 17 · 🌐

Smokey the Bear visited us in Commissioners Court this morning. Happy Birthday Smokey! Now 75 years old!



I hold the distinction of being the first female Denton County Tax Assessor (served 9 1/2 years), first female Denton County Judge (will have served 16 1/2 years) and longest serving Denton County Judge. I did not file for re-election so will (finally) be retiring as of 12-31-18. Looking forward to spending more time with grandchildren, traveling and NO SCHEDULE! Jim and I have been blessed with good health and we need to take advantage of it!

Look forward to seeing everyone at the reunion!

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FROM SABRA WHITING OTTESEN

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Life in retirement continues to be good to us. We spend the winter months in Arizona and summer months in Minnesota.

Our four children, their spouses and our six grandchildren make us proud. Our oldest granddaughter, Sarah, is returning this summer from two years as a Peace Corp volunteer in Grenada and will be teaching music in Park Rapids, MN beginning this fall. The next three are in college and the youngest two are in middle/high school.

We are thankful for our family, our friends and our good health.

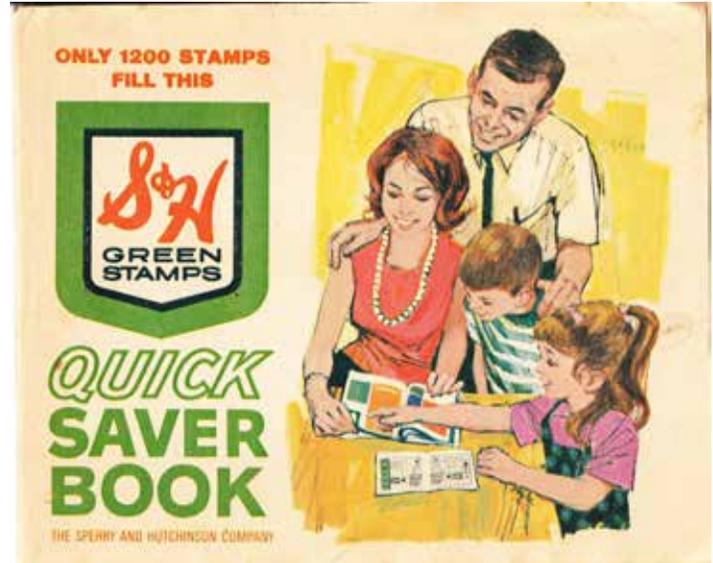
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From Doris: Not much new; Our granddaughter is expecting our second great-grandchild in January.

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S&H Green Stamps were a line of trading stamps popular in the United States from the 1930s until the late 1980s. They were distributed as part of a rewards program operated by the Sperry & Hutchinson company (S&H), founded in 1896 by Thomas Sperry and Shelley Byron Hutchinson. During the 1960s, the company promoted its rewards catalog as being the largest publication in the United States and boasted that it issued three times as many stamps as the U.S. Postal Service. Customers would receive stamps at the checkout counter of supermarkets, department stores, and gasoline stations among other retailers, which could be redeemed for products in the catalog. Among many stores offering S&H Green Stamps to customers were Simon's Mineral Spring Grocery owned by Jon Simon's parents and Thompsen Grocery (owned by Doris' parents, Dorothy and Leo Thompsen) in Meriden, Minnesota.

**FROM CURTIS UTPADEL,
SUN CITY WEST, ARIZONA**



After 27 years in law enforcement and 8 years of active duty in the US Air Force plus 20 years in the Army Reserve, we can say Curt is retired; perhaps tired is more accurate. Two great careers.

Lynette and I have five children; two boys and three girls. The children are all married and now we have 14 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

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*An Arizona Sunset
The reason several of our classmates choose to live in Arizona.
(Photo courtesy of Curt Utpadel)*



1963 Dairy Princess Candidates



JEAN STRANSKY



FRANCES HRUSKA



DARLETTE WEATHERLY



LINDA SUESS



KAY SOMMER



SHIRLEY OLSON



KAREN RYSAVY



CAROLYN BRADY



JUDY JENSEN



DIANE GASNER



HELEN SCHWANKE



ELAINE BRAHMS



KAREN KROHNBERG

1963 Dairy Princess Candidates



SANDRA RING



ARLENE LARSON



MARLENE SAMMON



SHARON CALVERLEY



NANCY GASNER



ALICE ANHORN



JOANN ZOLNOWSKY



JUDY BEHNE

WELCOME

STEELE COUNTY
the world's
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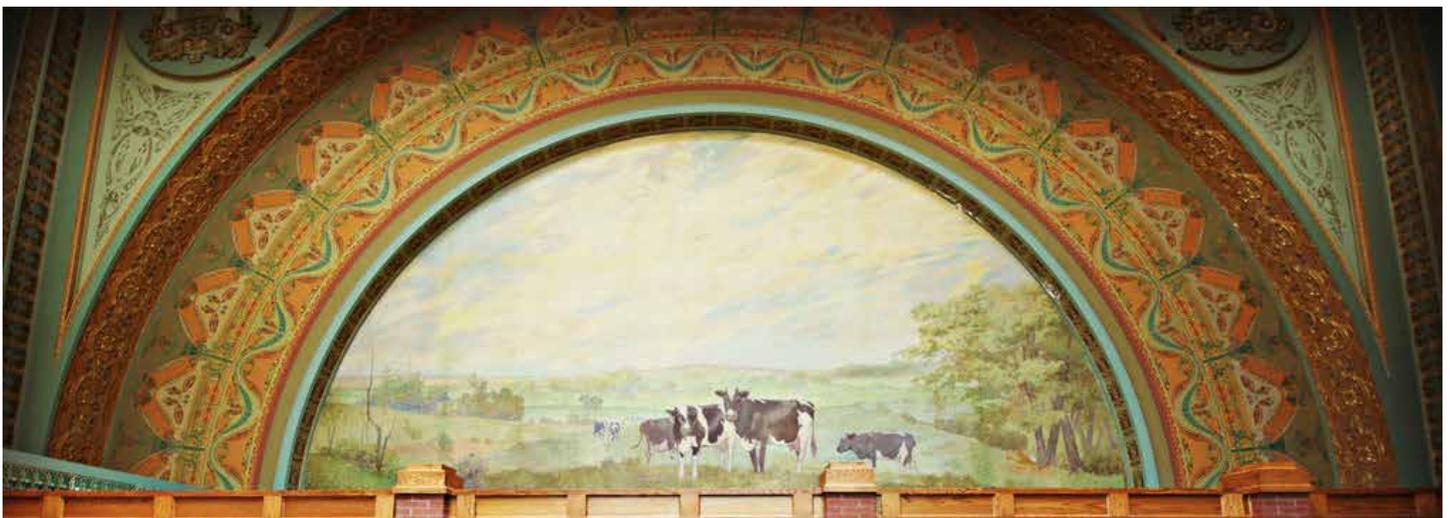
AND SO MUCH MORE

STEELE COUNTY
HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Sponsored by Steele County American Dairy Association



1963 Steele County Dairy Princess Candidates at Coronation Ceremony; Many familiar faces



The National Farmers' Bank of Owatonna, Minnesota, is a historic bank building designed by Louis Sullivan, with decorative elements by George Elmslie. It was built in 1908, and was the first of Sullivan's "jewel box" bank designs. The building is clad in red brick with green terra cotta bands, and features two large arches on its street-facing facades. Single-story wings, originally housing bank offices, extend along each side. Internal elements include two stained-glass windows designed by Louis J. Millet, and a mural by Oskar Gross. The mural picture above celebrates Steele County's strong dairy farming heritage.



State Theater, Owatonna, Minnesota (1950s)



FFA STATE AWARD WINNERS

Front row, L-R: Phil Haaland, Star Dairy Farmer; Lowell Mollenhauer, State Farmer Award; Eugene Abbe, State Farmer Award. Back row: Ronald Eustice, Forestry Farming; Paul Steinberg, Livestock Farming; Clyde Christofferson, State Farmer Award. (May 6, 1963).

Seven Owatonna FFA Members; State Winners

Will Be Honored May 6 in St. Paul
Photo News (April 25, 1963): Seven local Future Farmers of America chapter members will be honored at a recognition luncheon May 6 in the North Star Ballroom of the Student Union, University of Minnesota, St. Paul Campus for winning FFA State Convention Awards. Each winner will be provided with a plaque by the various sponsors. Glen Edin, Owatonna High School FFA advisor will accompany the boys and will be recognized at the banquet as well. Receiving awards will be Ronald Eustice, Forestry Farming, Phil Haaland, Star Dairy Farmer; Paul Steinberg, Livestock Farming; William Kruesel, Star Hog Farmer; Lowell Mollenhauer, Eugene Abbe and Clyde Christofferson, Star Farmers.

Lives Remembered



Dorothy Margaret Smith
(November 27, 1919 - March 8, 2018)

Dorothy Margaret Smith, age 98, of Owatonna died March 8, 2018 at Brookdale Senior Living in Owatonna.

Dorothy was born November 27, 1919 in New Ulm, Minnesota to John J. and Estella (Schmidt) Lieb. She graduated from Trinity High School in New Ulm and Mankato State University with bachelor and master degrees in education.

Dorothy began a 37 year career in education in the rural schools of Brown and Steele counties. She joined the school district in Owatonna as a classroom teacher and eventually became Primary Reading Director, Administrative Assistant, and principal of Roosevelt School. After her retirement from District 761 in 1981, Dorothy worked part-time in local bookstores, participated in pre-school screening, conducted early reading seminars for parents, authored two books: *Recipes From Grandma's Kitchen* and *Whispering Hope*, and served as a volunteer for the Owatonna Hospital Auxiliary.

Lester Smith and Dorothy married in the Associated Church on October 20, 1947. They made their home in Owatonna and remained lifelong residents.

Dorothy was active in local, regional, and state organizations, served on committees at Associated Church, as president of the Southeast MN Reading Council, and president of the MN Reading Association. She was a fixture at the hospital's Pink Pantry Gift Shop, serving as co-chair. Many benefitted from Dorothy's quilting and baking

talents. Coeur d'Alene, Idaho became her second home as she frequently traveled there to be with family. She loved the lakes and mountains of that area and leaves many friends there.

Dorothy is survived by sons David (Dode) and John (Bette), daughter Dolly, daughter-in-law Ione, and brothers Bob and Tom. She has 11 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, and 9 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by husband Les, son Bill, and siblings Don, Gertrude, and Gladys.

The Owatonna Business Women honored Dorothy in 2016, presenting to her the first-ever Pioneer Woman of the Year award. As stated in Dorothy's award presentation, "her perseverance and leadership carved significant footprints in the community, creating positive role models for our citizens".

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 17, at Associated Church in Owatonna, with interment at St. John Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Owatonna Public Library.

Note: Mrs. Smith was at the Roosevelt Elementary School when many of our classmates attended that school. Classmates describe her as one of the nicest teachers at Roosevelt Elementary.



Carol (Dinse) Marold
(March 4, 1945-April 5, 2018)

Carol Marold, age 73 of Edina, passed away April 5, 2018. She was preceded in death by husband, Bob Marold and parents, Edfried and Ella Dinse.

She was survived by sons, Rob (Jennifer) Marold, Craig Marold, grandchildren, Kaitlyn and Matthew, sisters, Joyce (Warren) Krumwiede, Marge (Jack) Burrell and numerous nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Carol was born in Waseca on March 4, 1945. She lived on the family farm, west of Owatonna until high school graduation. She attended Mankato State University, and moved to Chisholm, Minnesota to teach in Chisholm Public Schools shortly after. There she met her husband, Bob, and they resided in Buhl until his death in 2012.

Carol was a teacher for Chisholm Public Schools for thirty years. Shortly after retirement in 1999, she was hired at Herbergers in Virginia and worked there until 2012. Carol loved her family and spending time with her sons, daughter-in-law, and grandkids. She enjoyed traveling, gardening, and playing board games and cards with her friends at Vernon Terrace in Edina. A memorial service was held Friday, April 13 at Huber Funeral Home in Eden Prairie. Interment was in Lakeview Cemetery, Buhl, MN.

Lives Remembered



Eldon John Steuernagel, 94, of Woodbury, formerly of Owatonna, died Saturday, July 28, 2018 at his residence.

He was born February 15, 1924 in Utica Township, Winona County, Minnesota, the son of Emil and Sophia (Burfeind) Steuernagel. He graduated from Lewiston High School in 1942 and continued his education at Winona State, receiving his Bachelor's Degree and the University of Minnesota, receiving his Master's Degree. On March 23, 1946, Eldon married Gladys Schmidt at St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lewiston. Eldon's teaching career included schools in St. Charles, Peterson, Freeborn and Owatonna where he was a Math teacher from 1953 until his retirement in 1985.

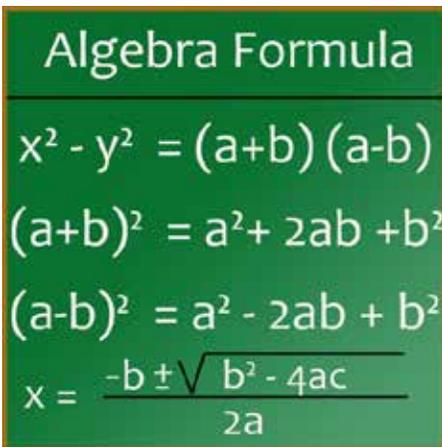
Eldon was a Charter Member of the Owatonna Kiwanis Club, Golden K, where he served a Vice President, President Elect and President. He also served at Lt. Gov. Division II Kiwanis MN-Dak District in 1991-1992 and chairperson for the MN-Dak Kiwanis District Achievement Committee for several years. Church involvement was very important to Eldon. He attended Redeemer Lutheran Church where served as a Sunday School Superintendent and Sunday School Teacher. Most recently, he was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church where he served on the Call Committee and faithfully supported the Youth Program. He was a member the Owatonna School District Foundation where he served as secretary from 1992 to 2003 and also a member of numerous retired educators associations at the local and national level.

Eldon Steuernagel enjoyed bicycle riding with his wife in Minnesota and Wisconsin and cross country skiing at Kaplan's Woods, Rice County Park between Faribault and Northfield, Shingabe Ski area west of Walker and areas near Iola, Wisconsin.

He is survived by children, Bruce (and Pat) Steuernagel, Heidi Thorstenson and Kristi (and Tom) Sullivan; grandchildren, Brad, Jeff (Robyn), Maren and Karli and great-grandsons, Owen and Elliott and sister-in-law, Sheila Mueller.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Gladys Steuernagel and siblings and their spouses, George (Alice), Oscar (Elaine) and Laura (Frank) Budil.

Visitation was held at Trinity Lutheran Church on Friday, August 3rd. A Memorial Service was held Friday, August 3, 2018 at Trinity Lutheran Church with The Reverend Todd Buegler officiated followed by a lunch reception. Interment will be in St. John Cemetery in Owatonna.



David Burton Long was born in Kansas City, Missouri on May 21, 1945. He died peacefully, at home, surrounded by friends and family in the early morning hours of August 13, 2018.

He was born one of a set of triplets to Ruth Bacon and Harry Kerr Smith. At birth, he was adopted by Ruth (Van Meter) and Wendell (Bill) Long.

David primarily grew up in Owatonna, Minnesota, but also lived in Bloomington, Indiana for four years. He graduated from Hamline University in St. Paul, Minnesota where he was the captain of the college swim team. David taught in Sumpter Township and Taylor schools. He was the swim coach in Taylor. He retired in 1997, due to health concerns.

David was a member of the Allen Park Presbyterian Church Choir and had a beautiful singing voice. David enjoyed shooting skeet and trap. He was a member of the Washtenaw Sportsmen's Club. In 1997, he won the World Trap Shooting Competition. He also enjoyed refinishing and collecting antiques, and driving his 1945 TC MG. He loved to travel "someplace warm" in the winter months.

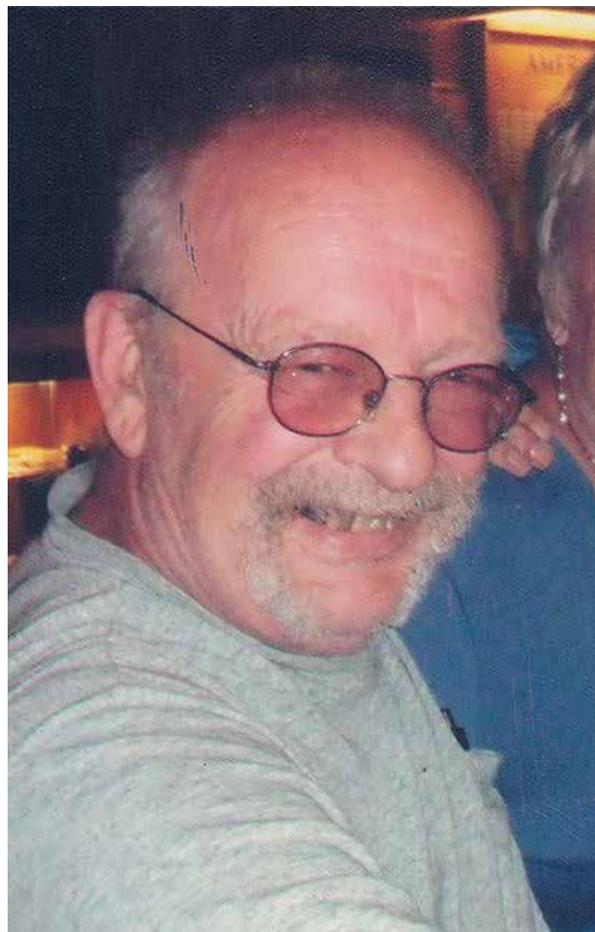
He was preceded in death by his sister, Martha Long-Viviano, and is survived by his wife of 41 years, Paula (Barnes) Long, his daughter, Sarah C. Long of Silver Springs, Maryland, granddaughter, Beatrice Reva Long, brother-in-law Peter Viviano of Pleasantville, New York. services were held at Allen Park Presbyterian Church located at 7101 Park Avenue in Allen Park, Michigan on Friday, August 17, 2018

Lives Remembered



Carole (Soukup) Nordlie
(1945-2017)

Carole Nordlie, 72, of Owatonna passed away December 16th, 2017. She was born April 4, 1945 in New Prague, MN to George Soukup and Florence (Andersen) Soukup. Carole graduated from Owatonna High School in 1963. She married her high school sweetheart Gary Nordlie on December 23, 1967 in Owatonna. Carole attended Mankato State University for two years and went on to work as a Dental Assistant for Dr. Ronald Baker until his retirement. Carole then joined the staff at Southern Heights Dental Group in Faribault MN, where she remained until November 2017. Carole will always be remembered for her bright, friendly smile as she welcomed patients to the dental office. Carole spent every summer for over thirty years with her husband Gary at their family cabin on Lake Vermilion. Though he didn't like to admit it, Carole could outfish Nord on any day. She enjoyed traveling, jig saw puzzles, reading, and spending precious time with her daughter and grandchildren. She is survived by her daughter LaRae (Bill Samuels); 3 grandchildren, Karter, Kailie, and Konner Kubista; brother Roger (Sharon) Soukup; sister-in-laws Lynda Virgin and Paula Soukup; and nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband Gary, brother George Soukup, and her parents. A Celebration of Carole's life was held December 23rd.



Michael B. Storm
(1944-2018)

Michael Bernard Storm, 73, of Owatonna, died Monday, May 14, 2018 at St. Lucas Care Center, Faribault. He was born November 16, 1944 in Owatonna the son of Harold and Elizabeth (Mohs) Storm. Mike served in the US Army from 1965 to 1968. After his military service he worked for Reserve Supply Co, King Co and Phoenix Air in Owatonna. He was a member of the Eagle's, American Legion and the VFW. He is survived by son, Jeff (and Chris) Storm of Faribault; daughters, Michelle Taylor of Owatonna, Rebecca Brogren of Owatonna; 6 grandchildren; one great grandchild; brother, Richard Storm of Pine, AZ and nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by 3 brothers. Interment with military honors was held at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery.

*Rest in
Peace*



QUEEN CAROLE SOUKUP, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Soukup, 1021 Van Buren Ave., crowned over Homecoming activities Friday at Owatonna High School. She was named at an afternoon assembly at the school by football co-captain Dwight Zetschell. Seated here with her royal court, who are, left to right, Sabra Whiting, Sandra Jellum, Zetschell, Miss Soukup, Stan Schneider, co-captain Jean Abbott and Kathy Pobanz.



Queen Carole

ROYALTY

**1962/63
Homecoming
Queen
Carole Soukup**

QHS

**1962/63
Homecoming
Royalty**

- Jean Abbott
Sandra Jellum
Kathy Pobanz
Sabra Whiting



JEAN ABBOTT



SANDRA JELUM



KATHY POBANS

**Homecoming
Royalty**

Oh's and ah's filled the auditorium as the curtains opened on the beautiful queen's court. The blaring voices of the choir singing "Moon River" and "Love is a Many Splendored Thing" set the mood for the beautiful ceremony of coronation.

Co-captain Dwight Zetschell passed the floor as the students held their breath, each hoping the girl of their choice would be chosen as queen. Shrieks of joy filled the air as Dwight extended his arm to Carole Soukup — our queen.



SABRA WHITING



Owatonna High School Class of 1963 (55th Anniversary Reunion..August 18, 2018)

See page 62 for additional pictures and names of classmates who attended the 55th Owatonna High School Class of 1963 Reunion.

RANDOM THOUGHTS BY JIM RANDERS

55th Owatonna High School Class of 1963 Reunion

There must be an imbalance in time and space. I am mystified by the speed of time as we age, no one told me about that obscure occurrence? On August 18th, my wife and I drove to Owatonna, MN for my 55th class reunion, Sixty classmates attended plus spouses, ninety classmates were no shows. Forty-one photos of the deceased, were displayed on a blue draped table. I would imagine that one or two or more of those forty-one were a good friend of at least one of us if not more. It was a sobering moment and a reminder that our future is getting shorter and we too, will eventually be a black and white photo in a clear plastic 5" X 8" display, sitting on a table covered with a silver & blue cloth, our school colors.

It was a joyful gathering, other than the frozen stares from the table watching us move about. Sixty living, breathing classmates from decades past had gathered, some, once good friends and may still be, others, school acquaintances, and some just faces from classrooms of 30, the ones that we never really got to know. Now it makes no difference, other than the memories of certain students that some share and some missed, or the relationships with the teachers, be it good, bad or indifferent. Mine was with "Barney" Anderson, my art teacher for five years; we became good friends, never to be forgotten. And Mr. Bennet, who truly made a difference in my life, not only by encouraging reading and poetry but art too.

Every time I go to a reunion, starting with the ten-year reunion, I find it harder to recognize the faces as we all change in looks and physical appearance. Whoever invented the sticky name tag with a picture on it, should be praised. But the voices and eyes don't change, the expression of happiness to see one another is real and lasting. I was making my way around the airport hangar, full of people with no plane in site, but decorated with reminders of our past, lest we forget and appetizers to sooth the apprehensive stomach. My mind was reeling with memories of going through my first seventeen years of life with all these people. At eighteen we were set free with basic book knowledge of the world around us to face the adult world that lay ahead. Now here we were, at the

end of the adventure of finding ourselves, some still chasing their dreams others just enjoying the breath of a beautiful day and the pleasure of a warm breeze bringing the sweet smell of the earth to our senses.

I searched for particular people that I stored in the cache of my aging brain, a few men, a few women, memorable souls that had touched my young world one way or another. They come to mind throughout my life when something triggers a random memory. One was Judy Reese. Always a smile on her face, that same beautiful smile still remains. There was something special about her, maybe it was her will-o'-the-wisp energy, or just the pleasure of knowing her and talking to her and sharing our thoughts.

After Fifty-five years we can still smile at each other and hug and feel the undefinable human bond of someone that is in the same *Karass, that never goes away.

My father had a sporting goods store at the north end of town, set back about 100 feet from the old highway with other nearby businesses. Directly across the street was a tiny diner, Beer's café, owned by Art Beers a one-time professional boxer. Going north of the diner, closer to the highway were some other miscellaneous businesses maybe four; one in particular was the Wildung Alfalfa Mill with its potent odor that would fill the air in the fall with enough exotic (to me) fragrance to make my head spin. On the south side of the diner was a very small stucco off-white house, right next door to Art's place. There were no other residential houses for a couple of miles just more businesses and another highway pointed towards Waseca. I imagine the house was built for the original owner of the diner.

My father started the sporting goods store when I was twelve. I helped him on weekends in the fall for hunting season, an extremely busy time of year and sometimes in the summer. I was always fascinated with the oddity of that little house. Then, a year or two later a new family moved in, a mother and her pretty daughter with a large, all white German Shepherd, a magnificent dog that everyone loved.

RANDOM THOUGHTS

Much to my surprise the daughter was my age and went to Owatonna High. If I had seen her before I didn't remember, it seemed to me she came from a distant land, mystery followed her with some sort of mystic shroud surrounding the three of them. At that time, 1959-60 perhaps, a single woman with child in a small town of 15,000 was notable. In 1960 the average family had 2.3 children and generally the fathers worked and the mother stayed home with the children; this house didn't follow the statistics.

Her name was Kathy Pobanz. When I worked at the store I wanted to get to know her better but I really didn't have the courage or much opportunity. I also had enough going on to keep me busy. Plus, I had a motorcycle and a car and if you had a car in the early 60's in high school, you were on the move and you had it made. So why I never asked her out I'll never know? Probably fear of rejection ... maybe, maybe not?

At this reunion Kathy and I finally had some time to talk, mostly small talk including a cute story about her dog. She told me that her Shepard went down the road to Prinzing's market and stole three smoked fish and brought them home to eat. The fish let out an awful stink especially after three carcasses lay in the back yard for some time in the sun, the smell didn't go unnoticed. It was an easy crime to solve, no one went to jail, the culprit was dealt with and all was forgiven. A stern talk was the punishment which he probably didn't understand a word of, but NO. I know how that is, I love smoked fish.

I knew little of Kathy's mother other than causally running into her at Art's place with a few greetings, never asked a question, so I lived in fascination, of their unique situation. I wanted to know more but never did.

Kathy graduated, married Stan Schuster, a member of our state wrestling championship team. He defended me once in high school gym class, making the guy trying to whip me with a wet towel sorry he ever tried. That ended wet towel whipping permanently in the shower room! I was always grateful for that.

I told her my story at the reunion, of the intrigue that captured my mind and made her a wonder woman to me from Themyscira (Paradise Island). I just wanted to greet her and talk to her, find out how she has been. I find that sometimes the mystery that surrounds a person, place or situation is sweeter than the reality of it, it allows the imagination to run free. Like a fine wine, I don't want to know the process of its making, I just want to savor the flavor and enjoy the moment. In some cases, too much knowledge can ruin the reverie. I will continue to live in the mystery of it all, content but I'll never forget looking out those large front windows of the sporting goods store, having short glimpses of Kathy moving about like a gentle summer breeze.

John Hudrlik was there, he and Verna came all the way from southern Nevada. John was the first friend I met in Owatonna, at four years old in nursery school at Roosevelt Elementary. My mother worked days, she would put me in anything she could in the summer to occupy my time. John and I hit it off right away and still stay in touch. It was John that let the slide go on his trombone in Mr. Lian's music class, at the end of a number, all was quiet as Marc Reigel, John and myself watched the slide descending three tiers to rest at Mr. Lian's feet. With a quick pointed finger, he kicked John out of the class. We still laugh at that.



*Scout's Honor: Cub Scouts in 4th grade
(November 1955)*

*Left to Right: Paul Hammel, Jerry Carstensen, Jim Randers, Paul Lian
Photo: Courtesy of Jim Randers*

I still remember the time in Kaplan Woods when me, Jerry Carstensen, on our bikes, ate a whole jar of olives. Boy Scouts united many of us especially the camping trips, so much fun, Hoksila was the best. One year the camp ran an obstacle course; Paul Lian came in first, me second. He barely beat me but he was fast, same in track, I always wondered how he could be so fast for his size? Maybe from big guys chasing after him?

I don't know why time now seems to move so fast, maybe it's global warming, or faulty memories or maybe it's knowing our time is waning? What really matters is that we make the most out of it and think less of the end and more of the good things left ahead.

** Karass: Kurt Vonnegut's cat's cradle; a spontaneously forming group, joined by unpredictable links.*

OWATONNA HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1963 --- 55th ANNIVERSARY



Seated: Jim Colton, Linda Suess Christofferson; Standing L-R: Marie Nelson Kedziora, Jon Simon, Doris Behsman Hauser, Judy Sandstrom, Kathy Pobanz Schuster, Gary Vaith, Carol Jo Jensen, John Hudrlik, Darlene Truhlar Polesky, Helmer Lembke, Florice Nelson Lietzke, Pat Irwin Roensch, Bob Moe, Kathy Johnson Lembke, Melissa McClintock Carlson



Seated Clyde Christofferson, Judy Kjos Drevlow, Ralph Schroht; Standing L-R: Judy Reese Kretlow, Paul Daffinrud, Janice Krampitz Lewison, Lorri Mullenmaster Kneeland, Linda Flom Raschke, Curt Utpadel, Connie Richmond Draveling, Tom Kuntz, Julie Klemmer Knapp, Richard Fisher, Jim Randers, Ron Eustice, Joel Knippel, Charles Starker, Mary Helen Hamilton Pelton, Roger Rehman, Jim Davis, John Hammel



L-R: Marc Reigel, Paul Lian, Roger Buscovich, Mary O Roberts Horn, Jeanette Hugill Cox, Sabra Whiting Otteson, Evelyn Elsner Enzenauer, Curt Krause, Phyllis Eggers Stransky, Don Enzenauer, Bill Stransky, Jerry Carstensen, Dave Stanton, Judy Wunderlich Rosecke



Mary Carstensen & Judy Reese Kretlow hard at work preparing for the reunion.



Jim Colton, Ron Eustice, Curt Utpadel & Jon Simon

**THANK YOU
MARY HELEN
HAMILTON
PELTON**
for an inspirational
and entertaining
“keynote” address
at a very successful
55th anniversary
reunion.



Mary Jo Colton, Kim & Bob Moe



John Hammel



Marc Reigel & Judy Kjos Drevlow



Joel Knippell, Julie Klemmer Knapp & Judy Kjos Drevlow



Phyllis Eggers Stransky & Linda Suess Christofferson

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Bob Moe with Jim and Mary Jo Colton



Don Enzenauer & Roger Buscovick



Good conversation, reminiscing, just plain friendship. looks like a ballroom, can't believe it's an airplane hangar.





Mary O Roberts Horn, Melissa McClintock Carlson, Lorri Mullenmaster Kneeland, Marie Nelson Kedziora

THEN & NOW	
Long hair	Longing for hair
KEG	EKG
Acid rock	Acid reflux
Moving to California because it's cool	Moving to Florida because it's warm
Trying to look like Marlon Brando or Liz Taylor	Trying NOT to look like Marlon Brando or Liz Taylor
Seeds and stems	Roughage
Hoping for a BMW	Hoping for a BM
Going to a new, hip joint	Getting a new hip joint
Rolling Stones	Kidney stones
Screw the system	Upgrade the system
Disco	Costco
Parents begging you to get your hair cut	Children begging you to get their heads shaved
Passing the driver's test	Passing the vision test
Whatever	Depends



Ralph & Gladys Schroht, Don & Evelyn Enzenauer, Bill & Phyllis Stransky



Shelby & Tom Kuntz



Jim Horn & Carol Jo Jensen



Doris Behsman Hauser, Phyllis Eggers Stransky & Carol Jensen

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*Mary O Roberts Horn &
Lorri Mullenmaster Kneeland*



Judy Reese Kretlow, Doris Behsman Hauser, Phyllis Eggers Stransky



Lorri & Mike Kneeland with Shelby Kuntz



Kathy Johnson Lembke & Paul Lian



Lowell Raschke, Linda Flom Raschke, Nina Knippell, Kathy Pobanz Schuster

OWATONNA HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1963 --- 55th ANNIVERSARY



Mary O Roberts Horn & Kathy Johnson Lembke



Jon Simon & Florice Nelson Lietzke



Gary Vaith & Roger Rehman



John & Verna Hudrlik



Sabra Whiting Ottesen, John Lietzke, Florice Nelson Lietzke, Bill Ottesen

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Don Enzenauer, Evelyn Elsner Enzenauer, Margaret Eustice & Ronald Eustice



Doris Behsman Hauser & Pat Irwin Roensch



Curt & Lyn Utpadel



Lori Mullenmaster Kneeland and her husband Mike



Gary & Marie Nelson Kedziora



Dave Stanton & Judy Kjos Drevlow



Curt and Karen Krause



Jerry and Jan Krampitz Lewison, Marie Nelson Kedziora, Julie Klemmer Knapp



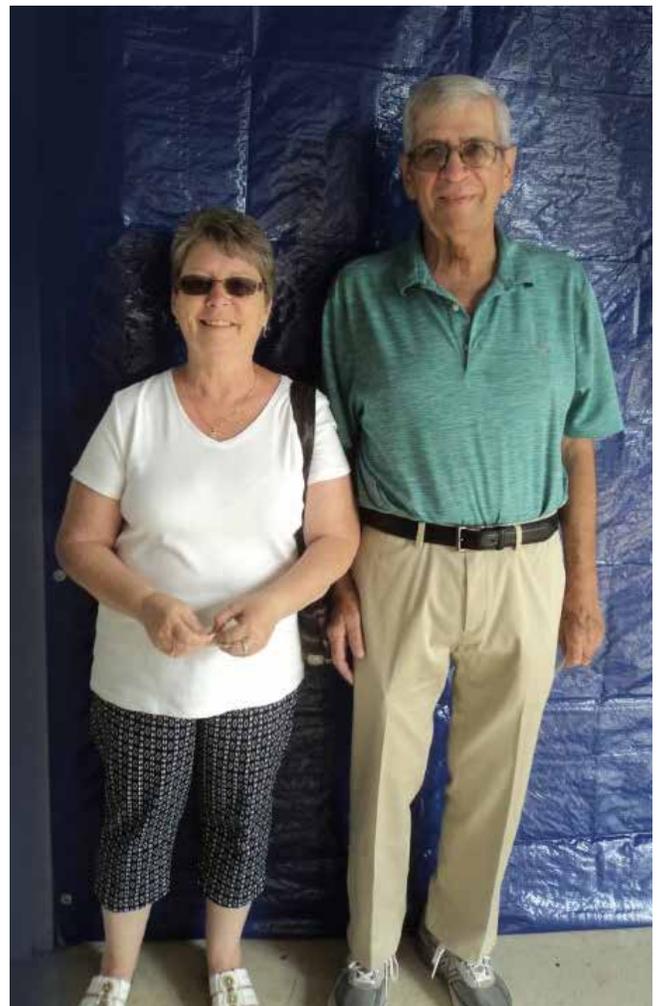
Curt Utpadel, Mary O Roberts Horn, Julie Klemmer Knapp



Mary O Roberts and Jim Horn



Mary Helen Hamilton Pelton



Linda & Roger Buscovick



Phyllis Eggers Stransky, Curt Utpadel, Kathy Johnson Lembke. "We came from Ellendale....me in 8th grade and Curt and Phyl in 9th grade. There were others too but not at this Reunion, It's fun to have a photo of those "back in the day Ellendale classmates." Kathy Johnson Lembke



Lowell & Linda Flom Raschke



Paul Daffinrud & John Hudrlik



Marc Reigel, Jim Davis and Elde Kretlow inspecting the classic cars



Marc Reigel with Paul and wife Judy Daffinrud.



Jeanette Hugill Cox and her daughter Tina Trettle.

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Front Row: Linda Buscovick, Ralph Schroht. Back Row: Gladys Schroht, Roger Buscovick, Evelyn Elsner Enzenauer & Don Enzenauer.



Elde & Judy Reese Kretlow



Owatonna Degner Regional Airport



Judy Sandstrom & Judy Reese Kretlow



Clyde & Linda Suess Christofferson

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Owatonna High School Junior-Senior Prom 1962

L to R: Marie Nelson, Phyllis Eggers, Kathy Johnson, Judy Reese, Darlene Truhlar, Rita Underland, Delores Broulik, Doris Behsman



56 years later...55th Class Reunion: Haven't changed a bit, have we? Same order plus Pat Irwin minus Dee Broulik (didn't attend) & Rita (deceased)



Connie Richmond Draveling, Ron Eustice & Melissa McClintock Carlson



Mary O Roberts Horn, Judy Reese Kretlow & Florice Nelson Lietzke



Roger Rehman and Elde Kretlow, Darrell Rosecke, Roger Roensch, Diane Rehman



Bill Stransky & Judy Wunderlich Rosecke

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Congratulations to Kathy & Judy on a command performance. Kathy Johnson Lembke and Judy Reese Kretlow were part of an incredible team that could excel as event planners.



Kim & Bob Moe

**OHS Class of 63
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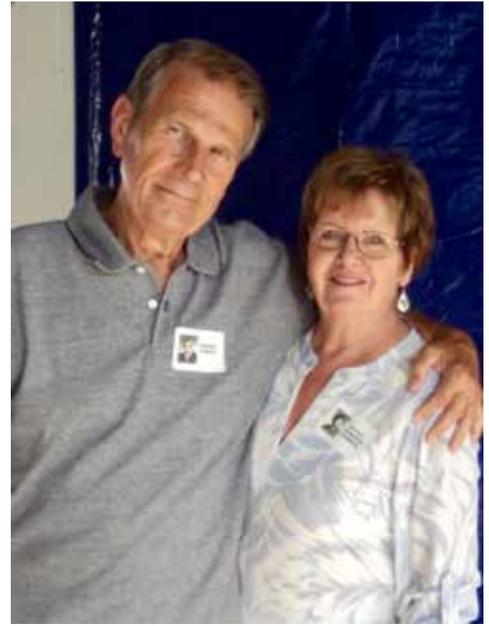
John & Ruth Hammel



Kathy Pobanz Schuster, Charles Starker and wife Trolla with Doris Behsman Hauser



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Helmer & Kathy Johnson Lembke



John & Florice Nelson Lietzke



Gary Vaith & Jim Randers



Gary & Marie Nelson Kedziora with Darlene Truhlar Polesky & Richard Fisher



Lorri Mullenmaster Kneeland



Remembering Our Departed Classmates

Janice Kaplan	10/6/64	Joan Broughton Keller	10/06/10
Larry Kelm	8/25/66	Steven "Chip" Block	2/10/11
Warren Robinson	4/13/68	Randall Sulflow	4/18/11
Judy Burshem Arndt	8/31/68	Rita Underland Bedney	6/11/12
June Rohwer	12/29/68	Gary Nordlie	11/15/13
Curtis Ringhofer	5/13/70	Richard (Rick) Tollefson	1/19/14
Brooks Whitmore	11/77	Frani Hruska Anderson	4/20/14
Darrell Geyer	4/23/85	Jean Stoltz Weber	2/22/15
Dwight Zatochill	11/13/94	Rudy Mollenhauer	4/16/15
Stanley Schuster	9/11/99	Glen Stoltz	5/08/15
Mary Lembke Kingsland	4/19/03	Kathy Deviny Miller	8/5/15
Lloyd Stursa	5/14/03	Donald Tuerk	12/20/15
Josephine Giesler Aase	11/3/03	Herman Eisen	3/25/16
Donald Stavenau	4/24/04	Jack Lindgren	10/23/16
Sandra Drache Hanson	1/13/05	Darlette Weatherly Haaland	1/2/17
Dale Nelson	2/26/05	Eugene Baker	1/18/17
Dale Walker	8/7/05	Carole Soukup Nordlie	12/16/17
Owen Graham	11/17/05	Carol Dinse Marold	4/05/18
Jean Meland Davis	Date unknown	Michael Storm	5/14/18
Thomas N. Storm	7/21/06	David Long	8/13/18
Robert Shamp	9/10/09		

***Forever Words:
You tell me that I
must perish; Like
the flowers that I
cherish;***

***Nothing remaining
of my name; Noth-
ing remembered of
my fame;***

***But the trees that
I planted still are
young; The songs
I sang will still be
sung.***

Johnny Cash





After the Party; Jerry's toys are back in the hangar.

The Party's Over, it's time to call it a day



THE
PARTY'S
OVER

For Now!



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About Steele County:

Steele County, Minnesota was officially organized February 20, 1855 and originally included what is now known as Waseca County. Re-organization in 1856 established the boundaries we recognize today. The new county was named in honor of Franklin Steele, a St. Anthony governmental contractor and a man of prominence. The first county building, built in 1874 at a cost of \$5,000, was a one-story brick building which has since been demolished. The historic Steele County Courthouse was built in 1891 for \$50,000. It has been remodeled several times and is used solely by the courts. Two courtrooms and one hearing room are available, as well as meeting rooms and office space. In 1860 Steele County had a population of 2,863 as compared to 21,155 in 1950 and 36,755 as of 2015. Steele County has numerous streams and natural springs. The largest of the streams is the Straight River and the largest lake is Rice Lake. Nine mineral springs are located in Owatonna, in an area known as Mineral Springs Park.

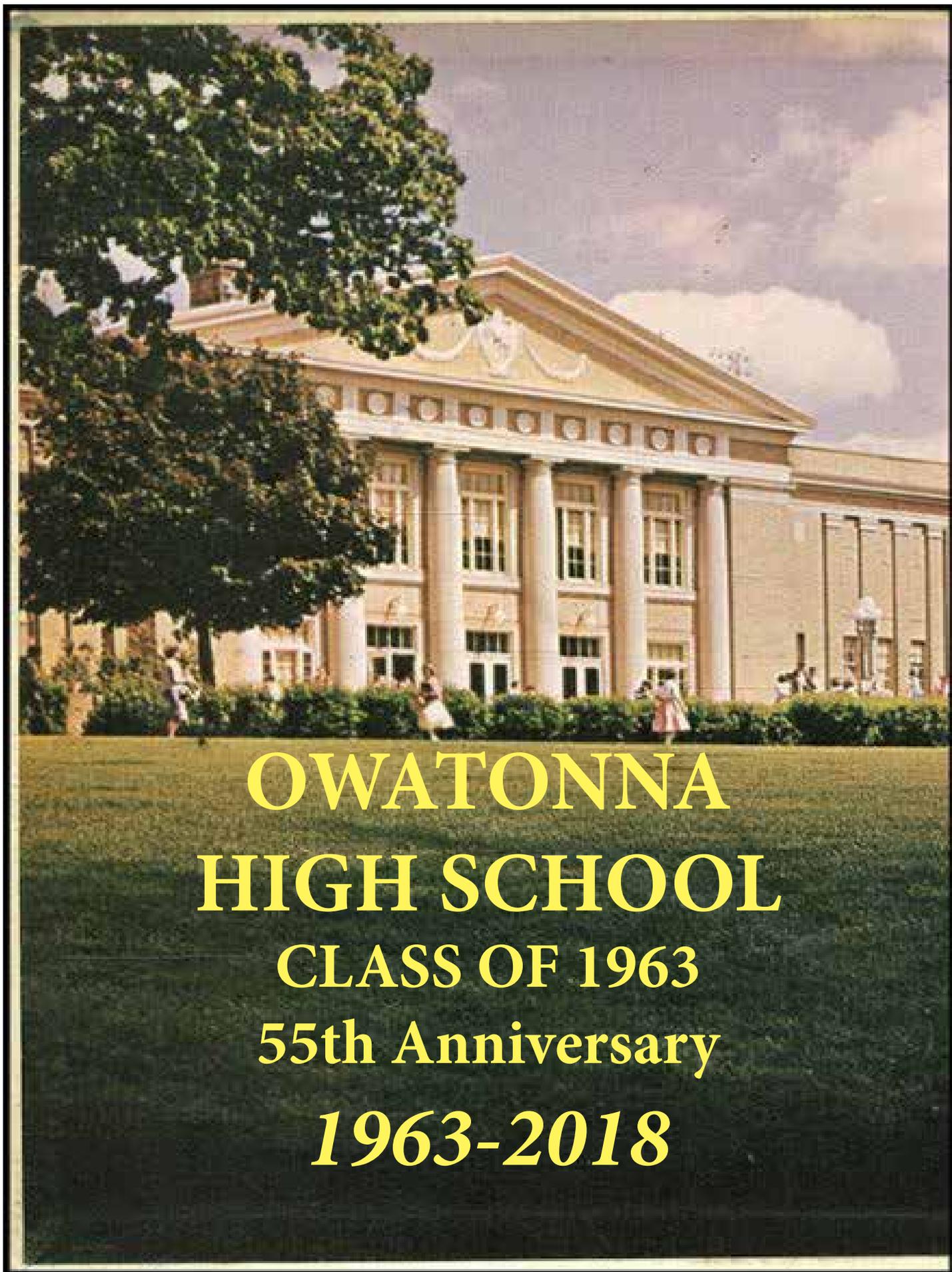
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High School Hymn
Hail to the Silver
Hail to the Blue
Hail Owatonna
We're ever True
We Love No Other
So Let Our Motto Be
Hail Owatonna
Vic-tor-y**

One may return to the place of his birth, He cannot go back to his youth. John Burroughs, "The Return."(1906)



Princess Owatonna

Legend of Owatonna: Chief Wabena heard of the curing waters called minnewaucan. His daughter, Princess Owatonna, was very frail so he moved his tribe to the site of the natural springs on the banks of Maple Creek. Princess Owatonna drank from the springs daily and recovered her health. Her kindly spirit hovers near the bubbling waters and beckons weary travelers to pause in the beautiful valley and drink of the magic waters.



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