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Conceptual Image of an Annular "Ring of Fire" Eclipse

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Annular Solar Eclipse Crosses American West October 14th

By Mark Minnick

What could be more pertinent for readers of The Galactic Gazette than an ***Annular Solar Eclipse!*** The U.S. eclipse path will start in Oregon and pass through Nevada, Utah, New Mexico and Texas. *(See map next page)*

The big event starts on the Oregon coast at around 9:00 AM PDT. The nearest town I could find is Reedsport. The show will end at Corpus Christi, Texas around Noon CDT.

Of course Cosmos will not be in the path of totality, but residents will still be able to see the Moon covering up part of the Sun, with proper eclipse viewing glasses, of course.

Here are the eclipse times for Cosmos:

- **Partial Begins: 10:27 AM**
- **Maximum Coverage: 11:46 AM**
- **Partial Ends: 1:10 PM**

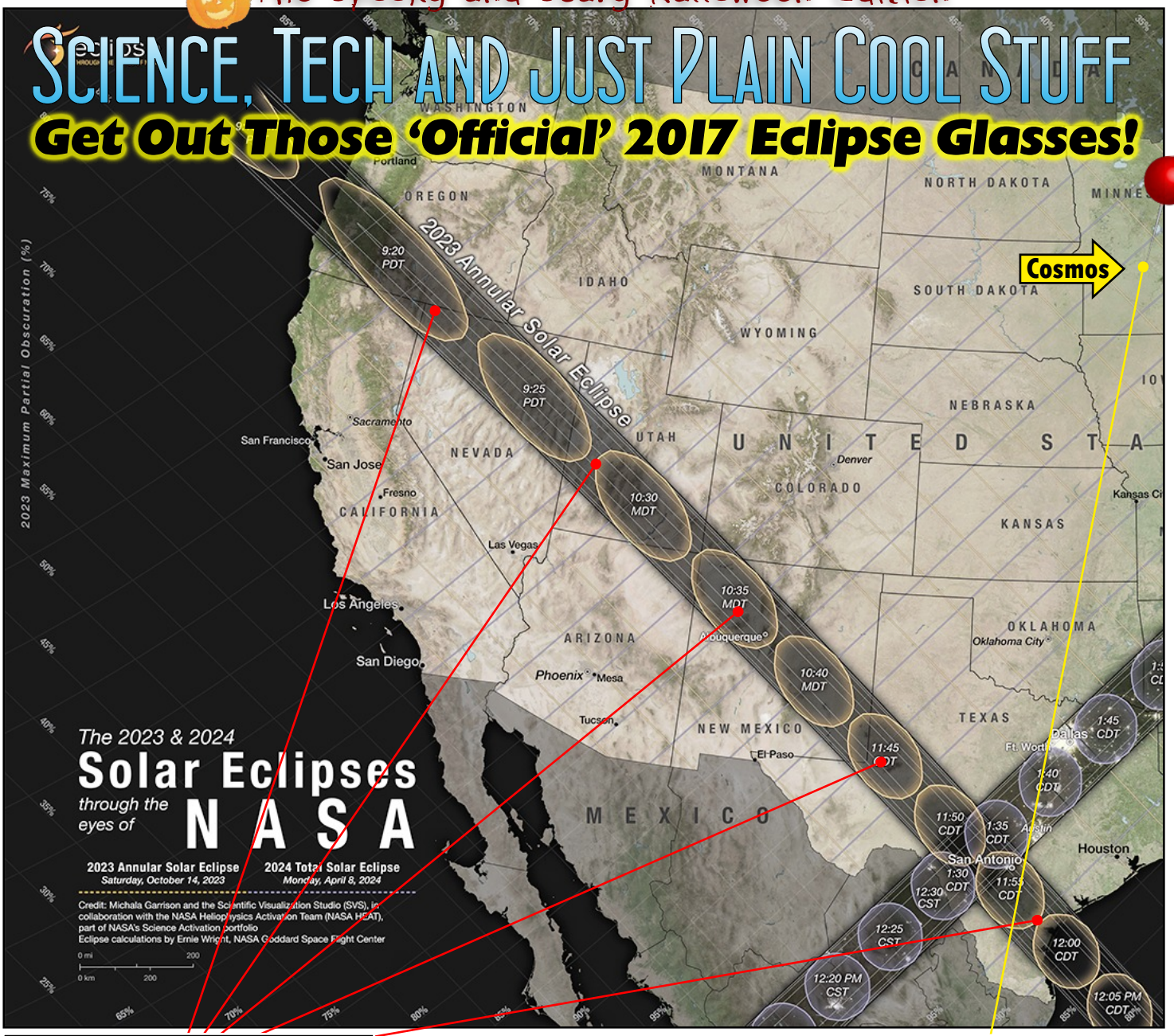
More info next page



You better dig out those 2017 "Official"
Galactic Gazette Eclipse Gazers
Cool people would have hung on to them. Just sayin'

Science, Tech and Just Plain Cool Stuff

Get Out Those 'Official' 2017 Eclipse Glasses!



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Take a look at the above map to get an idea as to what the heck is going on. For more complete information, go to **timeanddate.com** It's a great website, with interactive videos and info up the wazoo.

Again, the eclipse times for Cosmos:

- **Partial Begins: 10:27 AM**
- **Maximum Coverage: 11:46 AM**
- **Partial Ends: 1:10 PM**

And wear protective glasses!

Cosmos Partial Solar Eclipse Obscuration *(coverage)* 48%

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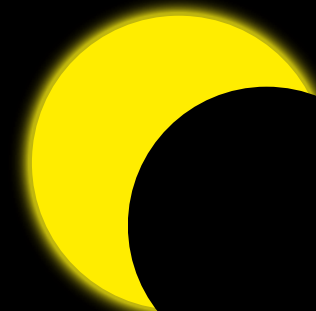

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-Cosmos Lions Labor Day Weekend 2023-

Co-Rec Softball Tourney



1st Place

Walt's of Willmar continued its title-winning ways as it won the 2023 Lions Labor Day Tourney September 2-3, turning back a frisky Boon Lakers team. Team members included (front: l-r): Luke Battes, Dane Daak, Matt Evans, Peewee (NLN) and oft-injured Travis Frederiksen. (Back, l-r): Kallie Wycoff, Tessa Ewert, Megan Knickerbocker, Ronni Mullenbach and Kaylie Brazil.

2nd Place

The Boon Lakers *(from the Boon Lake area)* captured second in the 2023 Cosmos Lions Labor Day tourney. Team members were (Front: l-r): Nick Smith, Corey Kurth, Christian Kurth, Jackson Martin and Mark Runke. (Back: l-r): Dave Swanson, Kaylee Erickson, Erin Anderson, Taylor Runke, Lindsey Minnick, Morgan Kurth and Randy Kurth.





3rd Place

The Cunninghams of Atwater turned in a good performance at the Cosmos Lions Labor Day Tournament September 2-3, 2023. Helping the team to a third-place finish were (Front, l-r): JaColby Anderson, Josh Cunningham, Trever Heining, Noah Cunningham, John Cunningham and Zach Cunningham. (Back, l-r): Datrine Jensen, Samantha Cunningham, Jennifer Anderson, Sara Tostenson, Leah Brogdon and Taylor Balkan.


Trick or Treat!
From the
The Cosmos Lions
"We Serve"

MINUTES
CITY OF COSMOS
REGULAR MEETING
September 14, 2023

A regular meeting of the Cosmos City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas McCarthy at 5:00 p.m. On Thursday September 14, 2023.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Council Members Mark Minnick, Jody Fruetel and Angelica Hopp.
COUNCIL ABSENT: Emily Van Hatten
ALSO PRESENT: John Douville

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

Adopt Consent Agenda – A motion by Fruetel, seconded by Minnick, to adopt the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

a. August 10, 2023 City Council Minutes
b. August 24, 2023 City Council Minutes - Special
c. Meeker County – Voter Operations Account agreement $14.65
d. Water/Waste Water Report

September 14, 2023 Bills List - A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Minnick, to approve the July 20, 2023 bills list with check numbers from 16390-16435 for $71,373.83. Motion carried**.**

Preliminary General Fund Budget – Administrator Douville reviewed the 2024 Preliminary General Fund Budget. Revenues increased by $30,892 primarily from a $17 392 increase in Local Government Aid (LGA) and the reinstated Small Cities Street Aid of $13,500. Both of these aids come from the MN Department of Revenue. Expenditures increased by $29,939 mostly due to increased costs in Ambulance and Fire Department expenses. A **motion** by Minnick, seconded by Hopp, to approve the Preliminary 2024 General Fund budget of $574,013. Motion carried**.**

Preliminary 2024 Property Tax Levy – Administrator Douville reviewed the 2024 Preliminary General Fund Budget and noted that for the 7th year in a row, the City of Cosmos would not have to raise its property tax levy. A **motion** by Fruetel, seconded by Minnick, to approve the Preliminary 2024 General Property Tax Levy of $287,263. Motion carried**.**

Public Works Job Description – Administrator Douville reviewed the revised Public Works Job Description, removing most items related to the water and wastewater systems. A **motion** by Hopp, seconded by Minnick, to approve the Public Works Job Description. Motion carried**.**

Water/Waste Water Contracted Services – Dave Woeffle will provide the licensed contracted services for the water and waste water functions of the city. A **motion** by Hopp, seconded by Minnick, to approve contracting with Dave Woeffle for licensed utility services at $500/month plus emergency calls. Motion carried**.**

Department Heads – Administrator Douville noted the office would be closed for Tuesday, September 18th for remote work.

Fire Chief Fruetel reported on getting the 50/50 MN DNR grant for $5,000 to buy turnout gear and other misc. items. He stated they could do a fire training at the brush site but would need the city's toolcat to move brush.

Councilmember Hopp and Minnick discussed hiring a lawn care service for city hall. No action was taken.

5:30 p.m. Council Meetings – A motion by Fruetel, seconded by Minnick to start City Council meetings at 5:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Councilmember Minnick discussed Lion sign additions and misc. park signs.

Next City Council Meeting – The next city council meeting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Thursday, October 12, 2023. The agenda will be posted in the city office window, post office and bank vestibule by Tuesday afternoon. Any change in meeting dates or times will be displayed on the digital sign.

Motion to Adjourn - A motion by Minnick, seconded by Van Hatten, to adjourn the City Council meeting at 6:10 p.m. Motion carried.

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John A. Douville, Administrator/Clerk

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City of Cosmos Brush Site

-Located by the city sanitation ponds-

Days & Hours the Site is Open:
Saturdays 10 AM-3 PM
Wednesdays 7 AM-3:30 PM
-Holidays not included-

-Items to be collected-

- Grass
- Leaves
- Garden Waste
- Brush*

Limited to limbs no larger than 6 inches in diameter and 10 feet in length.

For Cosmos Residents Only!

Thank You!

To all the people that reached out and helped after my golf cart exploded. Special thanks to the Cosmos Fire Department.
I really appreciate it!

Don Kruckeberg

Thank you to the Cosmos Lions for the
$500.00 cash prize
from their raffle Sept 3rd
It will make a good down payment on
the street assessments.
So, again, thank you.
Thanks to Deb and Shirley for the winning ticket.
Also thank you to the Lions for sponsoring the
delicious burgers on Labor Day weekend.
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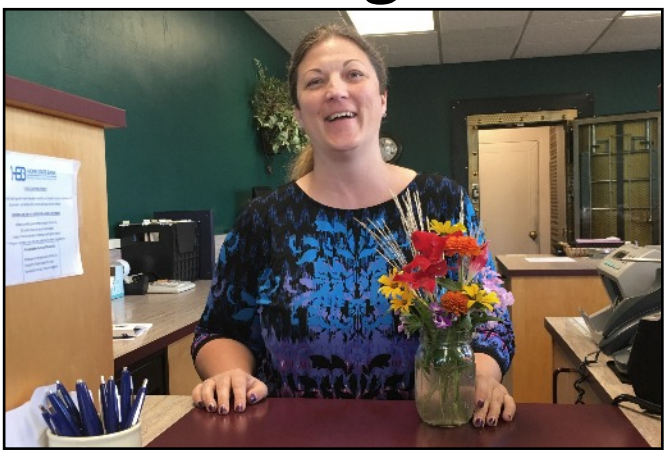

Jodi Chastek, Senior Teller and *head gardener* for HSB Cosmos, is leaving the Cosmos branch and moving on to a new employment venture. I'll miss her but at the same time, I want to wish her good luck.



Guy goes into a bar with a duck under his arm. Bartender says, "Where'd you get the pig?" Guy says, "This is a duck." Bartender says, "I was talking to the duck."

Rodney Dangerfield



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Cosmos, Hector and Buffalo Lake

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Thoughts & Observations



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

Rocktober Fest





-Celebrating 40 Years of Wedded Bliss-
& other important stuff

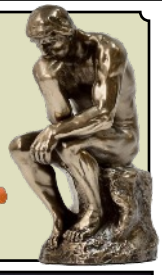
Deb and I are looking forward to our 40th Wedding Anniversary celebration at The Dive on Oct 14th. This'll be my 'last hurrah' till my knee surgery on Oct 24th. So, come and join us for a night of reminiscing, BS'ing, a beer or two and some GREAT rock 'n' roll music! Young or old, be sure to bring your best girl or guy & have some fun. *Or just stand up by the 'band' & say, "Far out man!"*

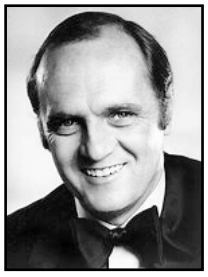
My Orthopedic Odyssey UPDATE

As I am finishing up this column, I happened to glance at the calendar. It's only thirty days till my knee surgery. It's coming fast. I want to let the readers know that there may not be a November Gazette. Depending on how I feel, I may combine the Nov & Dec issues. I'll just have to see how it goes.
Again wish me not luck,
but skilled surgeons.
Fun Fact: After my knee install, I will be "Titanium Man", a character from the 1975 song **"Magneto & Titanium Man"** from the **Venus & Mars** album by Paul McCartney & Wings.
I know, woo hoo…

-Ponderings-

The coffee shop had a sign that said, "No WiFi - Pretend like it's 1973!" So, I laid a quarter on the counter for my coffee, left a nickel for a tip and lit up a cigarette.





"I don't like country music, but I don't mean to denigrate those who do. And for the people who like country music, denigrate means 'put down'."

"Mr. Deadpan"
Bob Newhart





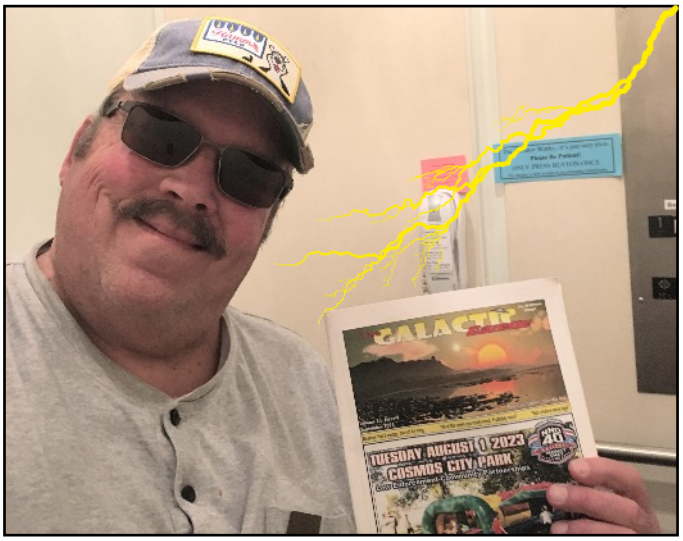
Woids of Wisdom

"We was the hit of the show!"
"Of course there was only 3 acts."
"And 2 of the acts was detained elsewhere."
Larry, Curly & Moe

Old Catholic Gets Stuck in LUTHERAN Elevator

-or-

Where's the Gazette?



Article and selfie (duh) by Mark Minnick

In early September, the ever popular local pastor and saver of souls, Sarah Jones, sent me a 'desperate' email. She indicated that she had not received the latest issue of the Gazette. Bummer.

"Oh the humanity!" I thought, this can't stand. So I hopped *(hopped…yea right)* into my 'save the planet' electric wheelchair and buzzed up to Peace Lutheran Church, proper Gazette in hand.

I rolled into the entryway and scooted right into the elevator. I waited patiently for the door to close, then pressed the number 3 button. And away I went, up, up and stop. Then I felt what seemed like a six inch or so sudden drop down. Clunk!…and then nothing. Door doesn't open, pushing buttons does nothing.

Interesting, I thought. Is God trying to tell me something? Is it because I didn't show up for last Sunday's service? I heard the sermon was great and I'm sorry I missed it. I even kept the sinning down the last week. I did curse at a couple of inanimate objects though, but that was it. What gives?

Then I remembered, God doesn't get as tough on "Luderns" as he does the "D****d rabble rousing Catlics". Being an enlightened believer in the teachings of Martin Luther, you have to remember that I was baptized in the Roman Catholic faith. Ain't no escaping that, baptismal dress and all. So, I still watch out for lightning bolts, I'm very wary of the devil and I enjoy "God's gift to us" - Beer. Everything else can be handled by reciting a few 'Hail Marys' and 'Our Fathers' while working the beads. Cool.

Back to being stranded in the elevator cubicle; I pondered, "Is God getting after me for being a strayed Catholic in a Lutheran elevator? Or was God reminding me that I should study the teachings of Martin Luther a bit more, and show up for Sunday service once in awhile? Hmmm…which way do I roll on this one?

I was brought back to reality when good ol' local Lutheran stalwart Laurel Schiro showed up and saved my heinie. Thanks Laurel, you're my hero! I rolled out of the elevator and proceeded to get that Gazette delivered to Sarah. Bing, bang, boom - all done and I zoomed home. Thirsty, but none the worse for wear.

Next time I get to the church, I probably won't take the elevator. But if I do, I'm gonna grab a six of Hamm's and my rosary, just in case. And I'm still looking out for lightning. *Catholics…(sigh).*



2023 Memorial display courtesy of
The Cosmos Fire & Ambulance Departments



Golf Cart Burns



Pic by Deb Minnick

By Mark Minnick

Sometimes a news story happens right in your back yard. The afternoon of September 17th was one of those times.

Cosmos Cherrywood resident, **Don Kruckeberg** had just turned into the alley between my house and the City Center. When I interviewed him later, he told me he noticed that the cart seat was getting hot, so he turned around and saw smoke bellowing out from under the cart. He got off of the burning vehicle as quick as he could and got a safe distance away.

I heard 'pops' from inside the house, thinking it was firecrackers being shot off by some ne'er-do-well. Wife Deb went out to see what was going on,then hollered back that there was a big fire behind our shed in the alley. No fireworks, nope.

Then pops turned into BOOMS! and BANGS! When I *finally* got over there *(hey, it takes me awhile)* the booms and bangs were done. Fire Chief **John 'Herb" Fruetel** was just finishing up dousing the destructive flames. Seeing the tail end of what had just happened, I thought, "Yea, exploding gas will do that. Nasty stuff when not used as fuel. Looking at the pics, you can see that there wasn't much of anything left.

Surely the best part was that Don or anybody else, didn't get hurt. Well, maybe his feelings were bruised a bit. Things will 'cool off' and he'll be fine. *(see what I did there?)* Afterwards, he mentioned to me that he's now looking for a good used cart.


Fire Chief 'Herb" administers the 'coup de grâce' to the inferno.


Now reduced to a smoldering pile of melted fiberglass and burnt rubber.

Cosmos High School Reunions



CHS Class of '62 Reunion at the Cosmos City Center, September 8th

Front row L-R; Janet (Seaman) Yerks, Maureen (Turner) Schneider, Janet (Zrust) Prokusch, Karen (Ackman) Adams, Jan (Welander) Ackerman, Karen (Anderson) Ortloff, Connie (Thor) Dallmann. *Second row L-R;* Wayne Kessler, Curt Meyer, Ken Anderson, Dave Farmer, Denny Ortloff. Don Kaddatz, Gary Benson, Doug Adams, Ron Brooks, Mardette (Johnson) Trettin. *Pics and info by Curt Meyer*





CHS Class of '69 reunion at The Muddy Cow in Litchfield, September 8th

Front row: Colleen (Lux) Lehrer, Alice (Alberts) Wertz John Johnson, Karen (Adams) Johnson, Lois (Adams) Rothstein & Valerie (Bomstad) Bennett. *2nd row:* Nancy (Luthens) Kurth & Barb (Sladek) Lindahl. *3rd row:* Pat (Sayles) Hepner, Gale Remmel, Gary Kruse, Bob Faber & Jim Stueber. *Far right; Late comer,* Larry Ulrich

Pics and info by Marlene Remmel

Another Cosmos High School Reunion



CHS Class of '73 reunion at Oakdale Golf Club, Buffalo Lake-September 9th

Front: Kevin Mortenson, Bev Swenson Bernier, Carol Hoff Bahr, Linda Peterson Nelson, Donna Retzlaff Peterson

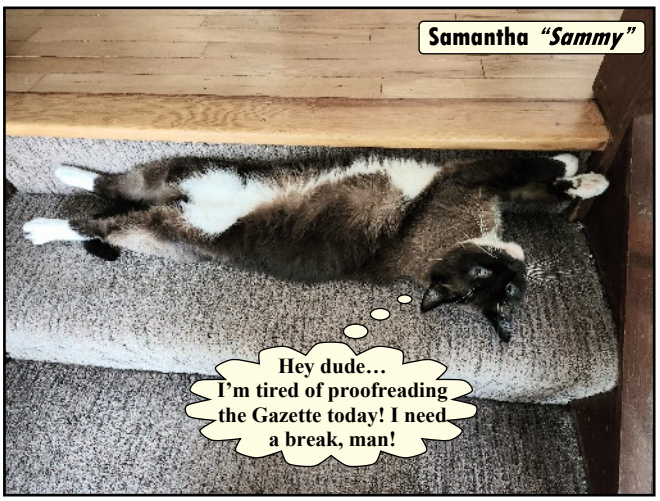
Middle: Bill Holmquist, Julie Benson Fett, Candy Schaefer Coniff, Karen Ulrich Peterson, Marsha Eggert Ciesla, Marlene Weispfennig Valderamma, Karen Gilberts Hoffman, Steven Peterson, Barb Froehlich, Suzette DeLeeuw Peterson

Back: Lowell Pearson, Lorlane Schmeling, LeRoy Renstrom, Vickie Schultz Cunningham, Mike Folsom, Barb Schlueter Schultze, Reed Kaping, Tom Wall, Sharon Garberich Jenkins, Betty Arndt Sturges, DuWayne Kiecker, Mike Krebsbach

Pic & info by Suzette DeLeeuw Peterson



Thoughts from the ~~windowsill~~ carpeted steps of life.



Birthday Club



Pic and info by Gladys Macik

From our birthday club, here are the ladies that had birthdays in September;
Betty N., Donna P., Gladys M., Martha M. and Donna D.

THANK YOU



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Pic by Joyce Karrigan

By Mark Minnick

The Gazette would like to thank **Brent & Marvella Miner** for their great service to the community over the last six plus years. They willingly supported the Gazette too, with an ad *every single month*. During Space Days, they hosted 'street' dances in the parking lot, with live bands rockin' and rollin' it, well into the night. A big crowd pleaser for sure.

They brought numerous bands and DJ's into their ballroom to entertain us over the years too. Heck, I even had a DJ 'concert' event there last March. We all had a *fabulous* time!

We can't forget the **Daily Lunch Specials.** Everything from lasagna to broasted chicken; Home cookin' fer sure. As far as the bar menu, I enjoyed the Shotgun Shrimp. I don't want to forget the **"Liver & Onions"** Fridays either. All of it was ***"Good Stuff Maynard".***

I think you two had a pretty darned good run. Take the time now to ride some motorcycle and play some pull tabs. You know where I live, so stop by sometime. The beer's always cold. Thanks again,

Mark Minnick, Gazette Editor and Liver & Onions Lover





The Little Monster

By Mark Minnick

This summer, wife **Deb** and neighbor **Suzanne Nelson** have been nursing a weak and abandoned kitten back to health. By golly, a little milk replacer and good dose of TLC works wonders. The little girl has grown substantially since these pics were taken in August. She now loves to chew, claw and climb all over. Quite the little mischief maker; A sweet "Little Monster", if you will. I want to call her **"Allie"**, but she has no 'official' name yet.



Danielson Hustlers 4-H Club Report

The September meeting of the Danielson Hustlers 4-H club was held at Windmill park in Grove City. The pledges were recited. The treasurer's report was given. We had no secretary's report.

For old business we talked about the county award celebration. We also did a wrap up of the county and state fairs.

For new business we elected new officers. Our new president will be Elizabeth Thyen, vice president is Mason Overson, reporter is Lauran Arndt, photographers are Maddie Brune, Maggie Lund, and Morgan Sage. The secretary and treasurer will be elected at the next meeting.

Project talks were given by Mason Overson and Cooper Overson. We played two games after the meeting. Refreshments were served by the Overson and Chase families.

The next meeting will be held on October 8th.
Respectfully submitted,
Lauran Arndt, Reporter
Danielson Hustlers 4-H Club Reporter

Checking the Lift Pump



By Mark Minnick

Water & Sewer technician for Cosmos, **Dave Woelfel** *(left)* and the Minnesota Rural Water Association's **Paul Plaetz** *(right)* were in town to do a semi-annual waste water inspection required by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

Here they just got done checking on the amount of 'stuff' being transferred through the town's sewage lift station or the PPP. *(my made up acronym for Poop & Pee Pump)* They're are also looking over some wiring upgrades may have to be done.

*Before Paul left he tossed me this 'promotional memento' to go with his business card. **Funny, but also to the point.**



Having dating issues? Don't know how to fry an egg?
Can't figure out which way's west?
Well, just...



Ask Eunice

She has a good answer for every question.
...and she's always right - just ask her.

*When I'm home from college, sometimes I'm hungry and my mother is taking a nap. Is it OK to wake her up to make me something to eat?
Eunice says; *Don't wake up Mom! There are at least seven species of animals that eat their young. Your mom may be one of them.*

*I'm shy and really, really like this boy. I haven't told any of my friends yet, but somehow everyone at school found out about my crush. How could that happen?
Eunice says; *Embarrassing info spreads three ways;
The internet, the cell phone, and your mother.*

*I had a tough question on my police officer exam, "What would you do if you had to arrest your own grandpa?" How should I have answered that?
Eunice says, *"Easy, call for backup."*

*I have trouble getting girls to go out with me. What can I do?
Eunice says, *"Clean your mirror, spend more than $10 on a haircut and quit wearing the 'nice' blinking Christmas sweater your grandma got you five years ago."*

*My dog is a pain to take on a walk. He pulls really hard, barks a lot and never listens to me. What can I do?
Eunice says, *"Talk nicer to him, ask him where he wants to go walking and bring a nice steak with for a treat. It sounds like he's got you trained, so what the heck, you might as well roll with it."*

*My family has a lot of money and the pretty girls at school are constantly asking me out. But, how can I tell which ones just like me for the money and which ones really like me for me?
Eunice says, *"In the lunchroom at school, spread the word that your parents suck and you're moving out. Throw away your designer clothes and pick up some crappy used jeans and t-shirts at the thrift store. Get rid of the nice, new car your folks bought you and get an old beater. Then move in with your crotchedy old uncle who's living in a $350 a month apartment. That should do the trick in finding true love. Be sure to let me know how it goes."*

*My child will not eat fish.
What can I replace it with?
Eunice says, *"A cat. Cats love fish."*



CHEF IT UP!

"Food and spices….together. What a concept!"
Don't forget to teach a kid how to cook.



Autumn Soup

By Grace Kamrath

Another beautiful day in Minnesota!!!!

Sometimes this seems like such an overwhelming time of year. Trying to finish off the garden with last vegetables freezing and canning, cleaning the shed, painting that should have been done three months ago and last time to cut the lawn. UGH!!! Anyway we still need to eat and so here is a quick soup recipe with things you already have in your cupboard and can keep warm on the stove while you get something else done. YAH!!!

AUTUMN SOUP



- 1 lb. hamburger
- 1/2 c. chopped onion
- 1/2 c. diced celery
- 1 qt. stewed tomatoes
- 2 c. diced potatoes
- 1 c. sliced carrots
- 1/4 c. rice (not instant)

Brown hamburger onions and celery.
Add 1 qt. water, vegetables, rice and salt & pepper as you wish. Cover and simmer for 45 minutes. Serves 6.



Our grandson Sam had just finished his first day of school last September.
"What did you learn today ?" asked his mom, Gail.
"Not enough," said Sam.
"I have to go back tomorrow."

-FREE LITTLE LIBRARY-

Doesn't that sound inviting? A nice box was placed on the speakers stand at our park a couple of years ago by an Eagle Scout. It had become in need of repair which Laurel Schiro did for us. AND NOW we have some new books, some used books all ready for someone to enjoy. The idea is to take a book and read it, keep it, or return it. If you have any books in good condition, feel free to donate them. What a joy to have books to read.



TIDBITS



By Rick Nordin

Greetings and Happy Fall!

September and October are wonderful months in Minnesota. Warm days, cool evenings, and majestic fall colors.

Forgive me, but I need to send out another "shout out" to those who put together the **Lake Lillian Fun Days Centennial**. It could not have gone better. It was a joyous event celebrating the heritage of Lake Lillian and it would not have happened without the many people who volunteered their time over the past couple years. The fruits of their labor shone brightly and were well received by all who attended.

I believe we all have people in our past and present who are making and have made permanent positive impacts on our lives. The last couple weeks Pat and I attended the funerals for two close friends who succumbed to cancer. Dan (age 72) was the original bass player in **The Doc Holliday Band** and Mark (age 71) was a good friend through business. As I listened to the families speak at both funerals, these men touched the lives of hundreds, maybe even thousands of people.

Dan spent much of his career working in Duluth with those less fortunate. He was a gifted social worker and grant writer. There are hundreds of apartments and many housing developments in the Duluth area designated for the less fortunate because of his compassion and care.

I met Dan at a band rehearsal in 1984 *(held in the Lake Lillian school gym)* of what became the Doc Holliday Band. I knew Randy, our pedal steel player, who knew Dan as they had been playing together in another weekend band. After a couple rehearsals, we knew the chemistry was great. Dan was a major part of that chemistry with his gentle spirit, gifted laughter and musicianship.

We met Mark and his wife Linda at a meeting around 1988. Mark's enthusiasm was infectious. His passion was coaching and mentoring entrepreneurs. His personal mission was to live his life as an example of God's unconditional love to all he met.

What I most appreciate about Dan and Mark is, they were the "same person" no matter what situation they were in.

Rest in Peace, my friends.



Where's the Gazette?

Brian & Sharon On The Road Again



In September Brian & I traveled to **Michigan** to visit family and friends. And to especially meet our first great granddaughter **Westlynn Rose** and to watch a grandson **Nate** play football.

The Cosmos couple that live in ***Pastor Fred's*** old house, **Brian & Sharon Burgess,** took an August road trip all the way to **Michigan**. And by golly, they took the ever popular and much heralded ***Galactic Gazette*** with them too! I bet they had to fight off passers by from snatching it away from them when they were taking pics. Uff da. Yea, it's pretty popular you becha. Anyway, Sharon was nice enough to send in pics and commentary from their latest excursion. Enjoy.

then ^



While visiting family near **Detroit**, we ate in a beautifully decorate closed off street with a great big picture frame.



We also stopped to see the **Czech Republic Consulate** in **Northville, Michigan**. Beautiful.
We'd never seen an embassy before.



On our way East, we stopped in **La Claire, Iowa** at the **American Pickers** stores. Always interesting!

It was quite the 2500 mile **ADVENTURE!**

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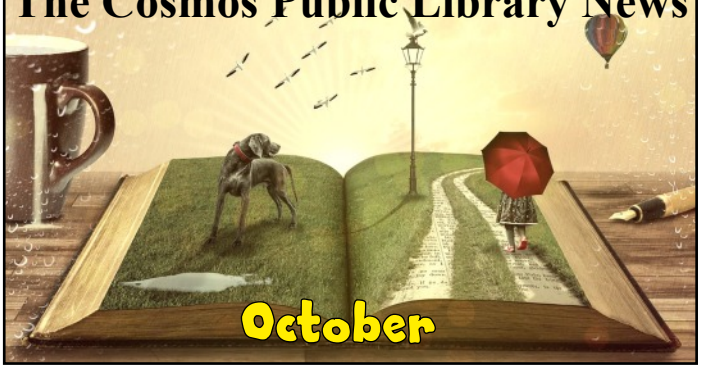


by Beth Cronk, Meeker County Librarian

The Cosmos Public Library is always getting new books, DVDs, and CDs. Stop in to check out or request these novels for adults that are newly added to the Cosmos Library collection:



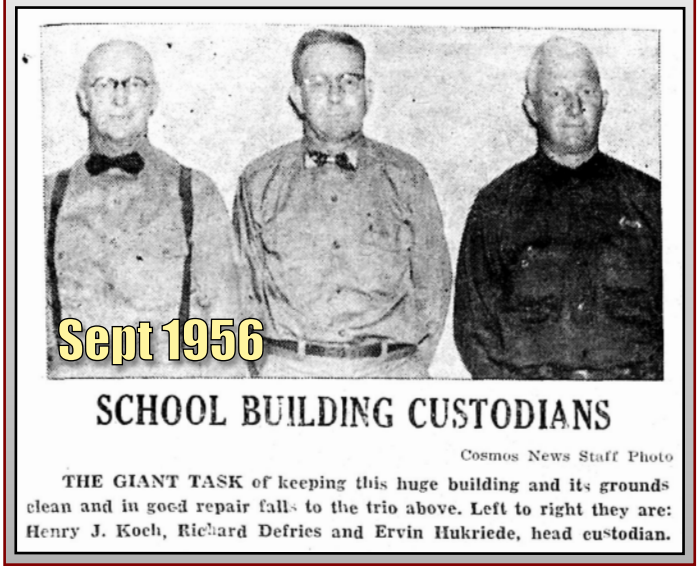
- **After That Night** by Karin Slaughter (large print)
- **Beneath the Surface** by Kaira Sturdivant Rouda
- **Calling Ukraine** by Johannes Lichtman
- **A Chateau Under Siege** by Martin Walker
- **Code of the Hills** by Chris Offutt
- **Code Red** by Kyle Mills
- **Fatal Legacy** by Lindsey Davis
- **Happiness** by Danielle Steel
- **Lion & Lamb** by James Patterson (large print)
- **Out of Nowhere** by Sandra Brown (large print)
- **The People Who Report More Stress:** Stories by Alejandro Varela
- **The River We Remember** by William Kent Krueger

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



I recognized Hank and my grandpa, Dick. I'm not eligible for a kewpie though…*sigh.*
Anyway, somebody old did knew this elite and special group; The ***first*** custodians. He gets a kewpie!

"I do remember these 3 guys, Hank Koch, Dick Defries & Ervin Hukriede. Once again I am showing my age." ***Curt Meyer***

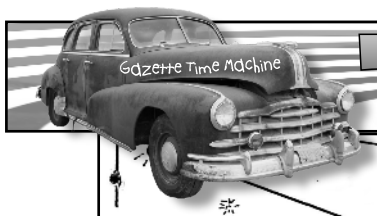


TIME WARP Whozit?



Here's the **CHS Football Squad from 1962.**
Quite the tough looking crew, me thinks.
Can you name any of them;
Coaches, players or student managers?

Whozdem?



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SCHOOL CHATTER

PHY. ED. CLASSES TO TAKE TESTS

The boys' phy ed classes have taken the "Minnesota Physical Fitness" tests, given by Mr. Schoener and Mr. Melvin Anderson. This test is President Kennedy's council on youth fitness. The boys were graded excellent, good, satisfactory or poor.

This week the phy ed girls will be taking this same test.

COSMOLOGY CLUB HAS FIRST MEETING

The Cosmos Cosmology Club has held their first meeting, at which they elected club officers. They are as follows: President, Larry Sharpe, vice president, Terry Melberg, secretary-treasurer, Nancy Olson, Club reporter, Michael Turner.

Their main advisor is Myron Anderson. Their other advisors are Mr. Dubbels, Mr. Raiber, and Mr. Welander.

This club extends a cordial welcome to any new members. Through this club, the members are learning about science and are finding it to be a very interesting and enjoyable field.

STUDENT'S, ASK FOR DENTAL CARDS

This year there will be a supply of dental cards in all dentists offices in Meeker county. When each child has completed his dental work, he must ask the dentist for a card to return to the school. No one will be given credit without return of 'a dental card signed by the dentist.

SENIOR CLASS HAS MAGAZINE SALE

The senior class is very busy carrying on their magazine sale. The purpose of this is to raise money for their class trip to Chicago in the spring.

SEVENTH GRADE HAD BEST ATTENDANCE

The seventh grade class is to be commended for their excellent attendance record for the first six weeks period. They had the best attendance record of grades 7-12.

HOME EC CLASS MADE CUSHIONS

The seventh grade home ec class has made cushions as one of their projects. These varied and original cushions are on display in the home ec room.

COUNTY NURSE CHECKED EARS, EYES

On October 17, Mrs. Sederstrom, county nurse, was in school to check the students' eyes and ears in grades 1, 3 and 5. Among her helpers were: Mrs. Vernon Swigart, Mrs. Vern Haagenson, Mrs. Dorin Anderson, Mrs. Lloyd Mortenson, and Mrs. Stanley Mortenson. On Oct. 30, grades 9-11 will also have their eyes and ears tested.

MARIETTA GAME WAS WEDNESDAY

The Marietta game was played here on Wednesday, Oct. 24, at 2 p.m., instead of Friday as it was scheduled.

MR. LENNON TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

Mr. Lennon will begin the Minnesota School Administrators' Conference Wednesday morning, Oct. 24, which will continue through Friday. This series of meetings is correlated with the MEA meetings.



SERENADE Roger Kamrath gives school officials a little sample of the music that won for him the solo trombone spot with the National FFA Band at Kansas City, recently. Left to right are Stanley Shubert, head of the Cosmos music department; Supt. Gale Lennon; Roger; Principal George Lehmkuhl; and Kenneth Dubbels, advisor of the Cosmos FFA chapter. Roger is wearing the FFA jacket he received while attending the convention. Across the back are the words, "National FFA Band."—Cosmos News staff photo.

Daryle Zrust files for village clerk

COSMOS—One more person filed for election to a village office, here, before filings closed last Saturday.

Latest filing was that of Daryle Zrust, who has filed to oppose Glarence Geier, incumbent village clerk, who has filed for re-election.

Daryle Zrust served in the position of village clerk for one term, ending two years ago, when he did not file for re-election.

This is the only office for which there is a contest. The only other filing is that of James Dvorak, who filed for the position of trustee (councilman) presently held by Henry Larsen. Mr. Larsen has not filed for re-election.

Voters will have to write in the names of the persons for whom they wish to vote on two positions. Nobody has filed for the position of assessor or justice of the peace.

The annual village election will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 6, at the same time as the general election.

Commercial Club

Grid banquet to be Nov. 7

COSMOS—The annual banquet in honor of the Cosmos high school football squad has been scheduled to be held on Wednesday evening, Nov. 7. this year.

The date was set at the monthly meeting of the Cosmos Commercial Club, last Thursday noon.

Victor Eastman was again named general chairman of the banquet, and Paul Peterson will be his assistant. Vern Haagenson was appointed to secure a suitable speaker.

Tickets for folks from this area who wish to attend the banquet and honor the gridders will be on sale soon at $1.50 a plate.

Further details will be announced in a later issue of this newspaper.

In other action, Thursday, the club:

☆ Discussed possibilities of establishing a Welcome Wagon for Cosmos. This matter was tabled until the next meeting.

☆ Heard Selmer Johnsrud and Elmer Krueger of Northern States Power Co. discuss the problems of Christmas street decorations for Cosmos.

According to the pair, Cosmos' street light poles were not wired to accomodate things such as Christmas street lighting. To re-wire would involve a prohibitive cost, they said.

Discussed as possibly the best type of decora-

COMMERCIAL CLUB

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Adolph Holmgren appointed to draft board

LITCHFIELD — Selective Service boards throughout the state of Minnesota have recently been increased from three to five members.

The two new board members appointed to the Meeker County local board are Robert R. Weber, Watkins and Adolph Holmgren, Cosmos.

These two men were recommended to the Local Board by the County Commissioners from their district. However, final appointment was made by the President of the United States on the recommendation of Governor Andersen.

With the addition of these two men, all parts of the county are well represented on the local board. This will mean greater efficiency in the working of the board.

The other members of the Meeker County local board are as follows: Russell H. Peterson, City of Litchfield; Joseph E. Anderson, Dassel and Orville Hendrickson, Rt. 2, Grove City. These men are all uncompensated and perform a great service to their county and their country in this capacity.

Jack Kralick will speak at Cosmos Gridiron Banquet

COSMOS — Jack Kralick, southpaw pitcher for the Minnesota Twins baseball team, has been engaged as the principal speaker at the annual Cosmos high school gridiron dinner.

He will speak and present a recording of portions of his no-hit game at the football banquet on Wednesday evening, Nov. 7, at Cosmos high school auditorium.

Kralick's fame as a pitcher skyrocketed in August this year when he turned in the unusual pitching record of allowing Kansas City no hits when they played the Twins.

Jack was the starting pitcher of the first game of the season for the Twins this year. Though he started poorly in the beginning of the season, when the Twins really needed it, he was usually able to come through His record for the season was 12 wins and 11 losses.

The 26-year-old left hander is a native of Wyandotte, Mich. He is six feet one inch tall and weighs 175 pounds.

Tickets for the football banquet will go on sale this week end at the Cosmos drug store and other places of business in Cosmos. They are $1.50 per plate for adults, and 75 cents for junior high school students and under.

46 students on honor roll for first six-weeks

COSMOS—Forty-six Cosmos high school students were named on the honor roll for the first six weeks period, Principal George Lehmkuhl announced this week.

Of this number, only six gained the coveted "A" honor roll. Three of these were seniors: Janet Boeder, Lynette Halverson and Roger Kamrath; one was a ninth grader, Karen Lietzau; and two were seventh graders, Diane Esping and Loreiei Gassman.

● Four seniors made the "B" honor roll. They were Sandra Habben, Joyce Johnson, Judith Podratz and Linda Renstrom.

● The junior class placed the most students on the "B" honor roll—12. They were: Janet Beckler, Julianne Dahlquist, June Frederiksen, Bunne Frost, Cynthia Grussendorf, James Koerschen, Vernon Lietzau, Nancy Olson, Larry Sharpe, Evilo Swigart, Darlan Wall and Gary Welander.

● Six sophomores were on the "B" honor roll: Pamela Esping, Ruth Faber, Arvid Helin, Peggy Lundstrom, Karen Simon and Patricia Wulkan.

● The freshmen class had seven on the "B" honor roll: Serene Bemis, Susan Benson, Fay Domonoske, Linda Nelson, Jerrel Sharpe, Louise Stockland and Gwendolyn Zins.

● Six eighth graders on the "B" honor roll were Bruce Adams, Julie Fredin, Marie Hacker, Linda Nelson, Sharon Schlender, and Lordell Schmeling.

● Seventh graders on the "B" honor roll were Linda Habben, Gary Pearce, Lorallen Schmeling, Dorothea Steinke and Carol Ulrich.

Firemen called out twice in three days

COSMOS—Members of the Cosmos fire department were called out by two alarms during the past week.

☆ ON FRIDAY afternoon, about 3:30 o'clock, they were called to the John Jordin farm, about three miles north of Cosmos. Here a combine had caught fire while Mr. Jordin was filling in gasoline in the farm yard.

Extensive damage was done to the combine before the blaze could be extinguished.

☆ AT ABOUT 9:15 o'clock, Sunday evening, they were called to the Virgil Dobratz home, about three miles southeast of Cosmos, to fight a chimney fire.

There was considerable smoke damage here, but the fire was brought under control.

Busses and drivers had safety clinic

COSMOS—Local school busses and drivers participated in a safety clinic, here, last week.

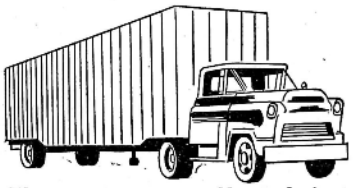
The clinic was conducted by the state highway safety officer for this area.

The busses were inspected for safety factors such as lights, brakes, flags, flares, windshield wipers.

The drivers were shown films and heard special safety procedures explained.

Weather REPORTS

	Hi	Lo
Wedsesday, Oct. 17	65	33
Thursday, Oct. 18	67	39
Friday, Oct. 19	58	28
Saturday, Oct. 20	53	34
Sunday, Oct. 21	63	42
Monday, Oct. 22	48	26
Tuesday, Oct. 23	41	17



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

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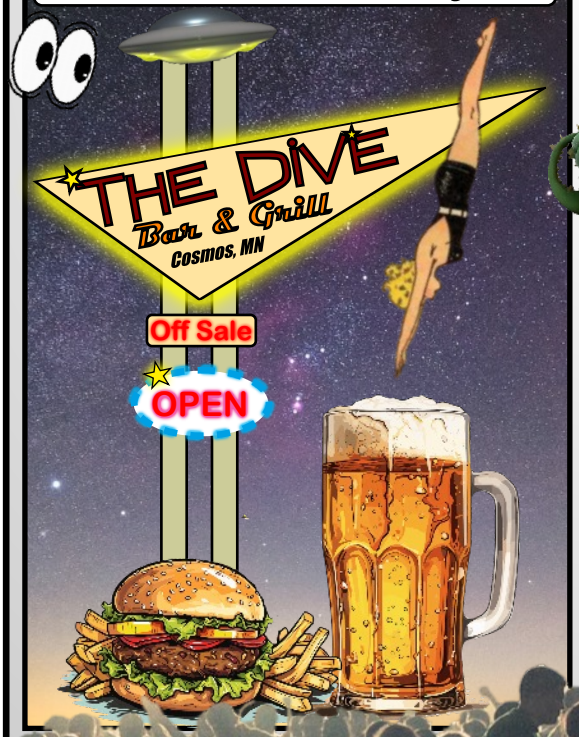

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