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Surf's up boys and girls! Let's rocket to this planet & catch some of these gnarly waves! Dude!

Weather: It's Summer, Woo Hoo! "All of the news you really need. Probably more" "Noli credere omnia legis"

April+Lions+Fire & Ambulance Squad=

Spring Dinner & Dance at Mug Shots in Cosmos



A big crowd showed up for some pork chops and music.



A diverse crew was grillin' the chops. L-R; Duane Martin, Dale 'Tubbs' Martin, John Fruetel, Jake Hanson, Jadi Hopp,*(?)* And Renee Hopp.

Commentary by Mark Minnick Pics by Harry Hank Weseloh

Most locals look forward to an annual event that goes on every April in Cosmos; The **Cosmos Lions Pork Chop Dinner**, followed by the **Cosmos Fire & Ambulance Squad Dance**. By all accounts, this years event held on April 14th at **Mug Shots Bar & Grill**, was as successful as ever. Not too many places anymore that you can enjoy a grilled chop, then listen to some good live music. A great evening, for sure. To the Lions, both Squads, Mug Shots, the Patrons/Supporters and the Volunteers; *Way to Go & "Thank You"!*

Cosmos Fire & Ambulance Squad 2023

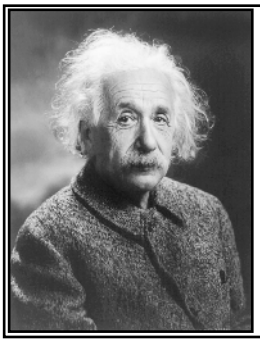


Front row L-R: **Matt Plieseis, Ambulance Captain Emily Van Hatten, Fire Chief Jon Fruetel, Renee Hopp, Ashley Degner**
Back row L-R: **Mike Inselmann, Jake Hansen, Chris Degner, Adam Lietzau, Alex Schmeling, Marc Rothstein, Andrew Pearson**

They 'Hustled'



By Mark Minnick Pic by Harry Hank Weseloh
Every year, the Cosmos Lions get the **Danielson Hustlers 4-H'ers** to help with the Pork Chop Dinner. They surely were a big help again this year. Here they are;
Front L-R: **Grayson Crusoe, Campbell Crusoe, Elise Sage and Porter Crusoe.**
Back L-R: **Mason Overson, Elizabeth Thyen and Cooper Overson.**



"Logic will get you from A to Z, imagination will get you everywhere."

Albert Einstein



The Cosmos Public Library News



"Find Your Voice" *at the Cosmos Library's Summer Reading Program*

by Beth Cronk, Meeker County Librarian

This summer, kids and teens are invited to "Find Your Voice," the theme of this year's summer reading program at the Cosmos Public Library. Speaking, reading, writing, making art, and actions we take are all ways we express ourselves.

Kids and teens up to age 18 can sign up for the self-paced reading program starting Tuesday, May 30. No need to worry if you can't get to the library that day; sign-up continues all summer. The Cosmos program ends August 26. When kids sign up, they'll get a book bag, a bookmark, a small treat, and a reading log.

The summer reading program is always self-paced. Children work their way through the reading game sheets, earning spaces by reading or being read to for 20 minutes (counting up to an hour a day), and by doing other activities like being active for at least 20 minutes, reading aloud to a person or a pet, or attending a library program. For teens, there's a more straightforward sheet for tracking hours of reading. Whenever kids bring in a completed sheet, they can choose from a wide variety of small prizes.

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

Mark your calendars for some special events! The library is hosting a selfie portrait painting class on Friday, June 9, from 5-7 p.m. in the community room. COMPAS Teaching Artist Heidi Jeub will be teaching students to create a portrait of themselves, after teaching them about color mixing, proportion, and composition. This program is open to all ages, but space is limited, so make sure to sign up in advance. Free to attend, this program is funded through the Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

CLIMB Theatre will be performing "The Ant & the Grasshopper" for kids on Thursday, July 6, at 4 p.m. in the community room. This mini-play supports literacy and reading readiness, so it's especially great for young children. In this continuation of Aesop's Fable, "The Ant and the Grasshopper," two friends compete together in the "Find Your Voice" competition. However, hardworking Ant and playful Grasshopper are having trouble finding their harmony. With the help of Queen Bee and the audience, Ant and Grasshopper will learn to BEE kind, BEE a friend, and BEE together as they work toward creating a sound where everyone's voice is a part of the chorus. This is another program funded through the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund. As with all library events, it's free to attend. There's no need to sign up in advance for this performance.

This summer the library is bringing back the Cosmos Creation Club. Kids can come build with the library's Legos and complete challenges on the second Monday of each month from 2-3 p.m.: June 12, July 10, and August 14. No need to sign up in advance. Open to kids age 5 and up, but children younger than 8 must be accompanied by a caregiver age 13 or older.

Cosmos Library will be offering fun activities available any time kids visit this summer. A Letters of Kindness station will give people the opportunity to write encouraging notes to others. Library users can make their voices heard by voting in fun polls at the library. Watch for other fun programs to be announced as the summer gets closer!



For current information, visit the library's website at cosmos.lib.mn.us or the Cosmos Library Facebook page, or visit the library in person to learn more about what's offered this summer.





Thoughts from the ~~windowsill~~ kitchen counter of life.

By Mark Minnick

Ralphie is at it again, checking out a loaf of bread fresh outta the grocery bag. This may be his feline thought process and rationalization; *"It was right here in front of me and you turned around for 30 seconds. What was I supposed to do with it? Look at it? Honest to goodness, it called to me, 'Ralphie, Ralphie!' Besides, bread don't eat itself."* Cat logic, for sure.



MINUTES
CITY OF COSMOS
REGULAR MEETING
April 13, 2023

A regular meeting of the Cosmos City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas McCarthy at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday April 13, 2023.
COUNCIL PRESENT: Council Members Emily Van Hatten, Jody Fruetel, Mark Minnick and Angelica Hopp.
ALSO PRESENT: John Douville and David Medina
Adopt Agenda – A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Fruetel, to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.
Adopt Consent Agenda – A motion by Minnick, seconded by Van Hatten, to adopt the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

a. March 9, 2023 City Council Minutes
b. Meeker County Sheriff – Mar 2023 Report
c. Past Due Utility Bills
d. LMCIT – Annual non-waiver of Statutory Tort Limits

Public Hearing North Saturn St. – With funding left over from Phase I of the Street and Utility Reconstruction project, it was determined there were issues with the utility lines covering a block of N. Saturn St.
A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Minnick, to recess the regular city council meeting and open the Public Hearing to discuss the project and potential assessments to properties along North Saturn St. Motion carried.

City Engineer Josh Halvorson reviewed the one block project with the council and public. There are four properties to be assessed for $42,240 with a total project cost of $447,940. The balance of the funds will be paid with by grants and loans from USDA Rural Development.
There were some general comments regarding the need for the project and there were no written comments received.
A motion by Minnick, seconded by Van Hatten, to close the public hearing and reconvene the regular city council meeting at 5:55 p.m.. Motion carried.

Resolution 23_04 Declaring Costs to be Assessed and Ordering Preparation of Proposed Assessment – A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Fruetel, to approve Resolution 23_04 Declaring Costs to be Assessed and Ordering Preparation of Proposed Assessment. Motion carried.

Resolution 23_05 Adopt Hearing of Proposed Assessment – A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Hopp, to approve Resolution 23_5 Adopt Hearing on Proposed Assessment. Motion carried.

Visitors Presentations, Petitions and Correspondence

MNDOT Access – Dale Van Loh was present to discuss access improvements off of Highway 7. No action was needed by the City of Cosmos
Troy Doering was present to discuss his vehicle being towed off of the sidewalk after a snowfall. No action was taken by the city council.
April 13, 2023 Bills List - A motion by Hopp, seconded by Fruetel, to approve the April 13, 2023 bills list with check numbers from 16096-16138 for $57,217.92. Motion carried**.**
Liquor License – Tyler Ellman is in the process of purchasing Mugshots and looking to apply for the applicable liquor licenses. A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Hopp, to approve the liquor licenses for Mr. Ellman upon receipt of the proper liquor license forms and insurance. Motion carried**.**
Resolution 23_03 Adopt Meeker County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan – A motion by Minnick, seconded by Fruetel, to approve Resolution 23_3 Adopt Meeker County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion carried.
Water/Waste Water License – A motion by Fruetel, seconded by Minnick, to appoint David Medina as the certified water/wastewater operator for the City of Cosmos. Motion carried.
Fire Relief Retirement Benefit – Administrator Douville reported on the annual firemen's relief benefit, currently at $1,700 per year of active volunteer firefighting service. The benefit totals, paid for by the State of MN, is currently at a healthy 122% of retirement liabilities, down from 150% in 2021. It was recommended that no action be taken to increase the benefit this year.
Sunday Liquor Ordinance – A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Minnick, to set a public hearing, for Sunday liquor sales ordinance change, in May. Motion carried**.**
Spring Clean-Up – West Central Sanitation will not do a curbside spring clean up this year due to lack of staffing. The City of Cosmos will set a date to be determined and WCS will provide a drop off site for Cosmos citizens to dump off items to be discarded.

Department Heads

David Medina, Public Works Operator, reported on concerns of mud coming onto the roads from the recycling center. The city will work with the business to make sure the streets are maintained properly.
Brush Site – A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Fruetel, to authorize the brush site to be open 10-3 on Saturday's and every Wednesday from 7 am – 3:30 p.m. through May. Limbs no larger than 6" in diameter and 10' in length shall be received by the brush site. Motion carried.
Seasonal Help – A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Minnick, to authorize personnel committee to review seasonal help applications and offer seasonal, temporary employment. Motion Carried.
May Council Meeting – A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Hopp, move the May City Council meeting to 5:00 p.m. May 4, 2023. Motion Carried.
Next City Council Meeting – The next city council meeting is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. Thursday, May 4, 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 Van Hatten, seconded by Fruetel, to adjourn at 7:03ol p.m. Motion carried.
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John A. Douville, Administrator/Clerk

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COUNCIL ABSENT: Angelica Hopp
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Adopt Agenda – A motion by Minnick, seconded by Van Hatten, to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.
Adopt Consent Agenda – A motion by Fruetel, seconded by Minnick, to adopt the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

a. April 13, 2023 City Council Minutes
b. Past Due Utility Bills

VISITORS PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDANCE

Curtis Meyer, 410 Taurus Ave W., Cosmos was present to discuss his shrubs that were removed from his property during last year's construction. City Engineer Josh Halvorson stated they would take a look at it.

Resolution 23_06 A Hearing on Proposed Assessment Phase I, Change Order No. 2 A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Fruetel, to approve Res 23_06 Ordering an Assessment Hearing for Phase I, Change Order No. 2. Motion carried.

Public Hearing Ordinance 112.32 Hours of Operation Malt Liquor - A motion by Minnick, seconded by Van Hatten, to recess the city council meeting and open the public regarding Ordinance 112.32 Hours of Operation Malt Liquor at 5:15 p.m. Motion carried.

There were no written or verbal comments regarding Ordinance 112.32

Public Hearing Ordinance 112.32 Hours of Operation Malt Liquor - A motion by Minnick, seconded by Van Hatten, to close the public hearing and reconvene the regular city council meeting at 5:20 p.m. Motion carried.

Ordinance 112.32 Hours of Operation Malt Liquor – A motion by Fruetel, seconded by Van Hatten, to approve changing Ordinance 112.32 Malt Liquor sales may begin at 8:00 am on Sundays. Motion carried.

May 4, 2023 Bills List - A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Minnick, to approve the May 4, 2023 bills list with check numbers from 16140-16207 for $48,066.63. Motion carried**.**

Federal EV Charging Station Grant – Administrator Douville discussed a federal grant for 80% cost sharing for building an EV charging station. A motion by Van Hatten, seconded by Fruetel, to approve applying for the grant before the deadline. Ayes: Fruetel, Van Hatten, McCarthy Nays: Minnick Motion carried**.**

Department Heads

David Medina, Public Works Operator, discussed trailers being parked on the streets. Notices will be given out to owners to remove the trailers.

Next City Council Meeting – The next city council meeting is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. Thursday, June 8, 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 Fruetel, seconded by Van Hatten, to adjourn at 6:00 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-

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June Daily Lunch Specials

T	1	BLT w/potato salad
F	2	Broasted chicken dinner
M	5	Closed
T	6	Country fried steak dinner
W	7	Pizza hotdish
T	8	Roast beef dinner or commercial
F	9	Taco salad
M	12	Closed
T	13	Sloppy Joe's w/potato salad
W	14	Broasted chicken dinner
T	15	Beef stroganoff
F	16	Pork chop dinner
M	19	Closed
T	20	Chicken tacos w/tots
W	21	Country fried steak dinner
T	22	Meatball sub w/coleslaw
F	23	Salisbury steak dinner
M	26	Closed
T	27	Spaghetti & meatballs
W	28	Meatloaf dinner or commercial
T	29	Chicken breast w/Rice-A-Roni
F	30	Potato hotdish

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Potato Salad & Coleslaw Are Back!



"Stop By & Say Hi!"

Meeker County Dairy Association invites you to

DINNER ON THE DAIRY

Friday, June 16th 5:00-8:00 pm

Hosted by RU-BE Dairy

Patrick & Rachael Rusch and Joe & Karen Becker

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- Check out their new 40-stall rotary parlor
- Meet the Meeker County Dairy Royalty
- Meet Princess Kay of the Milky Way
- Many kid activities
- Free will donation meal: grilled cheese sandwich, chips, cookie, & milk



Thank you to our platinum event sponsors!!

Easter Bunny Fun









Jillian Bjur and Jordan Bjur
Pic by Anita Bjur

Pics and commentary by Jan Lux

As usual, the Cosmos Comets did a fantastic job. Always so much fun for the kids. Young and old enjoyed their time lunch and prizes. The community club served the lunch and gave out our prizes.

The boy's prizes went to **Jamison Olson** and **Aiden Christiansen**. The girl's prizes went to **Brent Lee** and **Violet Whitcomb**.

Shirley Bjur donated two beautiful Easter quilts. One was given to each boy and girl a big thank you for a wonderful gift.

We had 55 kids sign up for prizes, and I am sure not all registered. A wonderful, big crowd and thank you all for coming and making it a big success.



Hey Seniors!

To all of you kids fifty plus years young,
we'd love to have you join the

Cosmos Senior Club.

On the last Wednesday
of every month, we meet at

Mugshots Bar & Grill

at 11:00 AM for lunch.

The meal costs $7.00

(or you can eat off of the menu.)

Afterwards, the group usually plays some Nickel Bingo. *(Las Vegas, baby!)* We also try to go on some fun and entertaining day trips during the course of the year.

You are welcome to come and join the fun!

Contact Linda Hopp at 320-221-0358



Haley Wilner

Graduate from ACGC

-Open House Party-

Saturday, June 10

2-5 PM

**At the Pat & Ole Wilner farm*

Parents are Kris & Eric Wilner



We had a couple of readers get us answers for last month's Whozit? Here they are…

Hey….wait a minute!

Just got my Galactic today. John Frederiksen is on the left & Gale Remmel is on the right. ***Marlene Remmel***

Gazette Whozit…Freddy and Gale Remmel ***Shirley Reinert***

Spring 1969
MEET THE SENIORS

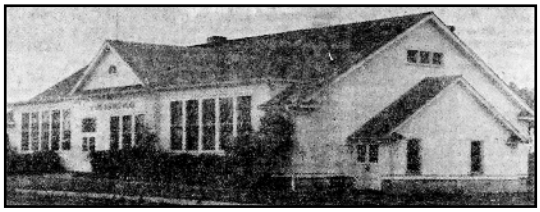


John Frederiksen



Gale Remmel

Notice: The Gazette is looking for old photos of school houses or buildings that were used in any of the old Cosmos District(s).



If you have any information, please let me know.

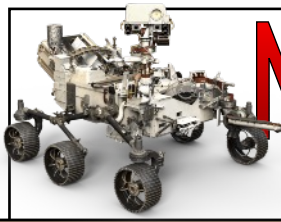
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Science, Tech and Just Plain Cool Stuff



Artwork courtesy Roy Snyder



NASA's Perseverance Rover

Captures View of Mars' Belva Crater



The 152 images that make up this mosaic of Belva Crater were taken by the Mastcam-Z instrument aboard NASA's Perseverance Mars rover on April 22, 2023, the 772nd Martian day, or sol, of the mission. Belva is a 0.6-mile-wide (0.9-kilometer wide) impact crater within the much larger Jezero Crater.

Credits: NASA/JPL-Caltech/ASU/MSSS

Images and article courtesy nasa.gov

The Mastcam-Z instrument aboard NASA's Perseverance Mars Rover recently collected 152 images while looking deep into Belva Crater, a large impact crater within the far larger Jezero Crater. Stitched into a dramatic mosaic, the results are not only eye-catching, but also provide the rover's science team some deep insights into the interior of Jezero.

"Mars rover missions usually end up exploring bedrock in small, flat exposures in the immediate workspace of the rover," said Katie Stack Morgan, deputy project scientist of Perseverance at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Southern California. "That's why our science team was so keen to image and study Belva. Impact craters can offer grand views and vertical cuts that provide important clues to the origin of these rocks with a perspective and at a scale that we don't usually experience."

On Earth, geology professors often take their students to visit highway "roadcuts" – places where construction crews have sliced vertically into the rock to make way for roads – that allow them to view rock layers and other geological features not visible at the surface. On Mars, impact craters like Belva can provide a type of natural roadcut.



Nature and the Great Outdoors

Hey, it's nice outside!

The 'Other' Opener



Article by Mark Minnick Pics and brown trout by Marshall Haley

There is a fishing opener in Minnesota that doesn't have the word 'walleye' in it, believe it or not. For those not in the know, It's the **Minnesota Stream Trout Opener**, that was on April 15th. Most of us folks from the 'land-of-lakes say, "Huh? No heading up north where the big ones are? No minnows, no crawlers, no goofy trolling songs. And if you're not trolling, how the heck do you catch fish? Keep reading, you may be enlightened like I was.

The Gazette's own **Renville County Outdoors Correspondent**, ***Marshall Haley***, happens to be a budding fly fishing angler and pursuer of the wily trout; be it brown or brookie. Not in Colorado, California or Oregon; but right here in Minnesota. He is also self taught; no lessons or classes. Cool.

He and his mom headed down to the southeastern part of the state to partake in said fishing opener, staying at **The Old Barn Resort**, *(above)* rural Preston, Minnesota. Located north of Lanesboro and south of Preston, the quaint resort is nestled into a wooded area just off of the south branch of the **Root River**. This is a scenic and bucolic area of the state that many Minnesotans aren't even aware of. *(I know I should get down that way more often, but the lack of lakes makes me nervous... ;)*

Despite the dreary spring weather, Marshall still got the waders wet, casting here and there to 'fishy looking' spots on the river. *(And never fell down stepping into a hole or tripping on a rock, not even once!)* He got into the fish to the tune of *seventeen* brown trout, *(all released)* with the biggest being **fourteen inches**. Nice outing for sure.



The best part? Marshall caught all of the fish on a fly he tied himself, in the tried and true **"Wooly Booger"** pattern. *(and no, he didn't use any minnows, leeches or 'crawlers.)* It's gotta be satisfying to catch a fish on something you make yourself. Very cool me thinks, very cool.



Marshall mentioned, "I'm just happy I caught something because I talked with a person at the fly shop down here and they said most people come down here for months and not catch a fish at all. So he said I was doing a bunch of stuff right. That made me feel pretty good."

You should feel good Marshall, thanks for sharing your Trout Opener experience with us! You make me want to pick up a fly fishing outfit rod & reel. Then a floppy, tattered cap with tied flies stuck in it. What's next, a wicker creel? A Subaru? An L.L. Bean flannel shirt? Oh Lordy! I forgot-I can't walk, much less wade! Idiot.

I guess I better stick with mesotrophic lakes, baitcasters and the CD player in my sparkly boat. And all my lures. *Ahhh, now that's better...that's better...get me a cold Hamm's too.*

Note: Fly Fishing is a great sport and pastime. I'm just making fun of myself not being able to partake in said activity. Fish on folks, fish on...and you too Marshall.





Nature and the Great Outdoors

Hey, it's nice outside!



April 6th, the migrating birds met at the other local 'watering hole' a mile and a half west of town. Snow geese, Canadian geese, swans and a pheasant all loudly shared stories of their journeys with each other.

Pic and commentary submitted by Suzanne Nelson, Cosmos



April 12th, the swans were setting down south of Cosmos on a temporary pond in some corn stubble.

Pic and commentary submitted by Deb Minnick, Cosmos

Nature and the Great Outdoors

Comment by Mark Minnick Pics by Deb Minnick

Hey, it's nice outside!

Wife Deb took a trip to Litchfield in the middle of May and stopped by for a look at Anderson gardens.
Not much more to talk about - the sign pretty much says it all.







Where's the Gazette?

The Gazette has another couple of big adventures to take a look at this week. Enjoy both stories and be a little jealous, it's OK.

then

Las Vegas

Myrtle Beach

Brent & Marvella

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Mindy & Sarah

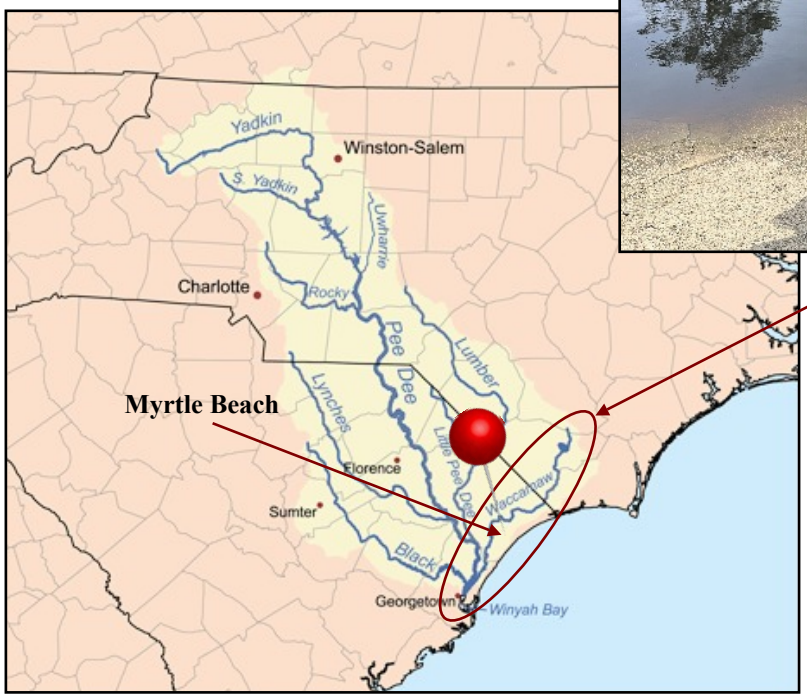
Should We Learn Stuff or Kayak?

Hmmm...Let's See...

Pic and commentary by Pastor Sarah Jones

Pastor Mindy, *(in front) and* ***I*** *(in back)* both serve congregations in the Cosmos area. We traveled to **Myrtle Beach, South Carolina** for continuing education. During our time there, we had an opportunity to kayak on the **Waccamaw River**.





The Waccamaw River is a river, approximately 140 miles (225 km) long, in southeastern North Carolina and eastern South Carolina in the United States. It drains an area of approximately 1,110 square miles (2886 km²) in the coastal plain along the eastern border between the two states into the Atlantic Ocean. Along its upper course, it is a slow-moving, blackwater river surrounded by vast wetlands, passable only by shallow-draft watercraft such as canoe. Along its lower course, it is lined by sandy banks and old plantation houses, providing an important navigation channel with a unique geography, flowing roughly parallel to the coast.

Map and information courtesy wikipedia.com.

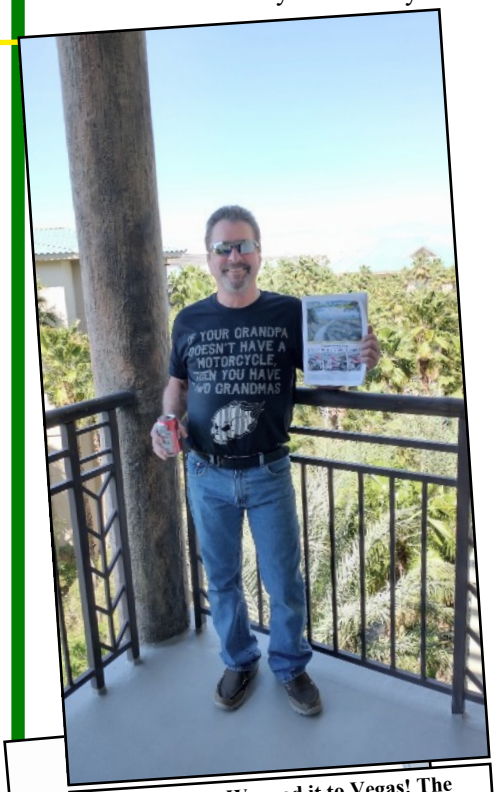
Viva Las Vegas!



Vegas Vacation

Commentary by ***Mark Minnick*** *Pics & captions by* ***Brent Miner***

Mid April, Brent and Marvella Miner took a little time off and went to **Las Vegas, NV**. They were nice enough to take the Gazette with them and show the readers some of the sights they saw and the fun they had. I wonder if it was a **'Viva Las Vegas'** vibe, with ***Elvis & Ann-Margret*** or a **'Vegas Vacation'** vibe, as in ***"Why don't you give me half the money you were gonna bet, then we'll go out back…"*** you know the rest. Anyway, enjoy the pics and comments that Brent sent the Gazette. Maybe even buy him a Bud or two when you see him next time.



It's official…We mad it to Vegas! The Gazette and I, enjoying our first Budweiser.



In front of arguably one of the most famous pawn shops in the world.



Ok, it's not the real sign, but I wasn't standing in line for an HOUR just to get a pic.



From the top of the Stratosphere, *inside*.



From the top of the Stratosphere, *outside* in a 40 mph wind!



And of course, on Fremont Street.

Summer Fun

It's Time for Some Softball!

Pee Wee's
6-10 yr olds
-Every Monday Evening, 6:30 pm-
Starts June 5th

Adult Co-ed's
-Friday Nights 7:00 PM-
June 9th
July 7th
***Space Festival Tourney*-July 15th**
July 21st
July 28th
***Cosmos Lions Labor Day Tourney*-Sept 2nd & 3rd**

Pee Wee's
10 yr olds & up
-Every Tuesday Evening, 6:30 pm-
Starts June 6th



The concession stand will be open for all games. Be sure to stop on down and enjoy a hotdog, brat, or popcorn plus more.

C'mon Down & Have Some **Fun!**

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The Cosmos Lions

"We Serve"

Remember, we are always looking for new gals or guys to become members & join us.
Feel free to talk to any Lions member or email; **cosmoslions@mac.com**

Cosmos Lions-Ditch Trash Pros?



Pics and commentary by ***Ben Hanson****, (above)* ***Corvuso News & Weather Correspondent and Cosmos Lions President***

For the last 33 years your local Cosmos Lions Club has been cleaning the Highway 7 road ditches (twice a year spring and fall) one mile east and one mile west of Cosmos. That is a running total of 264 miles! This spring we accumulated a dozen bags of pure Minnesota garbage!

Over the years we have found....

A phone card, cell phone, i-pod, credit card, state utility improvement material, un identifiable objects, gas caps, bottle caps, winter caps, summer caps, woman's panties (no bra), a winning lottery ticket, a $20 bill stuffed in a cigarette pack, beer bottles, gin bottle, pop bottles, pill bottles, whiskey bottles, energy drink bottles, Ford hub caps, Dodge hub caps, Chevy hub caps, lots of chip wrappers, candy wrappers, pizza plates, pop cups, coffee cups, and a live cat (hunting for mice I'm sure).

Here I am in front of the official MNDOT Adopt A Highway sign for the Cosmos Lions Club with one of many buckets of garbage found along the adopted stretch of Highway 7.

(Nice garbage Ben, nice; editor.)

I would like to remind you that you too can become a Lions member and give back to the community. Ditch cleaning is only one of the many events the Lions do to give back to your community.

The Lions are looking for new community participants to help give back to the community with new events. We are looking for new community events. Senior, adult, children, and community Lion sponsored events.

Previous event ideas have been winter ski trips, summer tour trips, community clean up days, Space Festival events, kids peddle pull, kids bounce house, fire works, start a Lions Facebook page, and any other ideas you may have to give back, grow, and beautify the community.

To participate with your Cosmos Lions Club please call or text your current President at 612-269-1549 or email cosmoslions@mac.com.



12 bags-Count 'em! ***(I don't even wanna know about the rubber hose. Ed.)***

TIDBITS



Greetings! April weather has not been boring this year, but it never is in Minnesota. We were able to sneak in a couple afternoon rides on the motorcycle when the temperatures got warm for a few days. It was a marvelous sidetrack to shrug off the long winter blues. We hope the spring/summer storms stay away this year. There still is much storm damage repair to be completed from the May 2022 storms.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Mark "Gator" Dallmann, who unexpectedly passed in March. Mark was a good friend and neighbor. He hired our sons to work for him picking rock and pulling weeds for many summers.

Gator was a lifelong Harley rider and made many trips to the Black Hills with his friends over the decades. If you did not know Gator, you may have been a bit uneasy meeting him the first time with his thick head of hair, full beard, deep reedy voice and a large man's stature. However, if you took the time to have a conversation with him, you quickly discovered Gator was a big hearted, friendly, fun-loving man.

Back in the day, Gator was a bouncer at the club in Kandiyohi when I played with The Doc Holliday Band. I don't remember a confrontation when he was at the door. I am sure there were times when he had to use his unnatural strength to calm a situation, but I never witnessed it.

In 2010, we purchased our first Harley touring bike. I was excited to tell Gator as he knew we had been looking. He asked if we needed to get it picked up as snow was still on the ground. He volunteered to drive his pickup and trailer to pick it up from a private party 3 hours away.

I'll never forget the ride and many of the topics we touched on. At one point in the journey, a Johnny Cash song came on the radio and Gator started singing in full voice with the song. I had not heard Gator sing before and sat there with goose bumps as Gator had a beautiful stage quality voice. With his deep reedy baritone, he sang a 2-minute Johnny Cash Tribute concert just for me.

He shrugged off the praise I gave and we never spoke of it again. That simple connection was special. At his funeral, a neighbor and friend of Gator, Mike Kutzke, provided a wonderful tribute mentioning Gator's "teasing ways". There was a lot of laughter. I am sure those in attendance all had a similar "Gator" story of their own. By no coincidence, Johnny Cash was singing over the speakers of the church as we left the sanctuary. RIP my friend.

Be safe out there and have a great month of May.



Words of Wisdom

"She promised to meet me at 10 o'clock. It's now half past eight and she's not here yet!"
"I think she'll be comin' round the mountain when she comes."
Moe & Curly Howard

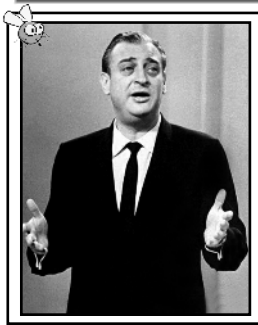
Wednesday Evening
Potluck & Worship Services

5 pm Potluck
Followed by Worship at 6 pm

June 21 | at Church – Day Camp Worship
July 26 | in the City Park
August 23 | in the City Park

Come...bring your neighbors and friends!
ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

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"My wife's cooking is so bad that the flies fix our screens."

Rodney Dangerfield



TIDBITS



June Column



By Rick Nordin

Greetings! Here is a reprint of my **June 2003 article**: I thought the reference to the interest rates and insurance rates is interesting 20 years later. Seems we have completed a full circle.

We have already celebrated *the first major holiday of summer. Hope you had a wonderful Memorial Day weekend. These are interesting times. Interest rates remain at a low level for both investments and loans. 30 year fixed mortgages are being quoted at 5.25% and 15 year fixed mortgages at 4.75%. This is very good time for a home and auto buyer. However, Certificate of Deposit rates continue at 3% and under and investments continue to be very soft. I have spoken to many people who have watched their retirement funds decrease in the stock market as much as 65% since the 9/11 attack. OUCH!!*

Hopefully the stock market will rally and new gains will be realized. Hand in hand with the soft stock market, the insurance industry is still in a "hard market" as a result of poor loss results and low returns on investments, thus making the premiums increase and underwriting tougher. We are in changing times.

However, in all changing times, new opportunities develop. Our nation provides opportunities unseen by the rest of the world. Even though we are experiencing uncertain economic times, the people of our nation are resilient and create positive results.

One of the many new career paths that have developed in recent years as a direct result of lay-offs is the "business consultant". Here is a humorous story making fun of this industry…

A Shepherd was herding his flock *in a remote pasture when suddenly a brand-new BMW advanced out of the dust cloud towards him. The driver, a young man in a Brioni suit, Gucci shoes, Ray Ban sunglasses and YSL tie, leaned out the window and asked the shepherd, "If I tell you exactly how many sheep you have in your flock, will you give me one?" The shepherd looked at the man, obviously a yuppie, then looked at his peacefully grazing flock and calmly answered, "Sure."*

The yuppie parked his car, whipped out his lap top and connected it to a cell phone, then he surfed to a NASA page on the internet where he called up a GPS satellite navigation system, scanned the area, and then opened up a database and an Excel spreadsheet with complex formulas. He sent an e-mail on his Blackberry and, after a few minutes, received a response. Finally, he prints out a 150-page report on his hi-tech, miniaturized printer then turns to the Shepherd and says, "You have exactly 1,586 sheep."

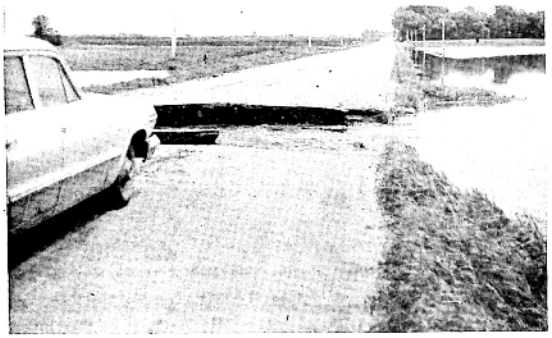
"That is correct; take one of the sheep," says the shepherd, and watches the young man select one of the animals and bundle it into his car. Then the Shepherd says: "If I can tell you exactly what your business is, will you give me back my sheep?" "OK, why not." answered the young man.

"Clearly, you are a consultant." says the shepherd. "That's correct," says the yuppie, "but how did you guess that?" "No guessing required," answers the shepherd. "You turned up here although nobody called you. You want to get paid for an answer I already knew, to a question I never asked, and you don't know poop about my business. ***"Now give me back my dog."***



Continue to pray for peace and safety for our nation, the world, and the men and women who are in harm's way protecting and preserving peace. Have a great month of June.

Cloudbursts inundate area, wash out road, cave in greenhouse



BIG CANYON was dug by the water as it rushed across the county road, one mile south of Cosmos. When this picture was taken, on Saturday afternoon, the water had gone down considerably, but still rushed at a fast pace through the breach.



END OF THE LINE on Renville County Road 11 is just ahead, as car stops at the end of the water-covered portion. Fields on either side of the road look like lakes.



INSTANT LAKE was what became of this field in northern Renville County after the Friday night storm. Although this field is tiled, the tile was not able to take the water away as fast as it came in.

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A HERD OF CATTLE graze on a knoll along the Crow River, which has become an island formed by the overflow water from the river. The Crow River flows in front of them. Water behind them is filling low spots on the banks.

COSMOS - A large area south of the village of Cosmos was nearly inundated by torrential rains which fell in this area on Friday.

The deluge created virtual flood conditions in some areas, turning fields into lakes, washing out at least one road, swamping some cars in three-to four-foot deep water, causing at least one auto crash, and caving in the side of a greenhouse.

Rain gauges in the south part of the village of Cosmos recorded a rainfall of slightly over two inches that afternoon and evening. Southward, rainfall was progressively heavier, with many gauges in Renville county recording more than four inches of rain.

The deluge follows several weeks of on and off rainy conditions which have greatly hampered planting operations in this area. Many fields are still unplanted. As a matter of fact, many not only are unplowed, but still have unharvested corn from last fall.

With the ground thoroughly soaked by the frequent rains, most fields have some water standing in them, but in the northern Renville county area, many of the fields have looked like lakes, standing many feet deep in water in some of the lower places. Although most fields are tiled, the tile has not been able to take off the water as fast as it has been flowing in.

Friday's heavy downpour, even saw some hail falling. In some areas, farmers reported hail thick enough to look like the ground was covered with snow. In the village of Cosmos, some hail fell, too, but not thick enough to do any damage.

Damage to crops is difficult to assess as yet. Many fields are yet unplanted, while most others crops were not yet up.

A portion of Renville county Road No. 11, a blacktopped road running east and west about seven miles south of Cosmos, was completely inundated by water when Buffalo Creek became swollen and went way out of its banks. A stretch of the road about an eighth of a mile long went under water.

Several cars drove into the underwater road not realizing how deep it was, only to find themselves submerged up over the hood in some cases.

The Crow River, too, was up high over its banks. At Cosmos it flooded the slough at the west edge of town until it looked like a lake.

The county road running east and west, one mile south of Cosmos, was washed out by a rampaging creek near the Pat Schiro farm. The culvert under the road was unable to handle the excessive pressure of the water. The force of the stream apparently ate its way through the road beside the culvert and soon washed it out completely.

A section of the road about 20 feet wide was washed down the stream and into the Crow River.

A 30-foot section of the north wall of Hillside Greenhouse, about three miles south of Cosmos, caved in from excessive rains. As its name implies, the greenhouse is built on a hillside. The water caused a veritable mud-slide which flowed into the greenhouse. Fortunately, not too many plants were destroyed by the cave-in, and the firm's owners, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Erlenbusch, were able to get the place cleaned up and back into business in a couple of days.

Rains have continued to fall in this area, with another cloudburst on Monday driving Memorial Day services inside.

Cars collide in Friday's rain storm

COSMOS - At least one automobile accident was caused in part by the heavy rain which hit this area on Friday.

Two drivers of the cars involved in the accident were taken by Cosmos ambulance to the Hutchinson hospital where they were treated for minor injuries and released.

They were Glenn Horky of Rt. 2, Hector, an employee of Minnick's 66 station at Cosmos, and Emil Rath of Buffalo Lake.

Horky, driving south on highway 4, one mile south of Cosmos, at about 5:15 p.m. planned to make a left turn onto the county road.

While he was waiting for about four cars traveling north on highway 4 to pass before turning left, he was struck from behind by the Rath car. The wet condition of the roadway apparently created a slippery condition making it impossible for Rath to stop in time.

Damage to Rath's 1971 Chevrolet was estimated at about $1,000, while the Horky car, a 1965 Ford, was judged a total loss.

The accident was investigated by Reuben Martin, Cosmos policeman.

REV. BEEKMANN

Memorial Day speaker says the real battle of today fought on our soil

COSMOS - "The real battle of today is not being fought in foreign lands nor even in Washington but right here on our own soil," Rev. Darold Beekmann told a Memorial Day audience, Monday.

Speaking at the Beach-Thompson American Legion Post's annual Memorial Day service, the Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church and St. John's of Osceola, said "the real call to serve our country in these days is that you and I stop passing the buck!"

To paraphrase what President Kennedy stated a few years ago, he said, "It's not what I can get out of life that's important, but what I can do for my community, my church, my nation, my school, my government."

Beekmann pointed with pride to the younger generation and stated that in the midst of all the rebellion they are exhibiting today, they are reflecting a very deep concern for preserving some of the ideals for which this nation has stood in the past.

"They are saying," he said, "I want my country to become the things for which it stands!"

He urged all to become active in action groups which will get things done in this country. "We may not always agree with the positions some of these people take, or even with their tactics, but thank God they are willing to stand up and be counted!"

He pointed out that there are also signs of renewal beginning in the church. This is caused by a movement among lay people to assume the responsibilities.

"These are real ways in which we can honor those who have gone before," he concluded.

Beelmann preceded these remarks by saying that on a day like this we should not only take stock of what the honored heroes of our nation died for, but also what they lived for. "One never gives his life for his country unless he feels he has something to live for.

They didn't make their strive to reach their highest potential.

"They believed in the people of our land, that they are good, generous, compassionate, that they have a sense of real value and purpose.

"They believed the people have a deep and abiding confidence and trust in God, who will not abandon us and has been very generous and gracious to us.

"Should we cling to the past? No. But employing the principles and ideals of the Living God we can live each day in an effort to try to become the kinds of people for which our ancestors lived and died.

"Some seem to feel that we are caught up in bad times. That if we could only return to our past we would solve

Beekmann, turn to 8



SERENE BEMIS

Serene Bemis graduates at U. of Denver

DENVER, COLO. --A Cosmos, Minn. girl will be among nearly 1800 candidates scheduled to receive degrees at the University of Denver's commencement ceremonies at 10 a.m., Saturday, June 3, in the DU Arena.

She is Serene Bemis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bemis, Sr. She will graduate with a degree of

46 seniors graduate

"It is an outstanding class," says Supt.

COSMOS --"It is an outstanding class, and not only in size," said Supt. Lynn Townsend as he welcomed a very large crowd to the commencement program of the largest class ever to graduate from Cosmos High School, last Friday night.

The class, 46 strong, paraded to the stage to the music of "Pomp and Circumstance" played by the high school band. Pastor Harold Bruland gave the invocation.

Rather than having outside speakers, four representative seniors each gave a short talk.

The senior speeches were led off by Douglas Fett who presented the humor and reminiscing of the evening. He concluded the brief remarks by saying, "There is nothing important to say on graduation night except to thank my fellow classmen for the wonderful years we've had together. So I'll conclude my remarks quickly and sit down -perhaps the others will have important things to say and will need more time."

Celeste Koeberl delivered the second speech, maintaining that we tend to classify people and file them away by categories. "We really do not know other people," she said, "only our own impressions of them. We co-exist but never really share. We cannot know our neighbors until each is willing to face the other as he is. We need

Seniors, turn to 8

4 new teachers-aides are hired

COSMOS--Four new teacher-aides for the Cosmos elementary school system have been hired for the 1972-

teacher aides presently employed will also be utilized in the elementary grades. They are Mrs. Fett, Mrs.



RICHARD KESS

Richard Kess graduates with

Cosmos High School Band on 5-day Black Hills tour

COSMOS--The Cosmos High School Band left early Thursday morning on a five-day tour of the South Dakota Badlands, Rapid City and the Black Hills.

The bus left the local school at 6 o'clock Thursday morning, and the band was scheduled to make its first stop at Mitchell at 10:30, where they will have a sack lunch and tour the Corn Palace.

The group is also scheduled to tour the Bad Lands and visit Wall Drug that day, before arriving at Rapid City at 8 p.m.

Friday will be a big touring day for the band. They'll start out by visiting Hot Springs and Evans Plunge, touring the southern hills, and Wind Cave. That evening they'll have dinner at Mt. Rushmore and will witness the lighting ceremony shortly thereafter.

Saturday will find the band really getting down to business. They'll march in a parade in the morning, conduct impromptu concerts throughout Rapid City in the afternoon, see and take part in marching band demonstration and massed band finals, and enjoy a Western party in the evening.

Sunday will be another busy day. After all faiths worship at the Stavekirke church, they'll leave for Deadwood, arriving in time for lunch at the Bodega Cafe, then tour the Ghosts of Deadwood Gulch wax museum.

In the afternoon they'll get a breathtaking view of the area from the Terry Peak Chairlift, have supper at Spearfish Park and in the evening will witness the Passion Play.

Early Monday morning they'll have breakfast at the Chuckwagon, then load their buses and leave for home. Lunch is scheduled for Pierre, followed by a tour of the Oahe Reservoir. They are scheduled to arrive back in Cosmos between 10 and 11 p.m.



Cosmos News

MR. AND MRS. RAYMOND Wimmer and family and George Lang of Atlkin stopped to visit at the Arnold Lang home Sunday forenoon.

MR. AND MRS. ALBERT Jordin Jr. of Windom were Sunday guests of Mrs. Albert Jordin Sr. and Mrs. Albert Flemming. Monday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Steven Flemming and Andrew of Columbia Heights and the Charles Lietzau family.

MR. AND MRS. ARNOLD Lang and family and Mrs. Rueben Martin, Judy, Troy Sladek, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Martin and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Martin of Osseo attended the reception for Donna Marie Pfeffer Sunday afternoon at the Delores Pfeffer home at Bird Island. Donna graduated from St. Marys last Friday evening.

MRS. ALBERT FLEMMING and Mrs. Albert Jordin Sr. arrived home Wednesday after spending 3 weeks at the Wallace Mortenson home in Excelsior.

MR. AND MRS. WALTER Reinke and Mrs. Lillie Elling attended a funeral at Buffalo Lake for Mrs. Cora Heinecke a dear friend of Mrs. Lillie Elling.

REV. RON FREIMARK and girls were among other guests who attended a gathering for a seminary student at the Ed Steir home at Belle Plaine on Sunday.

MR. AND MRS. JERREL Sharpe and Stephanie of Morris and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sharpe of Minneapolis and Mrs. Alice Sharpe of Lake Lillian were Saturday guests at the Charles Sharpe home.

MRS. RHODA FLEMMING and Mrs. Charles Lietzau attended graduation at Grove City on Wednesday of last week in honor of Gail Flemming. They also attended the reception for her after the exercises.

MR. AND MRS. RUEBEN Boeder entertained about 75 relatives and friends for dinner and afternoon, Sunday, May 21, in honor of their son, Terry, who was confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES Lietzau and family of Cosmos were Sunday evening guests at the Paul Schfencamp home at Franklin.

TIM AND MARK BECKstrand of Jefferson, Iowa arrived Friday to spend several days with many friends in Cosmos.

MR. AND MRS. LARRY Kock and Kraig of Des Moines, Iowa spent from Thursday till Sunday at the Maurice Turner home.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT Berry Jr. and boys spent the Memorial Day week end at the Glenn Holium home at Nisswa.

VICKI THOMAS ARRIVED home last Wednesday after completing one year at Moorhead State College. She will be employed at Minnesota Mining in Hutchinson for the summer months.

MONDAY VISITORS AT Mrs. Lulu Isemingen were Mr. Stuart Seely and Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Bendixen from Fort Dodge, Iowa, and Brooks Isemingen from Olivia.

RICK KESSLOP Greenwood, Neb. visited Monday at the Maurice Turner home and also many other friends.

MRS. WALTER HACKER and Virginia, Mrs. Maynard Kiecker and Marilyn and Mr. and Mrs. William French and Linda Maeik attended graduation exercises for a niece of the ladies at Balaton on Thursday evening.

MR. AND MRS. RUSSELL Vilhauer, Cindy and Kim of Murray, Utah are spending this week with Mrs. Vilhauer's parents, August Fischer. Other Sunday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Sturges and Christine of Hutchinson and Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Miller and family.

MR. AND MRS. EMERY Carrigan of Minnetonka were Sunday supper and evening guests at the Herb Maag home.

Graduates feted at commencement parties

AFTER THE COSMOS High School graduation exercises Friday evening, the following families entertained in honor of their sons and daughters.

RELATIVES AND FRIENDS from St. Paul, Minneapolis, Litchfield, Hutchinson and Cosmos area was entertained at the Clarence Boelter home in honor of Bonnie.

ABOUT 70 GUESTS WERE entertained at the George Kaddatz home in honor of their daughter, Bette. Mr. and Mrs. Laurel Kaddatz of Sioux Falls, S.D. and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kaddatz and family of Mora were Friday overnight guests.

MANY RELATIVES AND friends were guests at the Maurice Turner home in honor of Scott. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Keck and Kraig of Des Moines, Iowa and Mr. and Mrs. Ernst and family of Minneapolis were out of town guests.

DONA FARMER WAS honored at her parents home Ceward Farmers by many relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. David Farmer and daughter of Cincinnati, Ohio were out of state guests.

MR. AND MRS. STANLEY Mortenson entertained many relatives and friends in honor of their daughter, Connie.

MANY RELATIVES, friends and neighbors were entertained at the Richard Mortenson home at rural Cosmos in honor of their son, Robert.

100 FRIENDS & RELAtives were entertained at the Ernst Peterson home on Friday evening in honor of David Peterson's graduation. Guests included those from Cosmos, Litchfield, Morgan, Atwater, Sacred Heart, Mpls., St. Paul, Spicer, Hutchinson, Olivia, Willmar, Lake Crystal, and Lake Lillian.

ABOUT 50 RELATIVES, friends and neighbors were entertained at the Charles Sharpe home in honor of David.

MANY FRIENDS, RELATives and neighbors were entertained at the Robert Grussendorf home in honor of Jan. Mr. and Mrs. Randy Grussendorf and daughter of Sleepy Eye were week end guests and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Torgeson of Mora were Sunday guests.

MR. AND MRS. GERALD Wright entertained many relatives and friends in honor of their son Gale. Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Lietzau and Sherri of Savage were week end guests.

MR. AND MRS. DAVID Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Johnson of rural Litchfield entertained relatives and friends in honor of their daughters, Pamela and Susan on Friday evening at the David Johnson home.

MR. AND MRS. CURT Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Eldred Anderson entertained at the Cosmos Peace Lutheran Church basement in honor of Peggy Thomas and Terry Anderson.

MANY RELATIVES AND friends were entertained at the Clarence Martin home in honor of Marilyn Martin.

MR. AND MRS. CLARENCE Lietzau entertained their families, many other relatives, friends and neighbors in honor of their son, Douglas.

MANY FRIENDS HONORED Wendy Haagenson at her parents home, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Haagenson. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Tomhave and family of Fergus Falls were Sunday guests to honor Wendy.

MR. AND MRS. ROY Fredericksen entertained in honor of their son Paul many relatives and friends at their home in Hutchinson.

MR. AND MRS. DEAN Johnson entertained many friends in honor of their daughter Susan after baccalaureate services last Wednesday evening.

WALTER HACKERS entertained many relatives and friends in honor of their daughter Virginia.

MR. AND MRS. DON DeLeeuw of Corvuso entertained relatives, friends and neighbors in honor of their son Alan.

MR. AND MRS. DONALD Kaping entertained relatives, friends and neighbors in honor of their son Gene.

KAREN PEARSON WAS honored at her parents home, Donald Pearson, by many relatives and friends and neighbors. by many relatives, friends and neighbors.

MR. AND MRS. HARRY Weseloh entertained Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Graves and family of Bloomington, Drexel Kenneth of Lake Lillian and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stueber Friday evening in honor of their son Allen.

MR. AND MRS. HARVEY Schaefer entertained many relatives and friends in honor of their daughter, Cynthia.

MANY RELATIVES AND friends were entertained at the Roger Sayles home in honor of Dale.

MR. AND MRS. HERMAN Raske entertained many friends and relatives in honor of their son, Larry.

CELESTE ROSBERL was honored at the home of Donna Roeberl by many relatives, friends and neighbors last Friday evening.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES Madsen entertained relatives and friends in honor of Clayton, their son.

DEBRA OLSEN WAS honored by many relatives and friends at her parents home, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Olsen last Friday evening.

MR. AND MRS. MELVIN Raske entertained many relatives and friends in honor of their daughter, Julie.

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MR. AND MRS. ELDON Janke of Corvuso entertained about 95 friends and neighbors on Sunday afternoon in honor of their daughter, Cindy, who was one of the Cosmos graduates on Friday evening.



ARLENE MORTENSON AND RODNEY KOLLE TO BE MARRIED

COSMOS—Arlene Mortensen and Rodney Kolle have announced their forth-coming marriage.

Rodney is employed as plant supervisor at the Lake State Telephone Company at Hector and Arlene is employed as secretary at the Cosmos High School.

The wedding is set for July 29th.

It Happened at Thorpe

FRIDAY EVENING GUESTS at the Cevion Johnson home in honor of James Schroder's graduation were, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bednarek, Jackie, Cindy and Robert of St. Paul, Robert Schroder, St. Paul, Betty Zmrzl, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Schiro, Mrs. Ellen Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Grimm, Marie and Dale, Mr. and Mrs. Gehard Stockhoel, Veda and Linda, Mr. and Mrs. Gerhard Steinke, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Olson, Jamie and Danny. Sunday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Schiro and family of Minneapolis, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Schiro, Atwater, Mr. and Mrs. Orion Johnson and Brent of Paynesville, and Tuesday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swanson.

MR. AND MRS. ELLIS Russel entertained many relatives and friends after baccalaureate services Wednesday evening in honor of Kim and Tim's graduation.

MR. AND MRS. DAVID Ian and family, Jeffery Wallace, Terry Sonneck of Delevan and Harlan Davenport of Willmar were Friday evening guests at the Ray K. Johnson home in honor of Greville who graduated. Jeffery and Terry were over night guests at the Johnson home.

MR. AND MRS. SIG Stockland entertained many relatives and friends and neighbors in honor of their son Mark's graduation. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Letnes of Minneapolis and Ann Stockland of St. Cloud were week end guests. Mr. and Mrs. Eli Stockland and family of Peacock were Sunday guests at the Stockland home.

MR. AND MRS. GLENN Tinigren were Sunday visitors at the Ray Dusterman home at Milroy.

MR. AND MRS. HAROLD Lee and Margaret Stockland of Minneapolis were Friday overnight guests at the Gerhard Stockland home. On Saturday Mrs. Stockland took Mr. and Mrs. Lee and Margaret to Penrock to visit relatives.

MR. AND MRS. LLOYD Lindquist of St. Paul were week end guests at the Eugene Renstrom home. Together they were all guests at the Robert Hanson home Sunday afternoon in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Hanson who are leaving for a visit to Sweden on Tuesday.


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Julie Freimark submitted to tonsilectomy

COSMOS—Julie Freimark daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Ron Freimark submitted to tonsilectomy surgery at the Litchfield Hospital, Wednesday morning, May 31.

Eric Schlingman was baptized at First Lutheran

ERIC MICHAEL SCHLINGman son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schlingman of Omaha, Nebraska was baptized at the First Lutheran Church of Cosmos, Sunday May 28. Sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. David Farmer of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Class of '62 has reunion

COSMOS - Twenty-five members of the Class of 1962 of Cosmos High School, enjoyed the 10th reunion at the Velvet Coach Supper Club in Hutchinson on Saturday evening, May 27.

Forty one husbands and wives attended the event. Members attended from Ohio, Nebraska, Iowa and Minnesota.

There were 37 members in the 1962 class.

On Sunday, a potluck dinner was held for the husbands and wives and families at the Edward Olson home. About 45 attended the dinner.

MR. AND MRS. LAVERNE Fest entertained relatives, friends and neighbors in honor of their son Douglas who graduated last Friday evening.

MR. AND MRS. RICHARD Riedel were among other Sunday guests at the Mrs. Lois Yarmon home for a reception to honor Loren on his graduation from Bird Island High School.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES Peterson and family of Minneapolis were Saturday overnight guests at the Gerhard Stockland home. Mr. and Mrs. James Peterson attended the 10th class reunion at Hutchinson on Saturday evening. Jim was one of the members of the class of 1962 of Cosmos high.

MR. AND MRS. HAROLD Martin were Sunday evening guests at the Severin Olson home.

MR. AND MRS. ALVIN Gilberts entertained many relatives, friends and neighbors in honor of their daughter LuAnn's graduation from Cosmos. Guests were from California, Willmar, Hutchinson, Litchfield, Lake Lillian, Cosmos and Mankato.

MRS. HILMA RENSTROM attended a bridal shower in honor of her great-granddaughter, Karen Eastman, Saturday evening at the Baptist Church in Paynesville.



MICHELE RAE HARTMANN

Michele Hartmann and Steven Eggert are engaged

COSMOS—Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hartmann have announced the engagement of their daughter, Michele Rae, to Steven V. Eggert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Eggert of rural Cosmos.

Michele graduated from Cosmos High School in 1972. Steven graduated from Cosmos High School in 1968, served two years in the Army and is now working at American Can Co. in St. Paul.

COSMOS LOCALS

MRS. BEN ALBRECHT from Hector, Mrs. Lillie Elling, Mrs. Sophie Flemming Mrs. Walter Reinke spent Thursday at Buffal Lake to call on Friends and the Buffalo Lake Nursing Home.

MR. AND MRS. C. J. Larson spent the Memorial week-end with their daughters families at their Lake Cottage near Annadale.

MR. AND MRS. WALTER Reinke spent Sunday afternoon and evening at the Ed Drobratz home.

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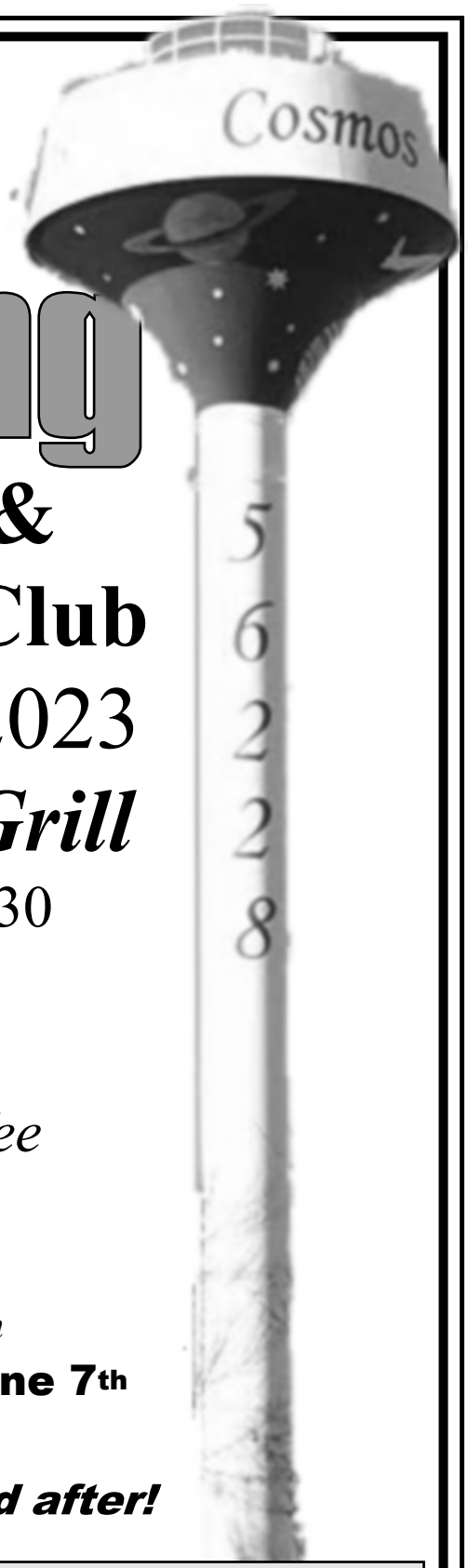
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Annual Meeting



Cosmos Industries & Cosmos Community Club

Wednesday, June 14th 2023

At Mug Shots Bar & Grill

Social Hour at 6:00 Meal at 6:30

-If you are interested in joining-

Cosmos Industries

$50.00 *one time membership fee*

Cosmos Community Club

$15.00 *per person per year*

**Non-Members may buy a meal if they wish*

***Please RSVP to Mug Shots by June 7th**

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Reservations WILL NOT be accepted after!

-Evening speakers will be-

Dawn Holtz & Michelle Whitcomb-Johnson

From the Educational Learning Center, Cosmos

-FIRST LUTHERAN-

Pie & Ice Cream Social

Wednesday, June 28, 2023

4:00-7:00 PM

First Evangelical Lutheran Church
54986 145th Street
Cosmos, MN. 56228



Menu: Ham and hot turkey sandwiches, pasta salads, potato salad, watermelon, cantaloupe, pie and ice cream, egg coffee, and lemonade.

Adults: $10.00
Children ages 6-12: $4.00
Children under 6: Free

**If your mouth is watering for homemade pies and salads and your heart is aching for fellowship in the fresh country air, this is your chance! There's pasta salads, potato salad, and fresh melons. We serve ham sandwiches and hot shredded turkey sandwiches on bakery buns. Plus, the homemade pies are as wonderful as is the egg coffee! And, don't forget the peaceful, beautiful country church setting. Please join us for our annual event. Everyone is Welcome!*



Thoughts & Observations



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

Overheard at an undisclosed location;

Where the heck is my highly valuable May Gazette!
$4.95 down the drain! Oh Noooo...

Well Buckaroos, the Gazette is back!!! And so am I by the way! After two stays in hospitals and re-training numerous nurses, I'm none the worse for wear. Well, maybe a little. So anyway, after missing the May issue, let's address the Gazette stuff first.

This issue is a combined May & June effort. *($4.95 x 2 = $9.90? A deal at half the price, right?)* As you may have already noticed, I had to add four pages to this issue. Twenty eight fun filled and action packed pages! Whew! Lotsa good pics and goings on from the last two months, fer sure.

I am sorry for not being able to get in the annual 'High School Graduates Page' that I always enjoy putting together. I know the readers like it too. Oh well, what's a cripple to do. By the way, advertisers and subscribers shouldn't be concerned as Delores will be adjusting the billings accordingly.



As I write this, the last article before printing, I am already thinking ahead to the much awaited and ever popular **"Space Festival"** issue for 2023. The editor, (me) the proofreader (Samantha, *left*) and the accountant's (Delores) job is never done, it seems. Oh well, that's why they pay us the big bucks… ;)

Now on to the personal stuff. Deb and I are very appreciative of everybody's heartfelt concerns and well wishes having to do with my latest medical odyssey. Letters, emails, Facebook posts, texts, prayers, hotdishes; You name it, we received it.

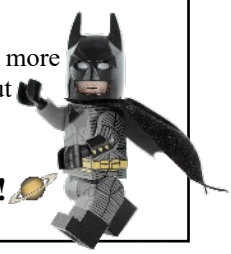


There were so many good folks thinking of us and wishing me a speedy recovery. I want to include this pic of a gorgeous planter of flowers I received from the local quilting group. Very cool, me thinks. There is no way either one of us can thank everyone enough, but I'll say it anyway;

Thank you all!

I had planned on detailing my latest 'odyssey' in more detail, with new x-rays and stories, but I ran out of room and time. Hopefully, in a future issue.

So, see you next month,
Same Bat time, same Bat channel!



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

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

TIME WARP Whozit?

June is dairy month

June 1972

It's Dairy Month *and* Dairy Princess Month! Here's three young candidates that were sponsored by the Corvuso Creamery. Can you identify any or all of these gals?

Whozdem? Then...



Whozit?



Whozit?

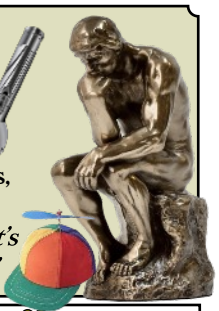


Whozit?

-Ponderings-



"You think you can hurt my feelings?
I used to hold the flashlight for my dad."



"When I was little, I didn't care about things, like what to wear - my parents dressed me. *Looking back at some of my old pictures, it's obvious that my parents didn't care either."*

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Flag Day

June 14th 2023



When displaying The American Flag

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

The next meeting is:

June 13th, 7 PM

How to display The American Flag

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

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

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

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