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When I Was a Boy

By Eugene Krause



Eugene Krause (L) and Edward Hoppe

When I was a boy, I was so busy doing chores that my day was used up mostly by these jobs I took for granted. My dad and mom seldom had to order me to do them. I assumed the jobs naturally and rather enjoyed them. It was meted out as part of my life at home, not something I had to do or else.

Maybe this is a failing of us. We didn't delegate things and so, rather than constantly nagging or arguing, I'd rather do it myself, rather than beg each task to be done, pick up the dishes, mow the lawn, etc.

Mowing the lawn was always my job and I assumed it without a mention from my mom or dad. Our mower was a hand-reed type mower that was tough pushing but I didn't mind as that's what all mowers were back then. Our lawn then was more than twice our lawn now.

After an hour's mowing, I laid on my back in the shade of an apple tree with billowing clouds. I could see many imaginative figures and forms constantly changing as my mind followed the formations so soft it seemed a person would enjoy bouncing on them.

Gosh those times were enjoyable. Skippy, our dog would tug at my pant leg or chew on my tennis shoes that allowed a couple of toes to protrude to get me up after we'd wrestled some and he'd brought back a stick I'd thrown for him to fetch several times.

When I finished mowing, my reward was seeing that yard look so nice again, a drink of ice well water and maybe my mom had some hot fresh-baked bread with currant or chokecherry jelly with cold milk. I could eat a whole loaf it seems.

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The Roseville Historical Society Executive Board met in August at Central Park (socially distancing) to address issues needing action. Since no membership meetings have been held, the minutes of the Executive Board are included in this newsletter.

Roseville Historical Society
Executive Board Meeting
August 13, 2020

Present: Beverly Kroschel, Sharon Pillen, Judy McCauley, LaVerne Dickhudt, Alyssa Kroschel, Jonn Pillen

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 by Beverly Kroschel. Rynetta Renford sent an email to the Society submitting her resignation as president. Bob Niedercorn resigned as Vice President due to medical reasons. Alyssa Kroschel and Jonn Pillen were appointed by the Board to finish the terms of president and vice president until the next election.

President Alyssa Kroschel took over leading the meeting.

Archivist report - LaVerne Dickhudt met with Sue from the Roseville Senior Center and received many scrapbooks on the history of the many people and activities that have happened at the Senior Center.

Heritage Director Report - Sharon Pillen has sold many jams and pickles at reduced prices so none end up old and outdated.

Treasurers report - Beverly Kroschel reported a CD will mature on 8-14-2020. Beverly will check the length and rates of all the CD's and determine which ones should be renewed.

Membership-the board determined that Society membership will be free for the year 2021. We have not been able have any meetings due to Covid-19, so expenses have been very low. If members want to make a donation that would be welcomed.

Old business:

Dan Salzl has agreed keep the website up to date. We will have him make changes to enter the new officers on it. There will be no September meeting.

New Business:

The Roseville City Hall craft fair is on hold.

When we open the office again, we will not be opening 5 days a week. We will probably be open on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. We will put this information in the Memo that will be sent out about September 1.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.
Judy McCauley
Secretary

Meet Your New Officers

President Alyssa Kroschel

Hello, my name is Alyssa Kroschel. I'm the new president of the Roseville Historical Society. I am a mom of a 2-year-old named Bentley. We are relocating to the Lino Lakes area this fall. I was originally from North Branch, MN. I moved to Roseville in 2010.



I have spent time in the Roseville Historical Society while growing due to my grandparents, LeRoy and Beverly Kroschel. I enjoy my being in the office when I can and look forward to this with you all.



Vice President Jonn Pillen

My name is Jonn Pillen and I have been a member of the Roseville Historical Society for several years. I have been helping out with projects where needed for the museum and enjoy volunteering for the community.



My family has always been interested in preserving history and it's been fun traveling and enjoying history and artifacts through the years with them.

The Covid virus has put a damper on my social activates, such as Twins baseball traveling from one ballpark to another. I also like going to car shows old and new vehicles. I grew up in New Brighton-- went to Irondale high school. I have been an employee of Best Buy Co., Inc. since July of 1999 and have had many opportunities with them. The last six years have been at corporate office.

Important Dates

Membership Meetings

All meetings will only be held if safe for members to attend. Watch for future MEMO's for information.

Monday, December 7, 2020 – Dinner – 6:00 p.m.
Monday, February 15, 2021 – Election of Officers
Monday, May 17, 2021
Monday, September 20, 2021
Monday, December 13, 2021 – Dinner 6:00 P.M.

Membership meetings are held in the Fireside Room at the Oval. Door prizes, snacks and fellowship provided at all meetings.

Board Meetings:

Thursday, November 12, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, January 14, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 8, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, August 12, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 11, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.

Board meetings are held in the Aspen room at City Hall.

UPSIDEDOWN MEAT LOAF

1/2 C. Brown sugar	1 1/2 tsp salt
1/2 C. Catsup	1/4 tsp pepper
1 1/2 lbs. Ground beef	1/4 tsp ginger
1 small onion grated	3/4 c. milk
3/4 c. quick oatmeal	2 eggs beaten

Loaf pan 3x3x5.

Press the brown sugar in bottom of pan.
Spread catsup over sugar.

Mix all other ingredients together and shape into pan on top of mixture.

Bake at 350 for 1 hour
Turn upside down on plate to cut and serve.

Archivist Report

By LaVerne Dickhudt

It's been a tough five months, but we're still hanging in there.

Our historical society acquired some scrapbooks and Golden Retriever magazines from the Roseville Senior Center. Lots of pictures of our seniors in Roseville.

We got 14 scrapbooks from 1974 -2001 and the Golden Retriever magazines, a monthly publication, from 1976-1991. A very nice collection. Of course, they still have to be numbered and filed away. That'll come later when we can be in our office. Time will tell.

I hope and pray you all are staying safe and healthy.



Treasurer's Report

By Beverly Kroschel

August, 2020

Checking	\$ 8,539.90
CDs	<u>26,673.40</u>
Total	\$ 35,213.30

BLESSED MINNESOTA

On the sixth day God turned to the Archangel Gabriel and said, "Today, I am going to create a land called Minnesota. It will be a land of outstanding natural beauty; a land of beautiful lakes, each one full of fish. It shall have tall majestic pines, peacefully flowing rivers, landscapes full of buffalo, tall grass, and eagles, beautiful blue skies, forests full of bear, elk and moose, and rich farmland. I shall make the land rich in resources so as to make the inhabitants prosper and they shall be known as a most friendly people, people who practice being nice every day."

"But Lord," asked Gabriel, "don't You think You are being too generous to these Minnesota people?"

"Not really," replied God, "just wait and see the winters I am going to give them."

-Author Unknown

Heritage Report

By Sharon Pillen



The best laid plans for the year 2020 have taken on a new twist. I have a small supply of product from our craft fairs that we were selling at the museum until the city closed their doors due to the virus. We sent out emails letting members and friends know that we were selling off product at a reduced price along with word of mouth. Our supply is going down, but anyone wanting Rhubarb jam of different flavors it is still available---drop an email, note or call and I would be happy to sell our famous items. Product is still being made as orders are coming in.

This year I have a few new items to go along with the standbys and they are: **Cranberry Rhubarb jam, Cherry Rhubarb jam along with apple pie in a quart jar**—enough to make a 10-inch pie. The apple pie mixture is the two Minnesota grown apples along with some grannies to give it that great taste. The peelings are liquefied and added to each jar for added flavor and vitamins. The quart jars will be selling for \$ 7.00 dollars and the jams will remain at \$5.00. These items will make nice Christmas or hostess gifts for the holiday. The breads of ginger and pumpkin will still be available along with the tins of old fashion Christmas cookies. There will also be some packaged candy treats in special dishes.

Items needed this year and ongoing are:

Jars of all sizes

Sugar

Christmas and decorative tin cans

Next to new Items for Grannie's attic

We started a small cookbook two years ago that did well for us. I will start working on additional recipes to add for a second addition and invite the members to submit a recipe if they wish. This project can be done with volunteer help. Our Christmas boutique will be put on hold until we hear from the city and the state of Minnesota for do's and don'ts while being safe.

Thank you to all who have donated thought the year and continue to help make our projects grow. Our profit line will be small this year, but still able to support our Roseville Historical Society.

Motto for the day:

Good friends, great books, and sleepy conscience—this is the good life by Mark Twain

In Memoriam



Jensen, Lyle

1949-2020

Lyle passed away February 26, 2020 Preceded in death by mother, Irene; and father, Richard. Survived by wife, Judith; sons, Albert (Virgie)

LeBrun, Fred (Barbie) LeBrun and Mark (Traci) LeBrun; 12 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren; and cousins, Carol Lyons, Don Schultz, Jim Freeman, Joan Hasslen and Joyce Oberdeck.

In 1920, the Schultz family came from Heidelberg, Germany to Rose Township. Their farm was on County Road C and Lake Johanna Road.

Lyle, his mother Irene and aunts Eleanor and Gladys were long-time members of the Roseville Historical Society and donated many interesting artifacts. Recently, Lyle donated an Edison phonograph that plays cylinders and has a huge horn to amplify the music.



Florence Syring

Beloved Mother Grandmother and Great-Grandmother Age 94 of Roseville, passed away peacefully on June 16, 2020. Preceded in death by husband, Richard; daughter,

Nancy Laska. She will be dearly missed by sons, Terry, Gerry (June); grandchildren, great-grandchildren and many other loving relatives and friends.

Florence enjoyed baking, sewing, volunteering at many churches, and having a good cup of coffee with family and friends. To her everything was always beautiful. She spent many years caring for the ones she loved. She made everyone feel special, and she was known as Grandma to all. Florence was an enthusiastic member of the Roseville Historical Society and enjoyed coming to meetings and activities.

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Another job I really didn't mind was weeding the rows of carrots, beets, kohlrabi, etc., usually three rows at a time. I'd straddle one row and weed the three. As I was weeding it was good thinking time, too. A toad might startle me or a garden snake (Gosh haven't seen one for years.), a killdeer snipe sat on it's nest 'til I nearly kneeled on it. I've found interesting agates along the way and a stone turned up a whole community of beetles and centipedes scurrying for cover, so that made the job interesting.

Quite often in solitude, a song would come or a recitation. That dog Skippy, would always know where I was but, after a pat and rub behind the ears, I'd order him back to the house as anything I didn't need was that dog walking all over these plants that have struggled enough what with these weeds, rabbits and weather.

At the end of the row, a jog of water and a look back, especially at supper time, to see those rows neatly weeded. Mom has a call of her own, a sort of "yoo-hoo." We need only hear it once.

You know, it was such a good feeling to be exhausted, then revitalized to wash up and sit down to a big everything-from-scratch supper. We never ate without a prayer. Our everyday dishes were a no-match set. Skippy was not to be fed 'til we're through but he always mooched and got something sneaked to him, sometimes by my dad.

It seemed work wasn't all work in those days.

Editor's Note: Eugene Krause owned and operated the Texaco station at Lexington and County Road B.



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Annual Membership
___\$10 Individual
___\$15 Family

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Address _____ Check if new address

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Date _____

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