



Presentation of Colors

American Legion

Post 505





The Star Spangled Banner By Francis Scott Key 1814

Oh, say can you see by the dawn's early light
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars thru the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming?
And the rocket's red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
Oh, say does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave



The Meaning of Each Fold

Folds 1, 2 and 3

The first fold is a symbol of life. The second fold is a symbol of belief in eternal life. The third fold is in honor and remembrance of veterans who fought for the United States.

Folds 4, 5 and 6

The fourth fold represents our weaker nature, signifying that we must trust in God for guidance in times of both war and peace. The fifth fold is a tribute to the United States. The sixth fold is for our hearts and devotion--with the United States of America.

Folds 7, 8 and 9

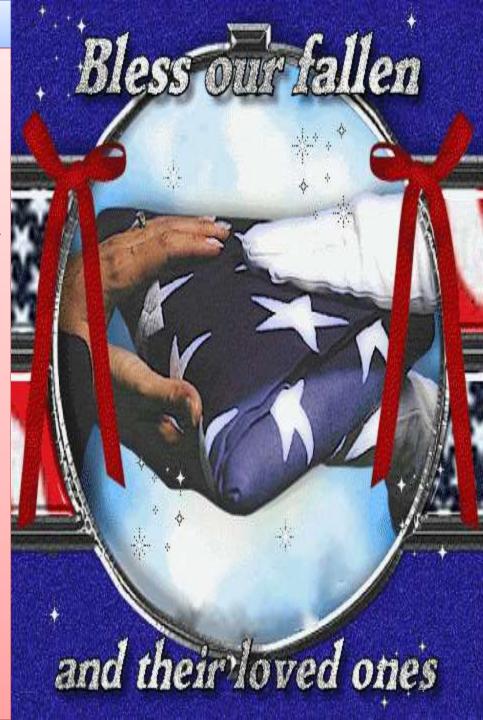
The seventh fold is a tribute to the armed forces, because they protect our country. The eighth fold is for the one who went into the "valley of the shadow of death." The ninth fold is a tribute to the giving and nurturing nature of womanhood.

Folds 10, 11 and 12

The tenth fold is a tribute to father, for he gives children to defend the United States. The eleventh fold, dedicated to Jewish citizens, represents the bottom of the seal of King David and King Solomon. The twelfth fold, dedicated to Christian citizens, represents eternity and glorifies God.

The Final Fold

When the flag is completely folded, the stars are reminding us of our nation's motto, "In God We Trust". After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington, and the sailors and marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones. Those who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for us the rights, privileges, and freedoms we enjoy today.



Pastor Norm Gullingsrud Opened us with prayer.

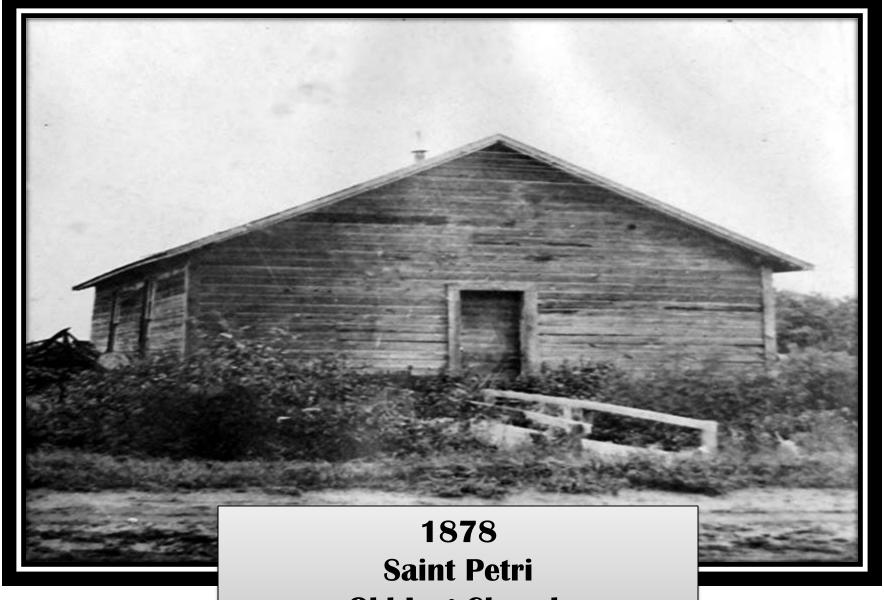


Shawn Sirjord Halvorson kept us laughing

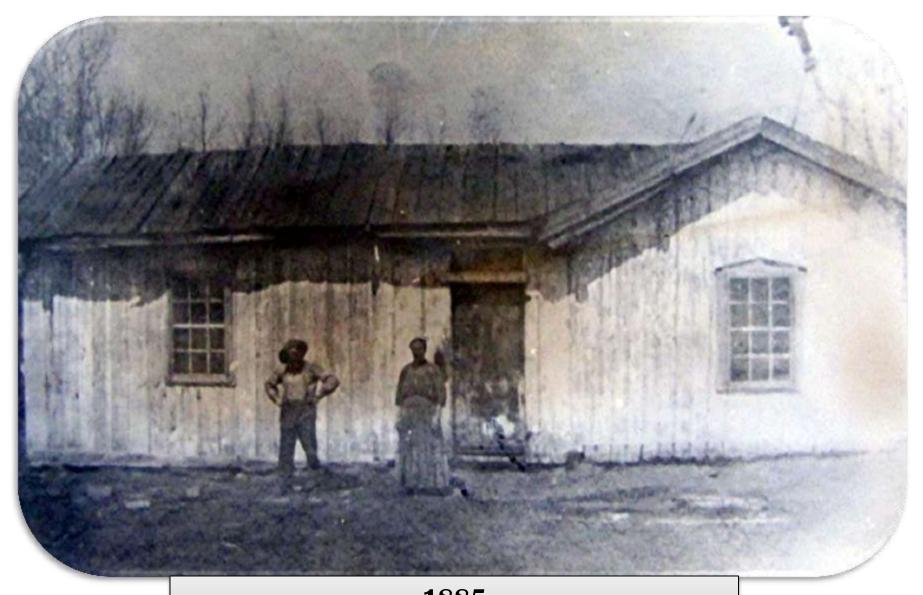


Elwood Narum & Karie Whitson Kirschbaum share a special "thank you" with a bouquet of flowers went out to Audrey Felske for her many hours of hard work and total commitment to the mission: that all alumni from Gary would have the time of their life...

and we did!



Saint Petri Old Log Church 1st Church in Strand Township



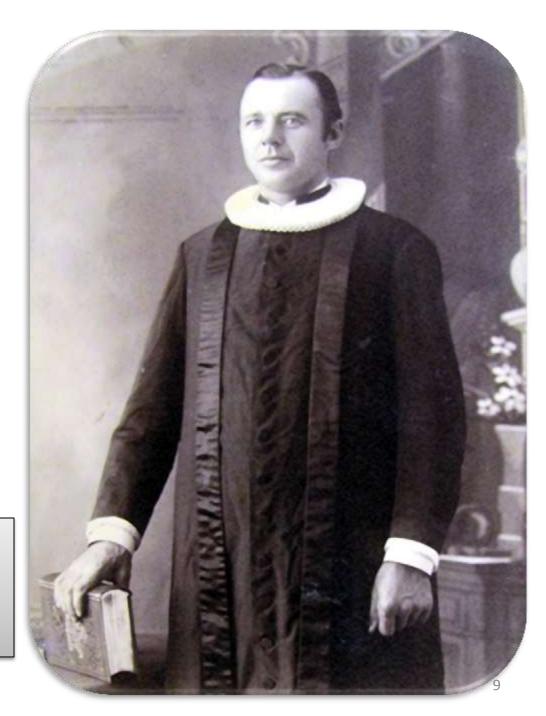
1885 1st School in Strand Township Martin and Regina Ysen by Homestead



Mr. & Mrs. Karl Knutson & Son Harry In front of the 1st Framed House in Strand Township

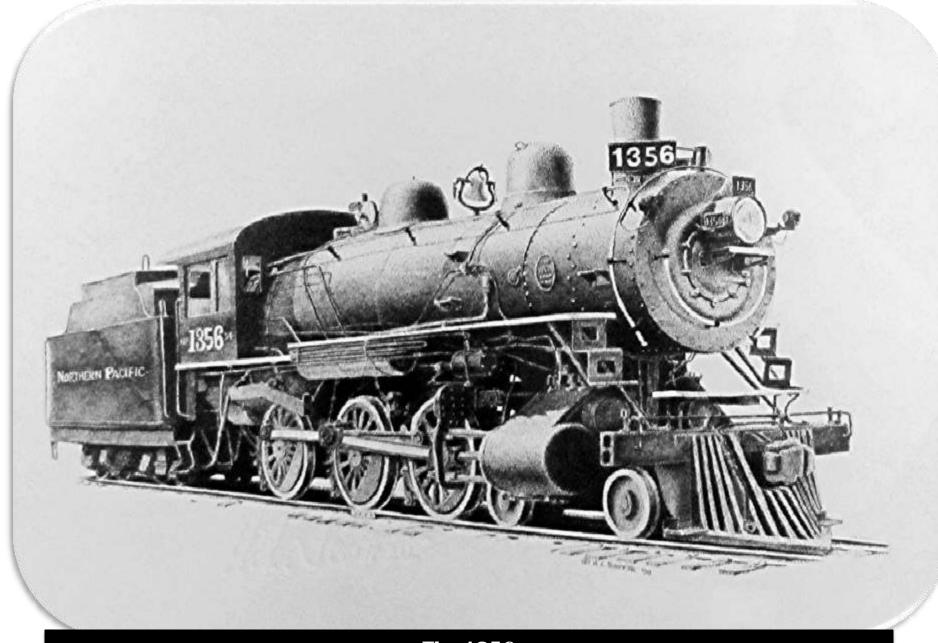


1885-1889
Reverend Ole Knudson Weium
1st Minister of St. Pauli
Lutheran Church

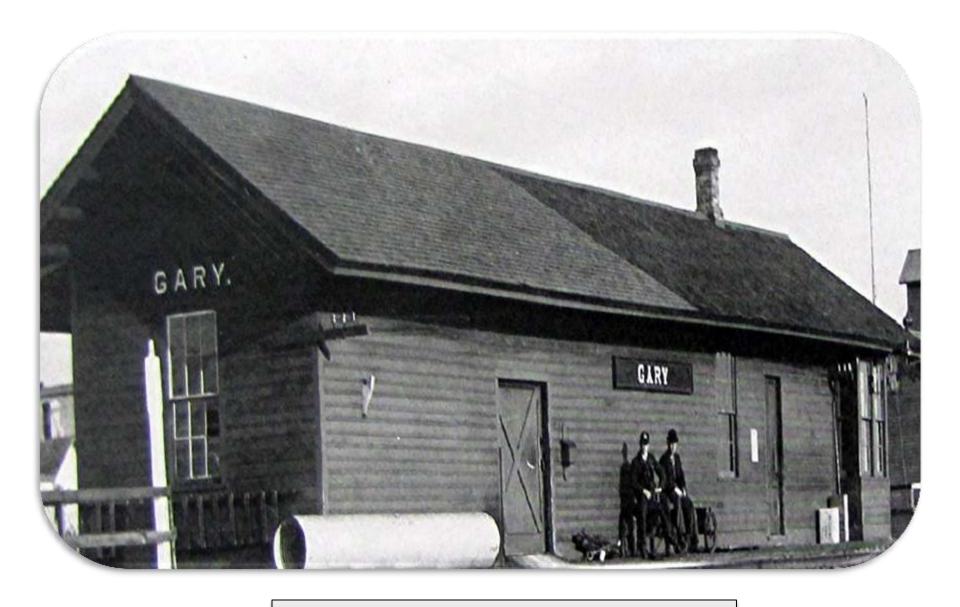




1889 Saint Pauli Lutheran South Church



The 1356
The First Northern Pacific Train to Run Through Gary



Northern Pacific Train Depot Gary, Minnesota



Gary Railway & Main Street



Northern Pacific Section House



John & Anna Marie Wallin & Family
Lived in the Section House

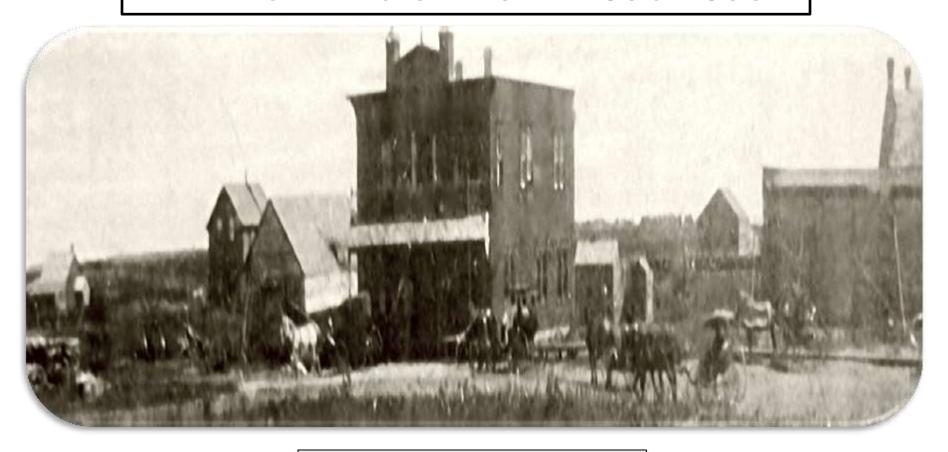


1886
Founder of Gary, MN.
Garrett L.
Thorpe



I've Been Working On the Railroad was sung with Alden Anderson at the piano Left to Right: Audrey Felske, LeAnn Moen, Candy Christensen Robertson, Jeanne Christensen Whitson, Shelbi Whitson, Lori Knutson Thronson, Carrie Heisler, & Karie Whitson Kirschbaum

WITH THE TRAIN CAME PROSPERITY... THE BUILDING OF A CITY 1890-1899



1890 Main Street Gary Dewey Hotel (Center)



1896
Gary Creamery
Association
Established



1899 Dewey Wedding Reception Thor Wermager & Serine Rasmusson



1899 Dewey Hotel Ole & Berthe Thronson



First Row: Oscar Henderson, J.O. Johnson, & Axel Johnson

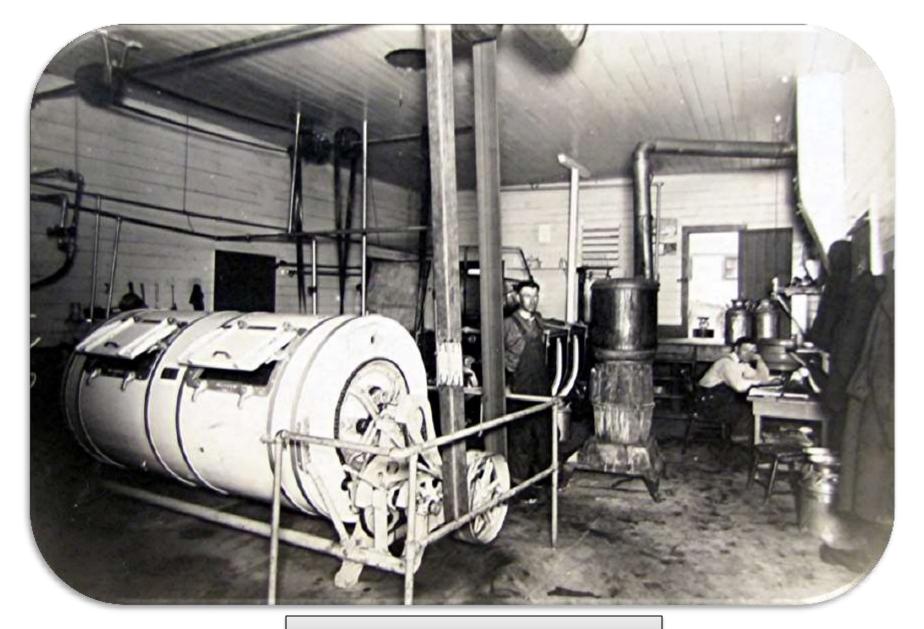
Second Row: August Groberg, Gustaf Johnson, & Joseph Lindell

Third Row: Andrew Larson, Gust Johnson, Gust Groberg, Oscar Lindell, & Gust Henderson



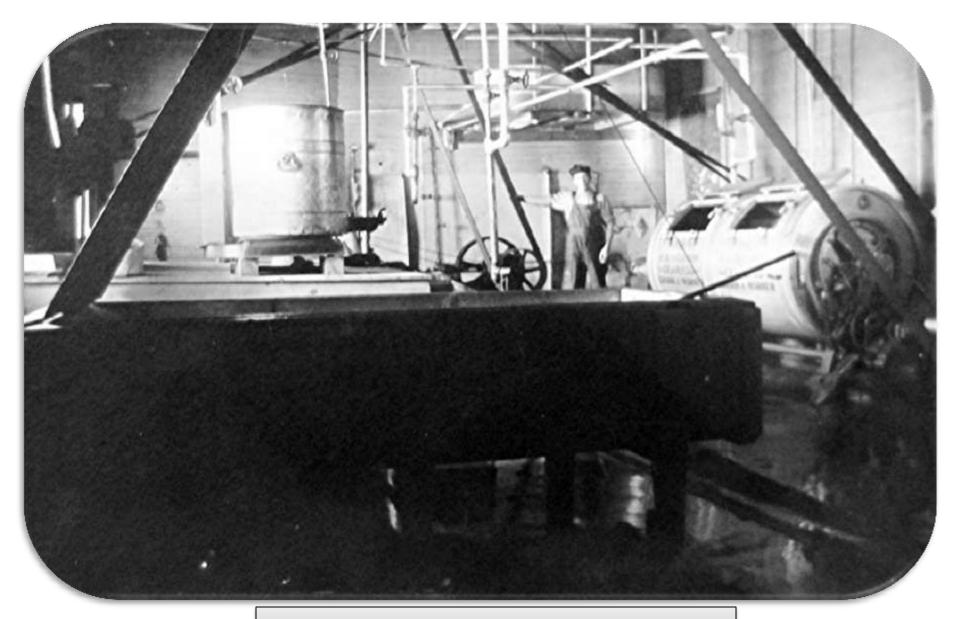


Butter Tubs by the Railway



Inside the Creamery

That Gary is properly dubbed Butterville was probably never better demonstrated than last Tuesday. On that day 7,820 pounds of butter was shipped out from this place, being only part of the weekly output of the Gary and Waukon creameries.



Inside the Creamery

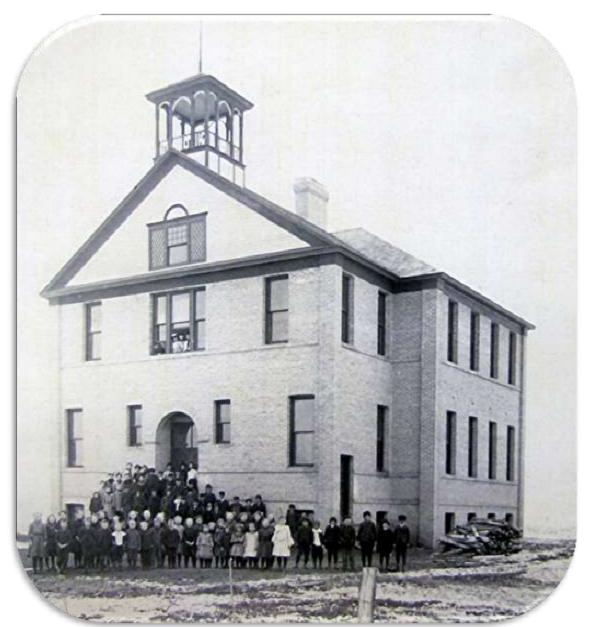


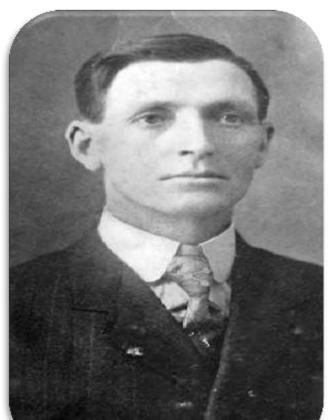
1900 2nd Avenue Between Main & Thorpe Street



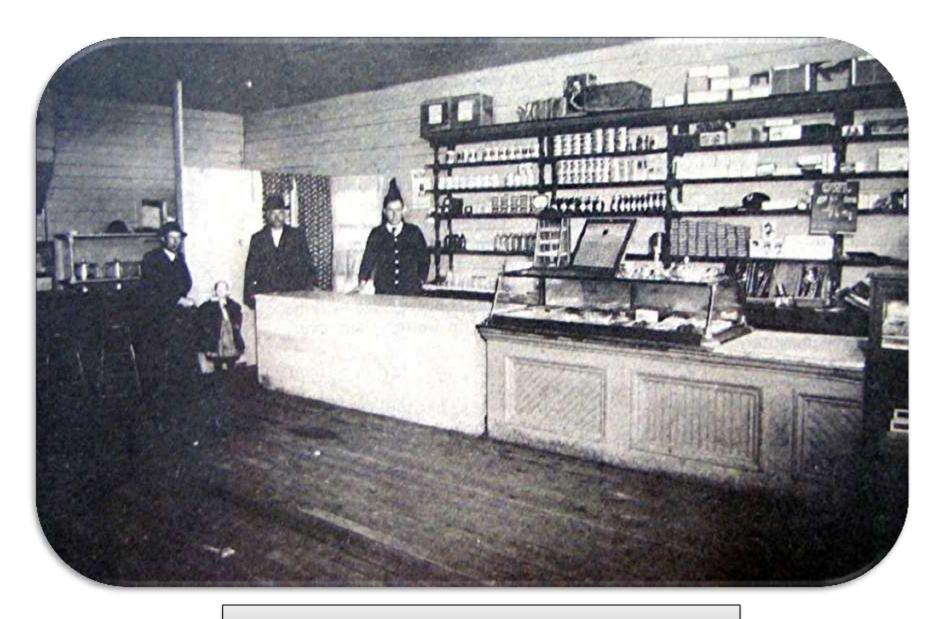
Manville & B.K. Strand

Below: 1905 Gary School Building





Gregor Moe of Gary Running for County Treasurer



1908 Thor Wermager Store



1915 Ted & Oliver Rishof & Lewis Garden With Their Deer



1905 Farmers State Bank of Gary Sivert Sundet (Left) & Nels K. Bagne (Right)



Ox Cart Days - H.J. Vangen Carpenter Shop Float



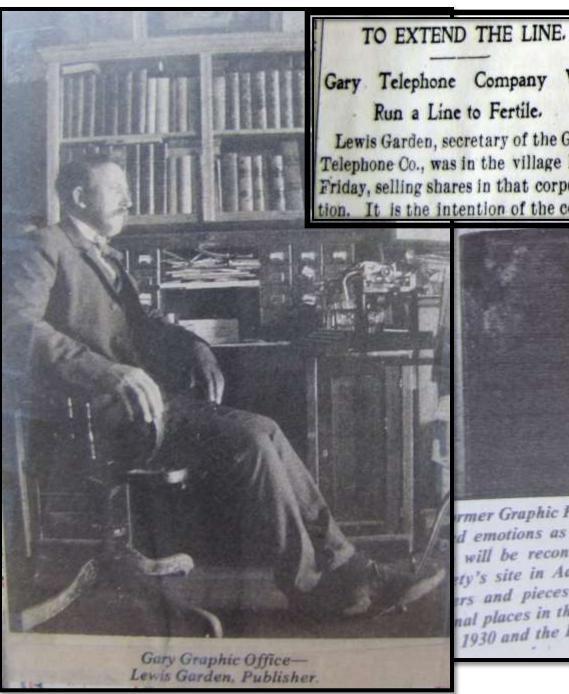
1908 Kittleson Homestead



Oscar Thordal Garage & Livery Barn Established



1900 Cargill, Monarch, Thorpe, and Great Western Elevators



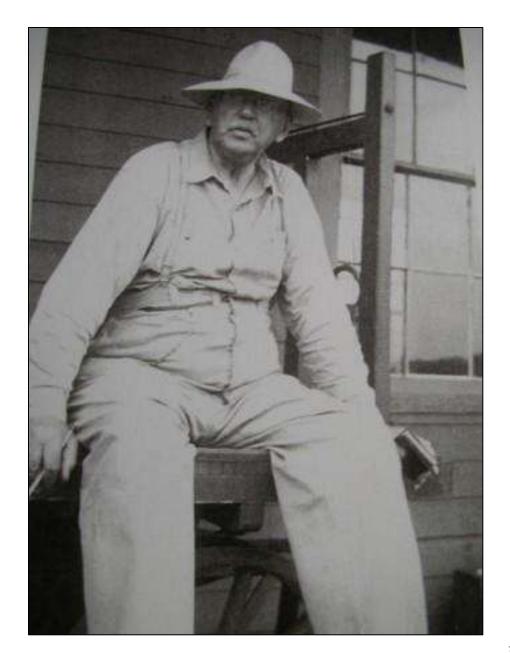
Gary Telephone Company Will

Run a Line to Fertile.

Lewis Garden, secretary of the Gary Telephone Co., was in the village last Friday, selling shares in that corporaion. It is the intention of the com-

> rmer Graphic Publisher Ray Garden watches with apparent d emotions as his old printing equipment goes out. The will be reconstructed at the Norman County Historical ty's site in Ada. As in most old print shops, calendars, ers and pieces of distinctive printing still hang in their nal places in the Graphic building. Calendar behind Ray is 1930 and the Lenten poster next to it is from 1936.

Lewis Garden Waiting at the **Gary depot** To catch the news of the day for the **Gary Graphic**







1900-1909 1st Avenue South Between Main & Thorpe Streets



1901 Gary Main Street



1901 First Gary Fire City Hall



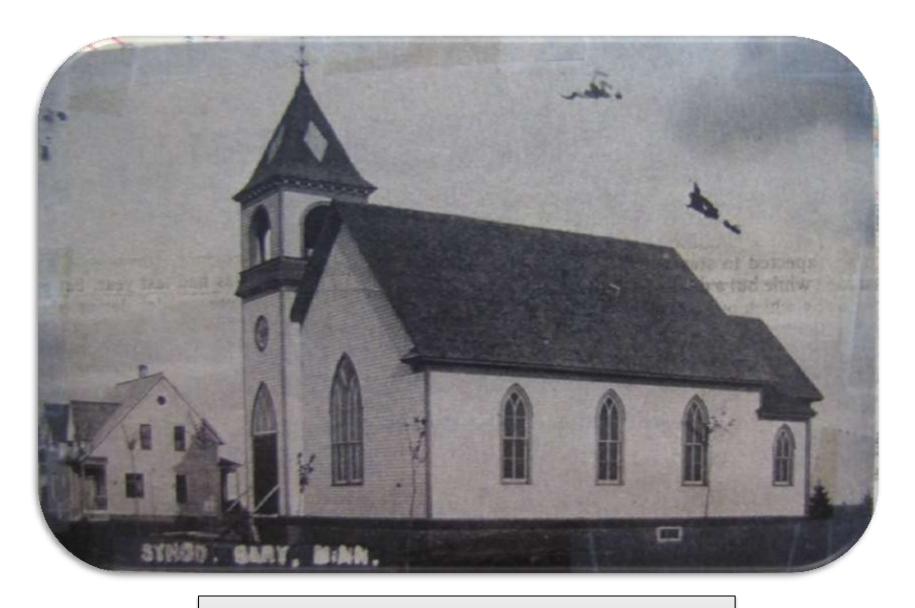
Birds Eye View of Gary



Gary School built 1905



North & South Church & School



1908 Gary North Church Built (Photo shows Church in 1940)



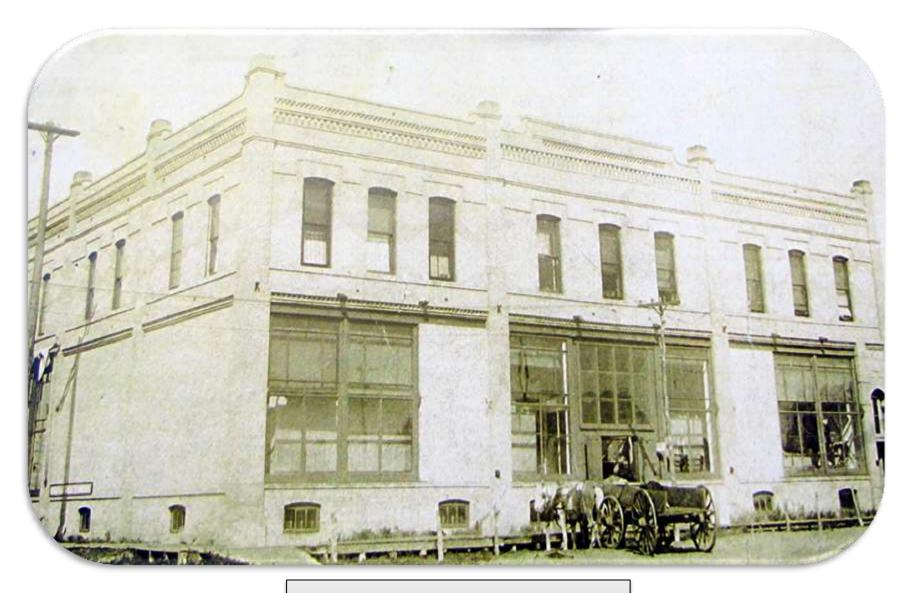
Greetings From Gary Minnesota (1908)

The Sirjord Sisters, Sonia Vivian & Athea sing "Down by the Old Mill Stream".





1910 – 1919 Decade. In 1910 the Gary Orchestra From Left: Miss Parker (Teacher), Albert Brunsberg, Supt. Schel, Arne Elleraas, O.J. Glagaas, & Henry Berg



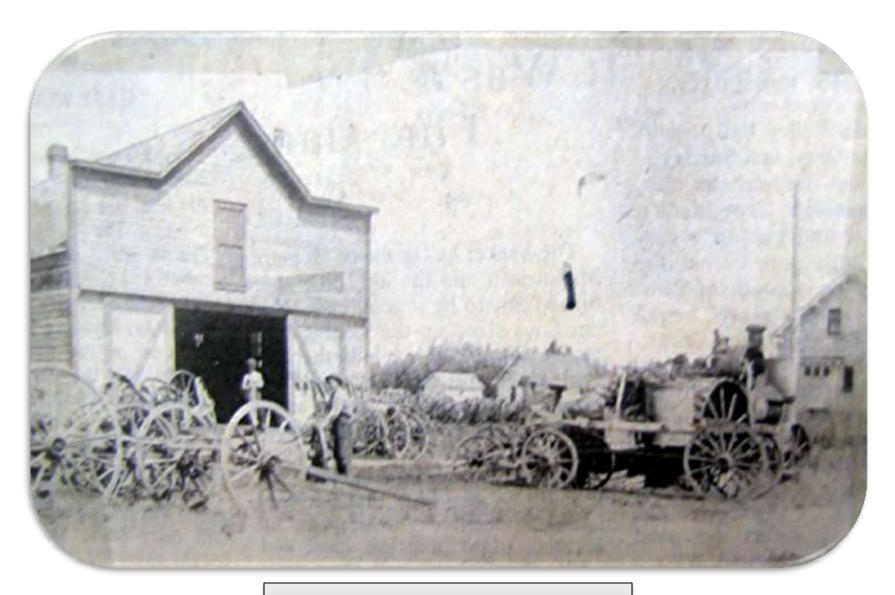
Mercantile Building



Rishof Owned Gary Meat Market



Shorty Dekko Pool Hall



1917 Blacksmith Shop Louis Bakke



Thor Wermager's Mercantile
Inside the Store
(This is located where the Fire Hall now sits)



The Mercantile after the Fire



The Aftermath of the Fire Main Street Businesses



Dewey Hotel on Fire



Farmers State Bank after the Fire



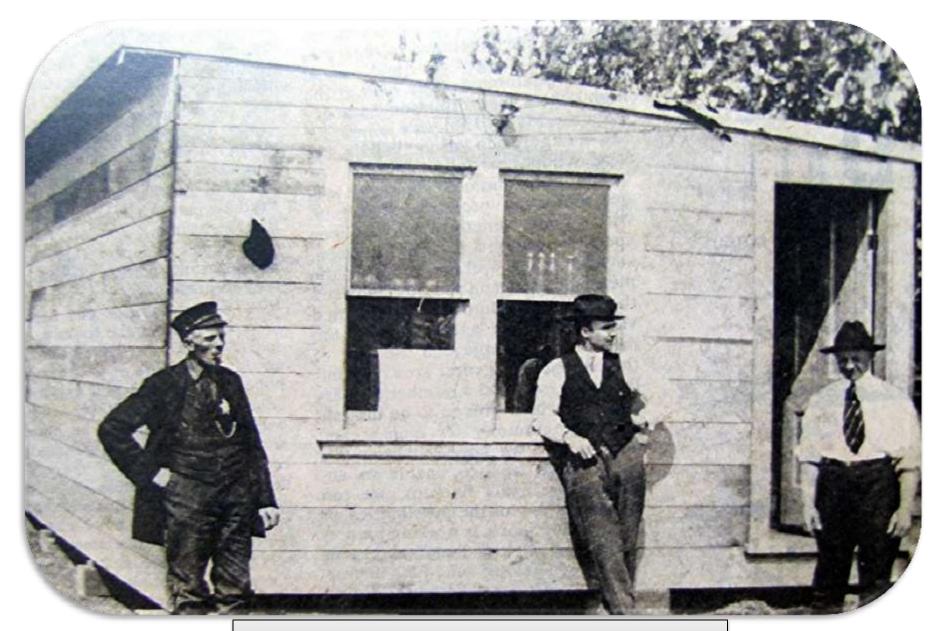
Gary Creamery
Saved by
Buttermilk!

Thorpe Elevator & Product was Saved Photo is taken after the Fire

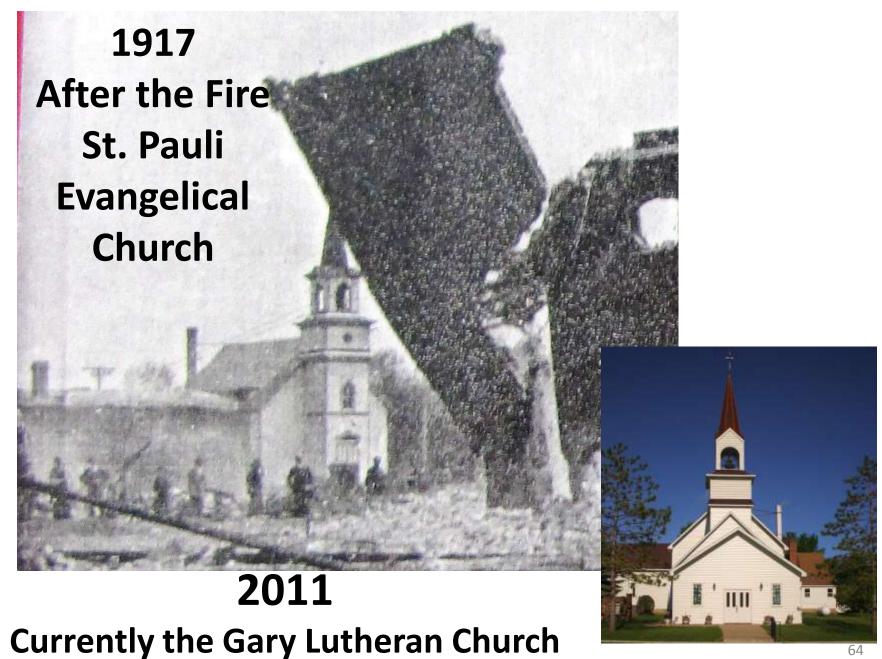




First Business to open after the Fire of 1917



Brunsberg Restaurant One of the Temporary Setup Businesses



Norm & Lori Gullingsrud & Team sing "Sea of My Life"





1st Avenue East



1920 Gary State Bank (Current Standing Bank 1920-2011)



1920 Gary Implement Co.
Owned by Gustov Eeg



1920's Mail Car Rudolph Gysland

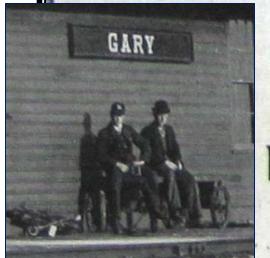


1920's Men & Tractors



1920 Crossing Main Street
A Town Rebuilt

A poultry CAR will be at



GARY

Tuesday November 8 Wednesday November 9

Market your Poultry now while Prices are High

Bring your poultry to the live poultry car at GARY and get your money. The car will be at the depot Tuesday November 8 and Wednesday November 9. Tell your neighbors-

Guaranteed prices: We guarantee the following prices and will pay more if the market is higher

Hen fover 4 lt : 16 cts. Hen (under 4 lbs.) (& cts. Springs 13 Old Rocsters 7cts. Ducks 13 cts. Geese 10 cts.

TURKEYS We advise you not to sell your Turkeys now. There will be better market for them later. We want them dressed

(dry-picked) about December first. The car is already here.

Peoples Supply Co. of Gary Inc.



1925 Eid & Garden Grocers

The Gunderson Sisters...

Maybe some of them taught YOU!

Note the Clothing of the era.



Charleston Flappers & Razz a Ma Taz



AWESOME DANCERS!

1930-1939 Decade following Black Friday Oct. 1929



1930's First State Bank Gary

People's Supply Co. 1st on Left



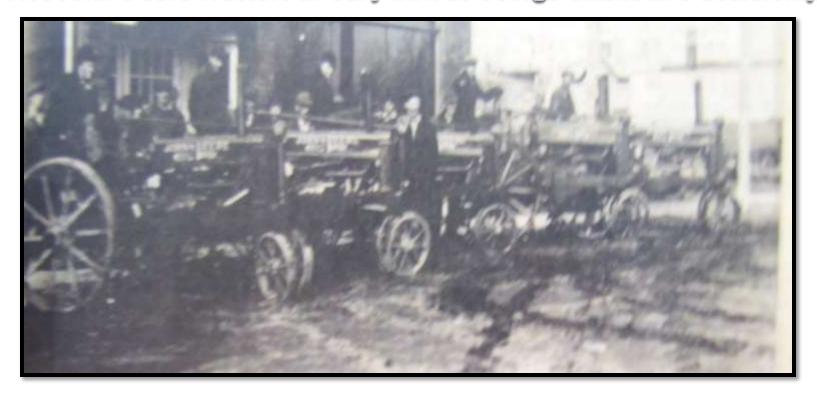


1930's Building Highway 32 Adolph Thronson & Knut Dekko



1935
Gary Implement
(Later Became Farmers Union Oil Company)

1st Five John Deere Tractors in Gary MN. at George Chisholm's dealership



Some of us here may remember or be related to the se people! The tractors in the photo depict George Chisholm, dealer of John Deere tractors sold the first 5 John Deere tractors to: #1 Jens Andersen driven by Clarence Wermager, #2 sold to Ole Lee driven by Leon Lee, #3 sold to Gifford Stoen driven by Gilman Gilbertson, #4 belonged to George Chisholm driven by Lawrence Wermager, #5 Owned by Oscar Moen driven by John Hamre.



1939 Outside the Station Oscar, Fern, & Doris Thordahl



1936 50th Celebration Gary Pioneers Martin Ysen, Peter Eidorn, Jacob Eid, Olai Lene, Rasmus Molto, & Ole Norby



Addition to 1905 Gary Public School



1936 Elmer Bjorge 1st Bus & Bus Driver



GHS Band Director Stanley Anderson

Gary Band 1938



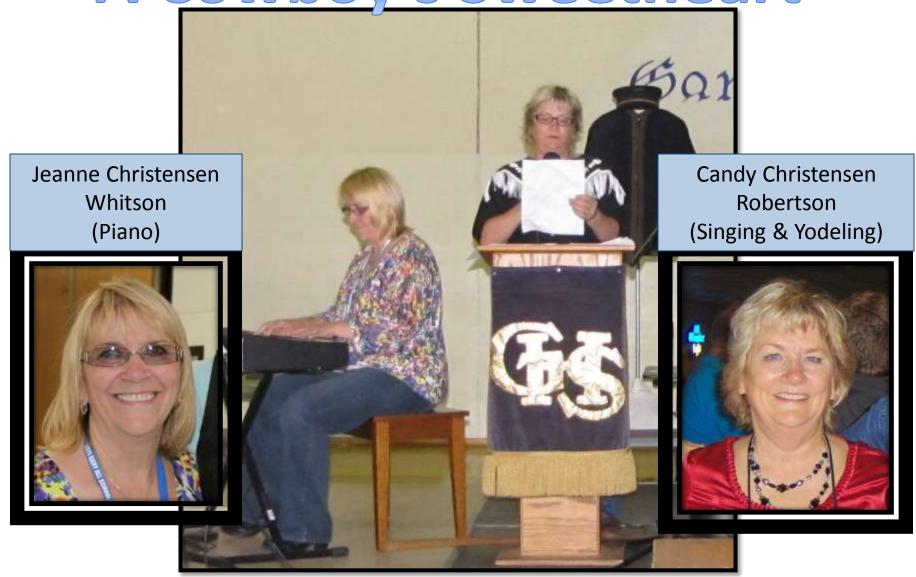
News clip: The band has made great progress during the year. The entire membership numbers nearly fifty and they have done well under the leadership of Mr. Stanley Anderson.





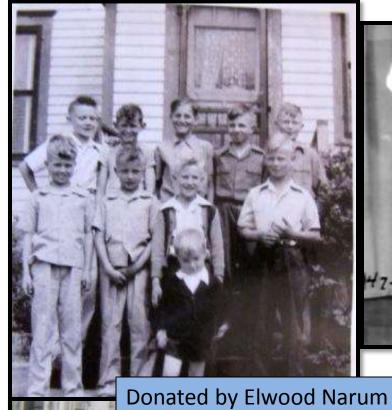
Shorty Dekko, Ted Rishoff, & Harold Thordahl

A Cowboy's Sweetheart





1940 Gary Creamery Iver Hanson – Butter Maker

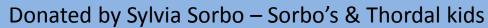




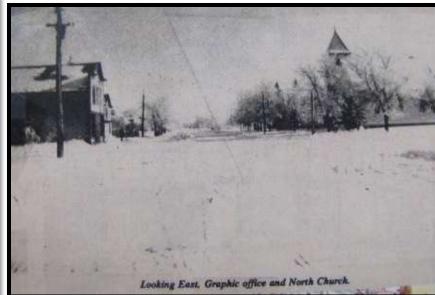
1947 1st GHS Cheerleaders Beverly N., Joy A., & Lovilla N.



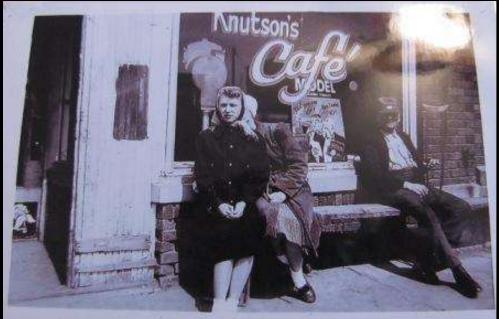
1st Cheerleading
Uniform Donated
to the Gary
Alumni Center
By Bev & Lovilla
Narum











ElwoodNarum

GHS CLASS OF 1950 U.S. NAVY



Ernest Narum 1917 ELWOOD WAS OUR SPEAKER FOR THE 1940'S AND TOOK THIS TIME TO HONOR OUR VETERANS. HIS SPEECH FOLLOWS NEXT DURING THE DISPLAY OF MILITARY PHOTOS.

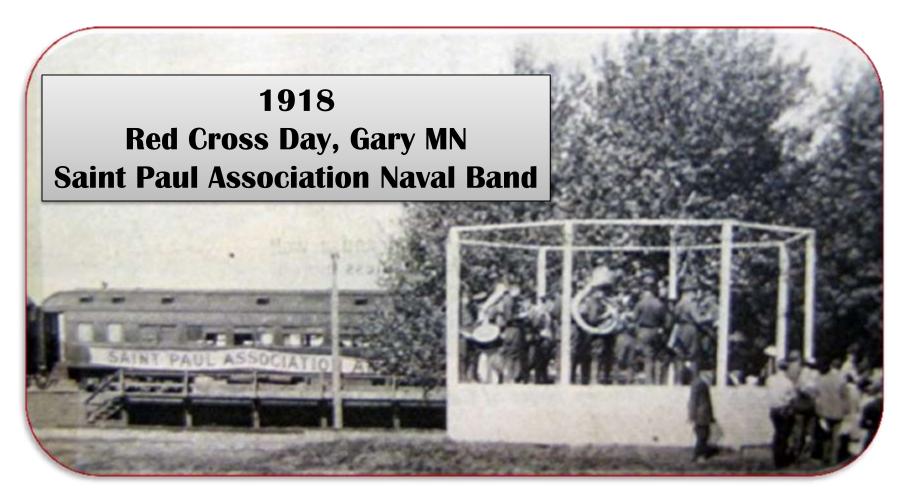
WE OWE A HUGE DEBT TO ALL VETERANS FOR OUR BEING HERE IN THE PEACEFUL SETTING THAT WE'RE ENJOYING TONIGHT. IN THIS TRIBUTE TO THOSE WHO SERVED OUR COUNTRY, I DON'T NEED TO MAKE A CASE FOR WHY WE OWE OUR VETERANS OUR DEEP GRATITUDE FOR THEIR SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES AND US, BUT I'D LIKE TO REFRESH OUR MEMORIES FOR SOME OF THE REASONS FOR THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT.





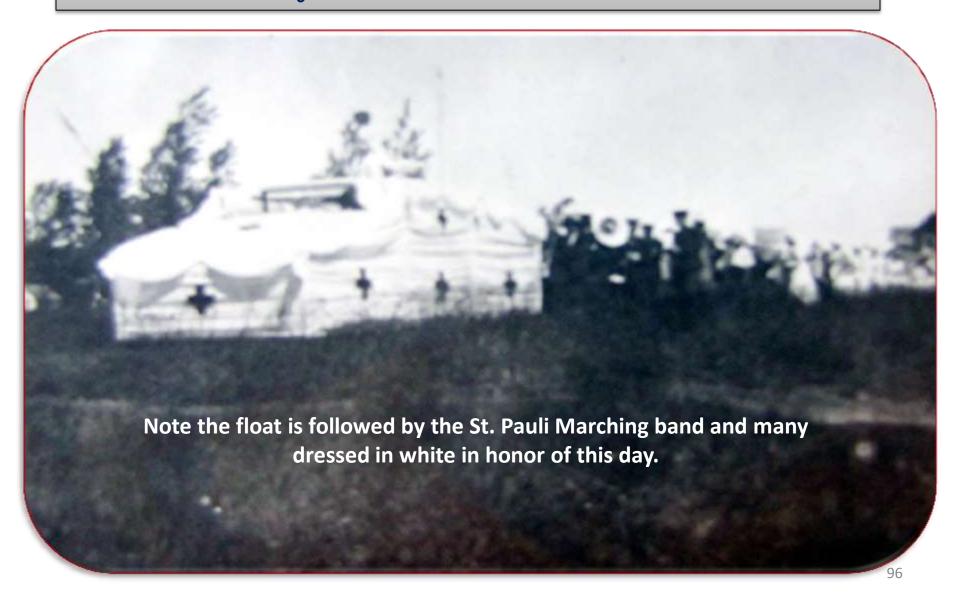
WORLD WAR 1 HAS BEEN CALLED THE WAR TO END ALL WARS, THE WAR TO MAKE THE WORLD SAFE FOR DEMOCRACY, THE WAR OF THE NATIONS, THE FIRST WORLD WAR AND THE WORLD WAR. IT INVOLVED ALL OF THE WORLD'S GREAT POWERS OF THE TIME. IT STARTED IN 1914 WITH AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN ACTS, THEN INVOLVED GERMANY, RUSSIA AND OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. IT WAS IN 1918 THAT THE UNITED STATES JOINED WITH OTHER EUROPEAN ALLIES TO CREATE A CEASE FIRE AT 11 A.M.

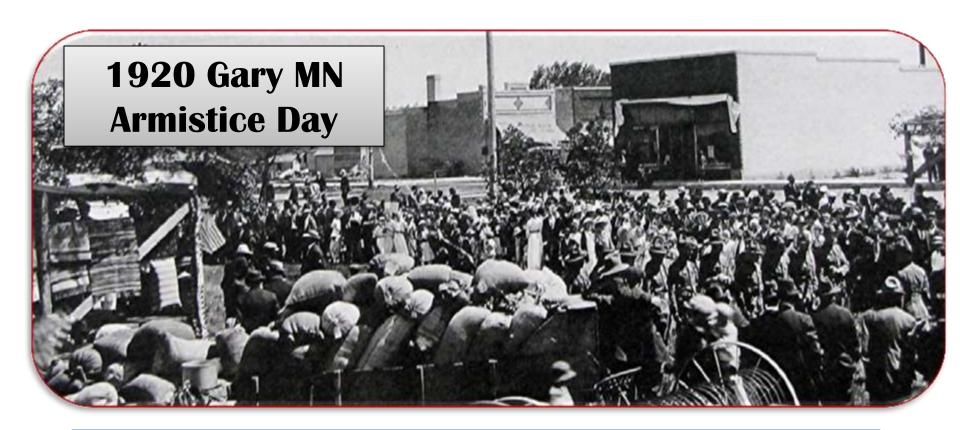
1918 John Flom WWI



MORE THAN 9 MILLION MILITARY PEOPLE FROM ALL SIDES HAD BEEN KILLED IN THIS WAR. OVER 100,000 OF THOSE KILLED WERE AMERICANS. OUR COUNTRY, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IS CREDITED WITH SUCCESSFUL OFFENSIVES THAT CREATED FREEDOM FOR MUCH OF EUROPE.

1918 GARY MN. Red Cross Day Parade . Red Cross Parade Float





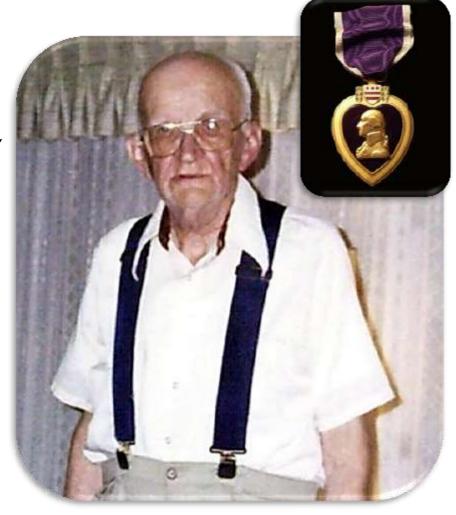
NOVEMBER 11, 1918, LATER BECAME KNOWN AS ARMISTICE DAY. Here is Armistice Day being celebrated in Gary in 1920.

Note the military uniforms on the right hand lower corner.

WWI ALSO LED TO THE FORMATION OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS IN THE HOPE OF PREVENTING ANOTHER CONFLICT OF THIS TYPE. HOWEVER, WE KNOW THAT WASN'T TO BE, BECAUSE THE INSTABILITY CAUSED BY WORLD WAR 1 HELPED TO MAKE POSSIBLE THE RISE OF NAZI LEADER ADOLF HITLFRAND THE BEGINNING OF WORLD WAR 2 IN 1939.

WORLD WAR II (WWII). AGAIN INVOLVED MOST OF THE WORLD'S NATIONS. IT WAS THE MOST DEADLY CONFLICT IN HUMAN HISTORY, WITH 50 TO 70 MILLION FATALITIES.

JAPAN'S ATTACK OF PEARL HARBOR (HAWAII) ON DECEMBER 7, 1941
DREW THE UNITED STATES TO DECLARE WAR ON JAPAN THE NEXT DAY. WITHIN DAYS GERMANY AND ITALY DECLARED WAR ON THE UNITED STATES. IT WASN'T UNTIL AUGUST 1945 THAT THE ALLIES COULD CLAIM TOTAL VICTORY OVER THEIR ENEMIES. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT OVER 400,000 AMERICANS WERE KILLED IN WORLD WAR 2.



Palmer Carlsrud WWII Purple Heart Recipient

Date of Post Origin Oct. 10, 1944 Name - Gary Post 505 Post

1944-45	Commander	Anton J. Eid
	Adjutant	Elmer Bjorge
1945-46	Commander	Ernest Narum
	Adjutant	Geo. Schneider
1946-47	Commander	Ray S. Hamre
	Adjutant	J. O. Stenson
1947-48	Commander	Clarence H. Nelson
	Adjutant	Marvin A. Berg
1948-49	Commander	Bertram Flaaten
	Adjutant	Harley Chisholm
1949-50	Commander	Ordale Thronson
	Adjutant	Harley Chisholm
1950-51	Commander	Kenneth A. Thompson
	Adjutant	Art Knutson
1951-52	Commander	Carmen J. Eeg
	Adjutant	Art Knutson
1952-53	Commander	Kenneth V. Flom
	Adjutant	William Kiltie
1953-54	Commander	Kenneth V. Flom
	Adjutant	William Kiltie
1954-55	Commander	William Kiltie
	Adjutant	Carmen J. Eeg
1955-56	Commander	Harry L. Olson
	Adjutant	Kenneth A. Thompson

Unit

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Isabelle Schneider Edna Moen Edna Moen Della Gunnufson Della Gunnufson Norma Garden Norma Garden Irene Dittmer Irene Thordal Helen Hammarback Helen Hammarback Edna Moen Violet Kundert Margaret Eeg Margaret Eeg Clara Kiltie Clara Kiltie Bernice Nelson Lillian Chisholm Margie Hemmingson Grace Flom Clara Kiltie Edna Moen Irene Thordal

Gary MN Legion & Legionnaire Original Members Post 505

1958 MN Centennial Parade . Legion & Legionnaires Post 505 in Gary MN



WWII WAS FOLLOWED BY THE SUPPORT FOR SOUTH KOREA IN THE KOREAN WAR FROM 1950 TO 1953. WE LOST OVER 50,000 MORE AMERICANS IN THIS WAR TO DEFEND SOUTH KOREA'S INDEPENDENCE.



1958 Military in Parade Minnesota Centennial



1965 Ron Christensen United States Navy



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Chuck C. E. MacCalip

1967 Dewey Sandwick , US Air Force Buzzy Miller, US Navy

Pictured with Collette Sandwick in Gary



"While the spirit of neighborliness was important on the frontier because neighbors were so few, it is even more important now because our neighbors are so many."

-Lady Bird Johnson-

Curtis Pontow United States Navy1981



Curtis Pontow finishes basic

Great Lakes, Ill. 60088.

Curtis E. Pontow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pontow of rural Gary, graduated from basic training at the Great Lakes Naval Base, Great Lakes, Ill., on Feb. 5.

He is now attending school at the base. Anyone wishing to write can send their letters to:

Pontow, F.R. Curtis E. 468800232

Serv. Sch. Com. Prop. Eng. Bas-EN, Co. 152, SSC-NTC.

THAT BRINGS A TOTAL OF OVER 600,000 AMERICANSIN
JUST THESE WARS WHO MADE THE ULTIMATE
SACRIFICE - THEIR LIVES - SERVING THEIR COUNTRY,
THEIR FELLOW AMERICANS AND FUTURE
GENERATIONS SO WE CAN LIVE IN PEACE & FREEDOM.
BUT ENOUGH OF THE BRIEF HISTORY OF
THE MAJOR WARS AND CONFLICTS SINCE WW1,
AND ENOUGH OF THE STATISTICS OF THE GREAT
LOSS OF OUR FELLOW AMERICANS.
WHAT WAS MEANT BY THIS BACKGROUND OF
INFORMATION WAS TO REFLECT ON THE AMERICAN
HERITAGE OF SUPPORTING OUR ALLIES IN THEIR
QUEST FOR FREEDOM, AND IMPORTANTLY, TO
PRESERVE FREEDOM FOR YOU, ME AND ALL

I DON'T NEED TO REMIND YOU, BUT MOST OF THOSE COUNTRIES WHICH WERE OUR ENEMIES ARE NOW OUR STRONG ALLIES, SUCH AS GERMANY, ITALY AND JAPAN. YOU ALREADY KNEW, I'M SURE, THAT IN EVERY INSTANCE, YOUR COUNTRY, THROUGH THE AID OF OUR BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN, WERE IN THE BATTLEFIELDS AND IN SUPPORT GROUPS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ALL OF US. AND IT WAS DONE AT A GREAT SACRIFICE OF LIFE AND DISRUPTION IN THE LIVES OF VIRTUALLY EVERY AMERICAN.

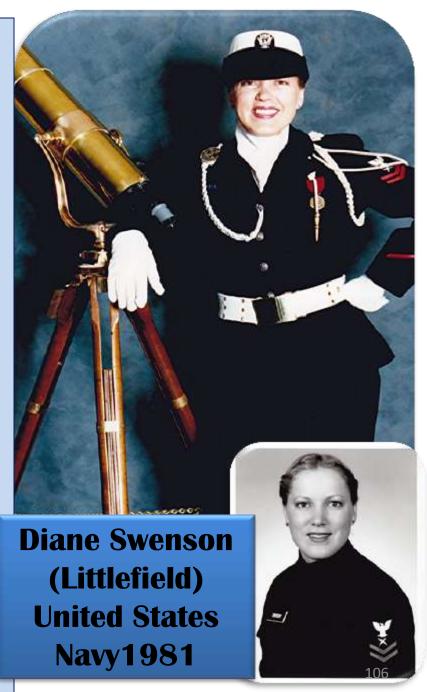
OF US HERE IN AMERICA.

HERE IN GARY AND IN THE GARY COMMUNITY,
OUR CITIZENS BRAVELY REPRESENTED US IN
EVERY ONE OF THESE WARS. WE SUFFERED THE
LOSS OF LOVED ONES AND EXPERIENCED
THE PAIN OF INJURY TO OTHERS.
YES, GARY MEN AND WOMEN PAID THE PRICE IN
THE BATTLES FOR FREEDOM.
IT IS THIS SALUTE TO ALL THE VETERANS,
NO MATTER WHERE YOU SERVED, OR HOW YOU

NO MATTER WHERE YOU SERVED, OR HOW YOU SERVED, THAT WE SALUTE YOU FOR YOUR IMPORTANT SERVICE TO BRING PEACE AND SECURITY TO OURSHORES AND THOSE OF OUR INTERNATIONAL FRIENDS.

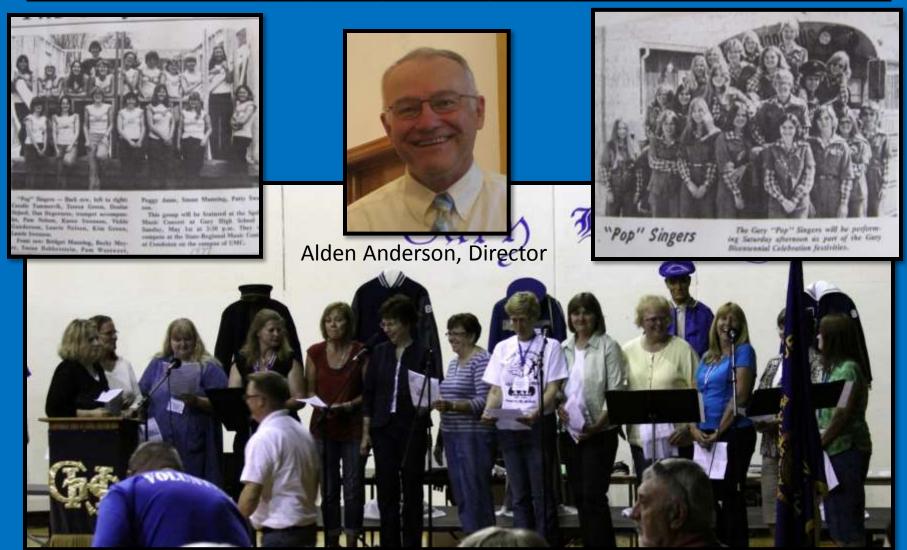
MAY YOU ALWAYS BE RECOGNIZED FOR YOUR
SERVICE TO AMERICA AND THE AMERICAN
PEOPLE. GOD BLESS ESPECIALLY ALL YOU
VETERANS AND ALL THE MEN AND WOMEN
PRESENTLY SERVING OUR COUNTRY!
GOD BLESS AMERICA!

SINCERELY, ELWOOD NARUM, U.S. LEGION POST 505 GHS CLASS OF 1950



Gary Pop Singers

Sing Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy



1950 - 1959





Gary State Bank Float



Gary Creamery Float

1954 Band Uniforms



In 1952 the school board approved plans for another addition. Three county school houses had been moved in to accommodate some of the grades until the new elementary building was completed.

This addition provided 4 grade rooms, a music room, shop, Home Economics, and office.

A large and appreciative audience attended the exercises held Sunday, May26, 1952 in the school auditorium for the dedication of our new school addition.

The 50's were a booming time!

A new building was slated to be finished in 1952 and in 1954 GHS received their first and only new band uniforms as well as new Basketball Uniforms.



The new addition was dedicated May 16, 1952

A special meeting of the Board of Education, Gary, MN was held in the Gary High School on

March 31, 1952 at 7:30 pm

Motion was made and carried that
we re-elect the teachers at the
following wages:

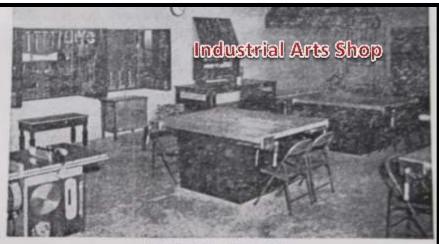
Bradford Lantz---3600.00. Mildred Halvorson----3150.00, Gordon Dobberstein----3200.00, Robert Ramstad-----3200.00, Eunice Fevig---3200.00, Myrtle Berggren----3150.00, Gary Woodward----3100.00, Mary Gunderson----2800.00, Violet Kundert---2650.00, Dorothy Krabbenhoft---2450.00. Helen B. Eid----2650.00, Clara Kiltie----2650.00, and Pernell Nelson----2650.00.





FIRST GRADE ROOM

This is one of four grade rooms provided by the new addition. The rooms are large, 26 ft. 6 in, by 27 ft., have excellent lighting, heating and ventilation and embody the latest developments in class room design. The first four grades are housed in the new



INDUSTRIAL ARTS SHOP

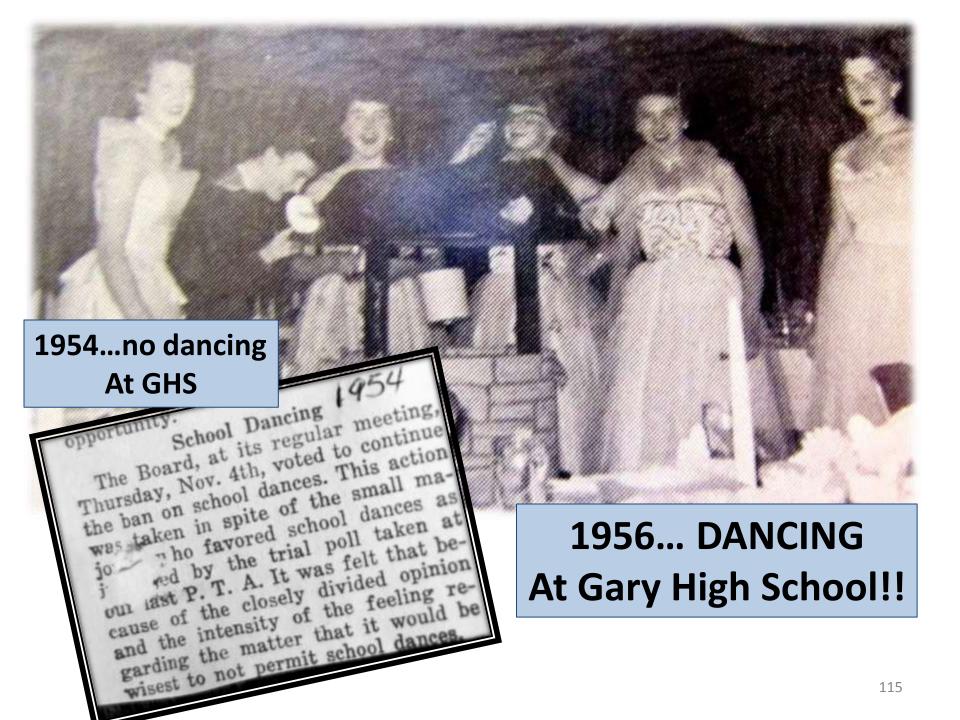
This is a partial view of the Industrial Arts shop which has work stations for six-teen boys and room for expansion if needed. All equipment, power tools, work benches and hand tools are new and of the best quality. The shop dimensions are 48 ft. by 31 ft. and provides adequate room for woodworking, metal working, electricity and drawing, as well as other units which may be added later.













First row: Renee Forsell, Sonia Sirjord, Wanda Benson, Kathleen Hermanson, Faulette Botteberg, Arlene Monson, Karen Martin, Joyce Oletake, Johnn Stephenson, Sonia Veker Second row: Laura Sohr, Marlene Leines, Frances Moteberg, Geraldine Moteberg, Twyla Shawstad, Carol Bennefield, Ellen Aagenes, Janet Dahl, Betty Halstensgaard, Grace

Braun, Shirley Werpy, Janice Bakke.
Third row: Faul Sorbo, Dennis Usgaard, Wanda Sirjord, Mavis Martinson, Verona Andersen, Ruth Griewe, Diana Eld. Sonia Tollerud, Audrey Garden, Jeanette Benson, Beverly Broers, Maris Sirjord, Darlene Sirjord, Derek Forsell, James Krogatad.

Fourth row: Darryl Omlid, James Shawatad, LaMont Hoppestad, Gary Dekko, Jerry Christ





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Band Director Mr. Ramstad

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1958, new
instruments
were added to
the band and
308 students
were registered
at the
Gary Public
School

Every noon hour was a chance to go up town via the Gary school corridor alley way to up town Gary. Millie Halvorson taught us---the shortest distance between 2 points is a straight line. I would say to my friends such as Donald Raaen, Ronnie Sirjord, David Flom, Bud Shawstad, Dennis Everson, Harley Benson, Donald Gunnufson, Loren Davidson and sometimes younger ones like Arvid (Barley) Sather and a few older ones like Hiram Sirjord OH YA and Howard Gorder.

If you had 25 cent, you were in fine shape, Chewing gum, a penny a pack at the Albert & Clara Brunsberg store. If you were lucky you could gamble on getting a stripped gum ball worth a nickel. That would mean an ice cream cone at Starkey's. If you had enough time, you could buy reasonable treats at the Narum's Store and Tommy' Anderson's Store as well. It was also a treat to peek in the Pool Hall and see NORSKE citizen such as Knute Weberg, Hennie Werpy, Nils Borgen, Warstad Brothers engaged in Social hour. Enough of that!

If you can picture Gary in the Fifties going the back alley from east to west. On the south side was the backyards of Bob Ramstads, Ray Garden's, Art Eid's, Ray Minnie's, Halvor Lee House, Gina Sersland, Gary Hotel and the Haugen House. On the other side was Gordy's (Dobbies House), the Knutson House, The Strand House, Elias Strandlien and the North Lutheran Church (now the tennis Court).

When you made it up town Gary, turn left south to the Brunsberg Store, back to the alley up town on the left was Thordals Garage (Ford Dealer). The alley way had a deer hunting house as a projector place for the Saturday night movies.

The screen was the back wall of Thordal's Garage.

Maybe someone else can recall better about the main block of Gary, on the south side was the Brunsberg Store, Eeg Implement and Hardware—later Airhart Implement, than the Thordal Store (used to be Narum's groceries, the Bank facing west was Lilly Hanson's Variety and Dress Shop, Starkey's Café, the Gary Pool Hall and Dekko Barber Shop and Tommy Anderson's Store. The North side was west to east the Post Office, Porky Knutson's Café, Legion and the Gary Creamery

You know the town didn't seem big to others but for a farm kid from Waukon Township it was very big. For 10 to 25 cents it was a great noon hour well spent, chance to get chum gum, pop, ice cream and candy.

THE GARY ALLEY TO TREATS was a school venture well remembered. IT WAS AWESOME!!!! Ole written for the Tri Festival in Gary 2011 Memories by
Ole (Lyle) Olson
Class of 1956

"The Alley
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Elvis was in the house...Rockin' the 50's!

Arlene (Olson) Staiger



Pure Gary MN Entertainment!



Decade of 1960-1969



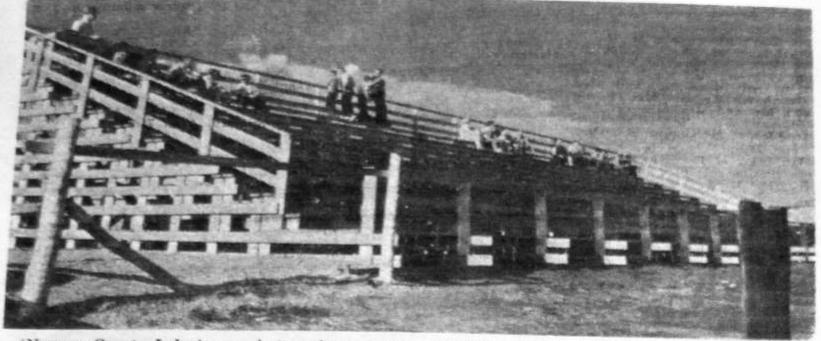
We, the class of '64 dedicate our 1964 Growler to Mr. Gordon Dobberstein, who has been a great asset to our high school faculty as teacher, guidance counselor and principal. He has helped us through our high school years by setting a fine example of friendship and leadership.

Mr. Dobberstein served in many positions at GHS ending his career there as a long time superintendant that was respected by all.

r. Dobberstein, and Mr. Meye

1953 Champs

Gary Speedway Drawing Large · Crowds



(Norman County Index)

The above photo shows the Gary Speedway grandstand and a few racing fans shortly after the gate opened last Sunday. The speedway was just recently completed and has been entertaining to capacity crowds. The stands, when full, have a capacity of 600 people.

The raceway is the scene of several types of racing. Races featuring go-karts, horses and stock cars are held every Sunday evening. Stock cars seem to be the main attraction with many area drivers taking part.

In stock car racing there are

two classes at the speedway. One, class C, is cars that are strictly stock in every way except for the required safety equipment. The other class is B. In this class the driver is allowed to "hop-up" his car.

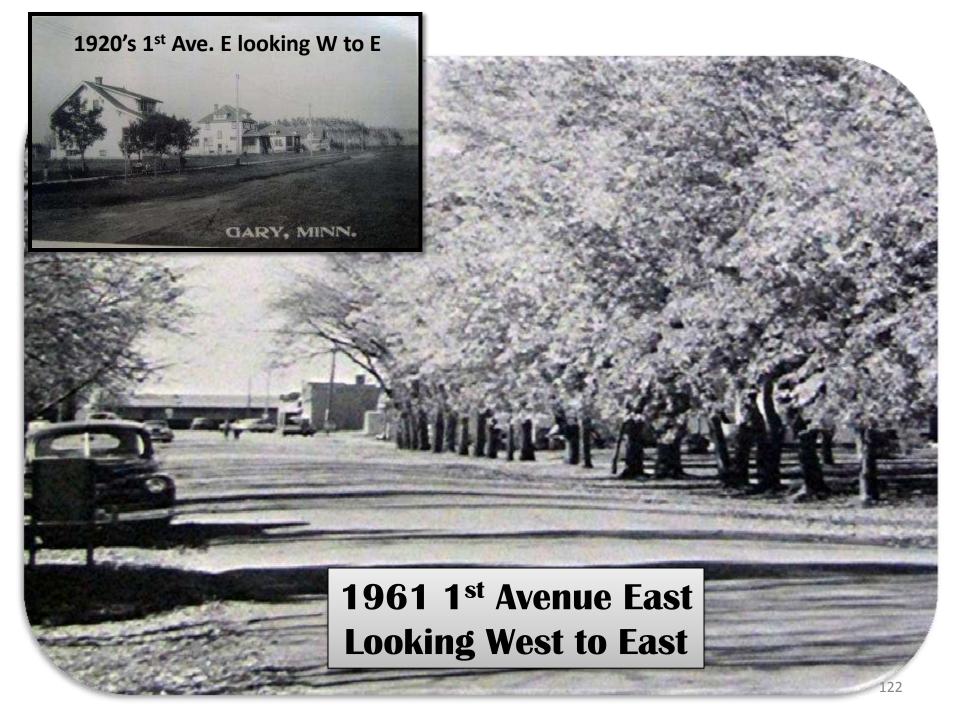
As all know, the automobile can be dangerous. With this in mind, racing officials across the country have made certain safety features required for stock car racing and these regulations are observed at the Gary Speedway. In brief, these requirements are: removal of all glass, cushions and regular gas tank. A five gallon tank is installed behind a fire wall in place of the regular tank. In addition, roll bars, crash helmets and safety belts are required. With this safety equipment, serious injury to the driver is very rare.

At the speedway, money as well as sport attracts the drivers. The drivers receive 50% of the gate admission money. This is awarded to the drivers in accordance with their placing in the races. Money is paid for first, second and third place in the regular races and the first five drivers are awarded prizes in the feature race of the evening.



Shown above are the three owners of the Gary Speedway. They are (1 to r) Marvin Anderson, Gary, Ed Forsell, Gary, and Harold Natwick of Twin Valley. Anderson and Natwick have charge of all auto racing and Forsell is in charge of horse racing. The three track owners are looking forward to a big season next year. Future plans call for the erection of a second grandstand and a concrete crash wall in front of the stands. The new grandstand will have a capacity of 600, thus doubling the present seating area.—Picture story by Ralph Thore-

Marvin Andersen, Ed Forsell & Harold Natwick



Staff at GHS 1963



Mrs. Al Sarver-Home Ec., Girls Phy.

Sd., and Health

Mrs. Clifford Holth-English

Mrs. Manford Halvorson-Mathematics



Mrs. Melvin Servine-Jr. High English, History, and Speech Mr. Carl Erickson-History, Social, Health, and Boys Phy. Ed. Mr. Robert Ramstad-Ind. Arts and Band



Mrs. Arne Eid-Third Grade Mrs. Harold Thordal-First Grade

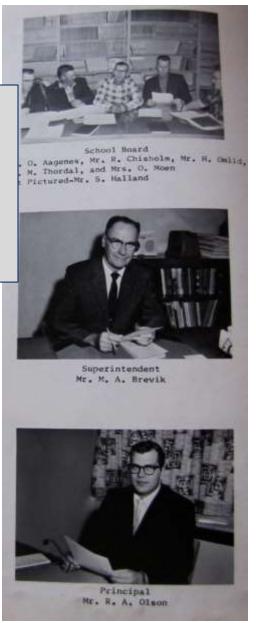
Mrs. Dave Kiltie-Second Grade



Miss Mary Gunderson-Sixth Grade Mrs. Orville Hawkins-Fourth Grade Mrs. Marvin Nelson-Fifth Grade



1963
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Grand Opening

GARY T. V. & RADIO

Sat. Dec. 15, 1962

FREE COFFEE WILL BE SERVED

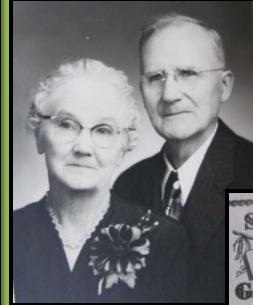
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SEE YOURSELF ON CLOSED CIRCUIT T.

See our fine line New 1963 Sylvania T. V.'s We have s Good used and Stereo to sel

Come and see us for all y

Albert & Clara Brunsberg



Frank Millers Purchase Brunsberg Store Here

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller have purchased the Brunsberg store in this village. They will remain closed until Sept. 5th when they will open for business. Mrs. Miller has had considerable experience in the store business having been employed at the

from time to



We're deeply grateful for the gift of your friendship.

Brunsberg's

Gary, Minn., Thurs., April 11, 1965

Gary Has 'New Look' In Street Lighting

The Otter Tail Power Company is installing 37 new fluorescent luminaires for street lighting in Gary, according to Lee Engen, Crookstan District Manager. The new system will replace the present system of 36 incandescent lights. Most of the work is now complete, with just a few pulse and lights remaining to be installed.

The work is being done by Crookston linemen Bruce Henderson and Jim Erickson, with Les Brooks, service representative of Twin Valley assisting.

Total cost to the Company for the new system will be \$4000 according to Engen.

The new fluorescent lights will give over three times as much light as the incandescent system, and each light is controlled by a photo electric eye so that they will be on from dusk to dawn.

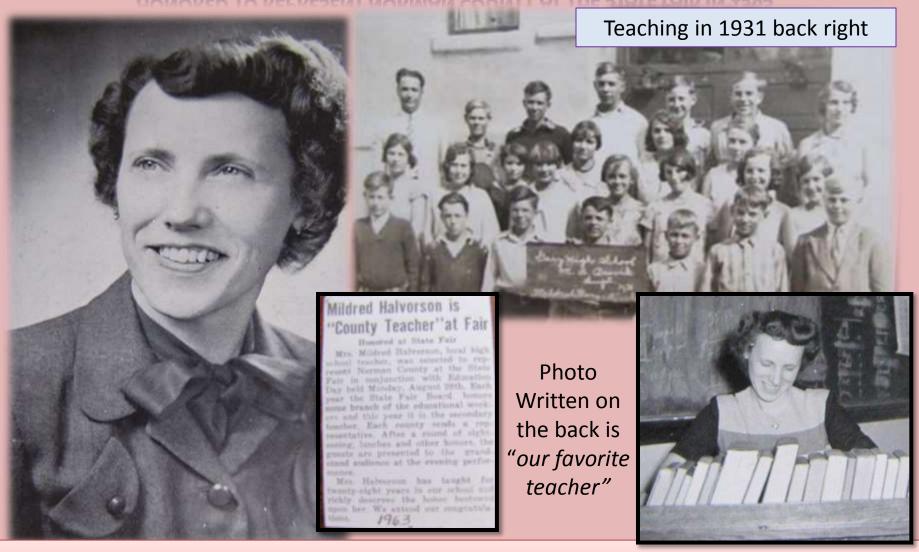
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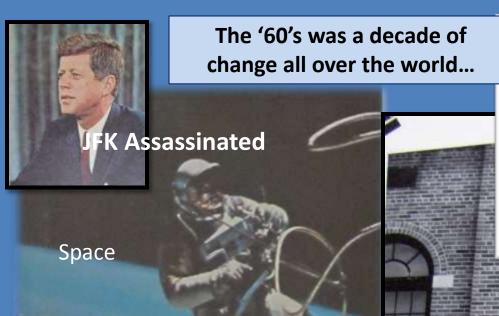
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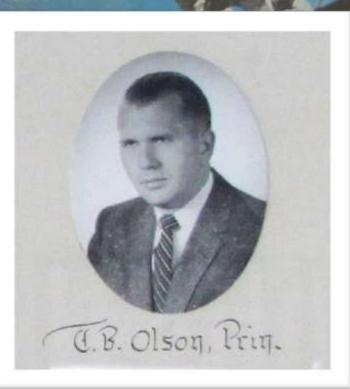
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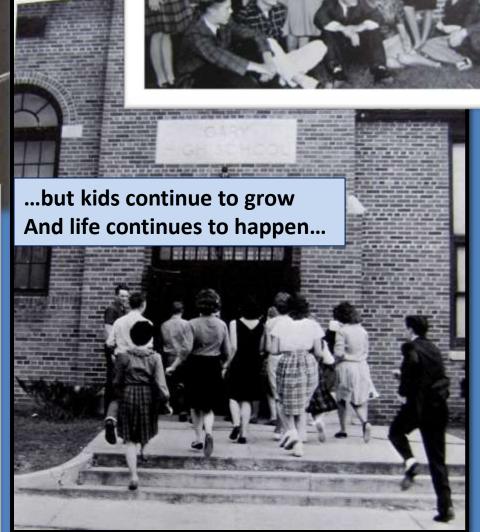
HONORED TO REPRESENT NORMAN COUNTY AT THE STATE FAIR IN 1963



"A machine has value only as it produces more than it consumes – so check your value to the community." -Martin H. Fischer-









The Degerness Brothers

Singing "When I'm 64" by the Beatles





Alden Anderson



Class of 1969





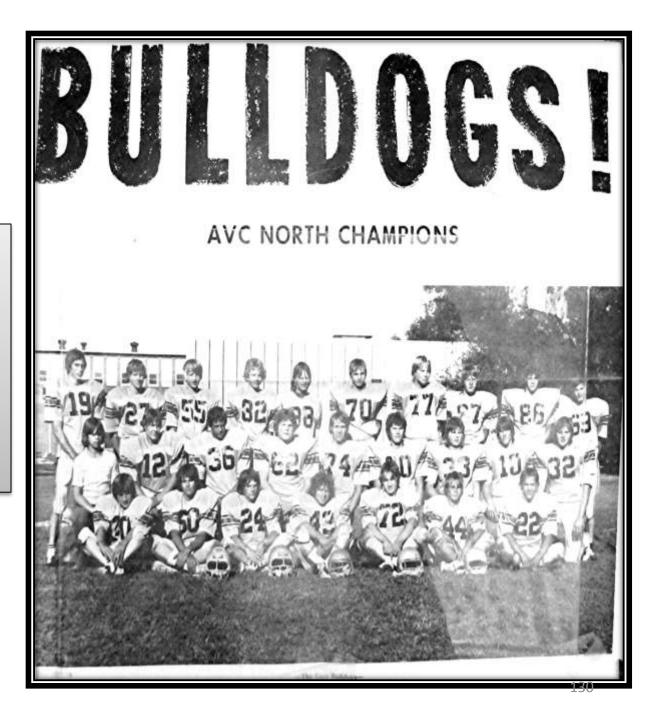
Decade of 1970 - 1979

1970 Gary State Bank Womens Softball Champions



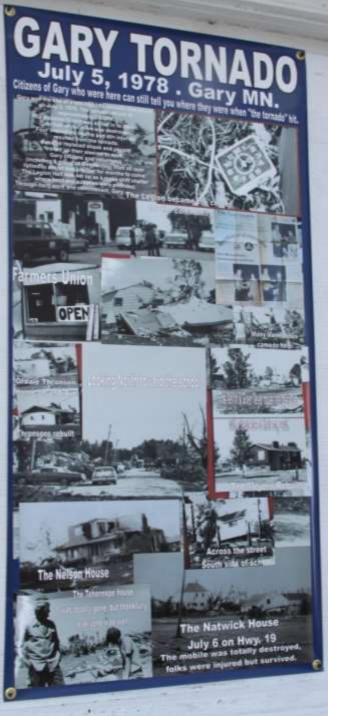
The champion women's softball team of Gary was sponsored by The Gary State Bank. Pictured in the bottom row, left to right, are Jeannie Whitson, Connie Ramstorf, Audrey Felske, Hazel Thompson, Karen Bentley. Second row—Jean Pinske, Valerie Natwick, Gail Nohr. Third row—Gail Erickson, Candy Kolnes, Celeste Christensen, Joyce Gerjets. Managers and coaches are Leroy Whitson, Bruce Griewe, Gene Werpy and Lloyd Thompson.

1977-78
GHS
Football
Champions





Farmers Union Float



The Tornado 1978

At 3:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 5th 1978, without warning, a devastating tornado hit the sleeping city of Gary.

"All the art of living lies in a fine mingling of letting go and holding on."
-Henry Ellis-



Anderson House



Before & After Myers House



Gary & Kathy Tehennepe's house

Gary From the Air . Tornado of 1978



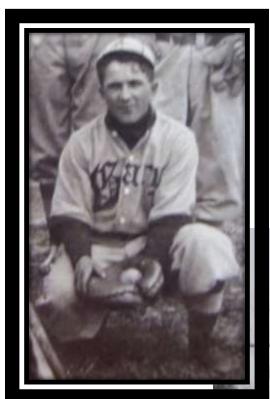
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Looking North Towards the School



Natwick House



The Ad read like this:

All those interested in organizing a baseball team in Gary are requested to meet at the Graphic office on Saturday evening, April 7, 1900 at 8:00p.m. Six years later... In Comes "Mr. Baseball", age 14 in Gary MN...

Shorty Dekko



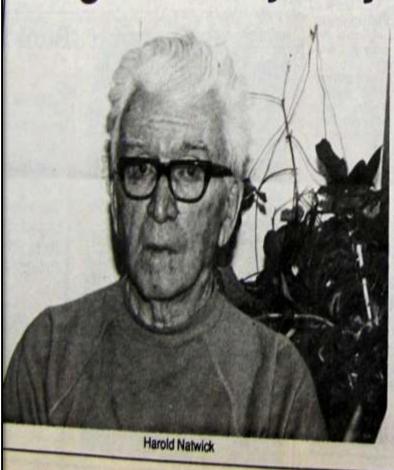
1969 Amateur Base Ball Hall of Fame Nov. 4, 1972 Shorty Dekko Day





1980 - 1989

Longtime Gary mayor retires



Harold Natwick ended his 12-year reign as Gary's mayor Dec. 31. Lynn Thordal will take over the mayor's duties for the rest of Natwick's term which ends in 1992.

Natwick will be remembered by many Gary residents as the mayor who oversaw many improvements to the city. During his time as mayor, Gary began providing city water for the residents; cable television became a reality; black-top streets were improved; a senior citizen center was developed and senior meals were offered.

Maybe the best memory Gary residents will have of Natwick's terms in office is the fact that taxes did not increase for nine consecutive years between 1982 and 1991.

He had a very simple philosophy that proved very successful when it came to undertaking projects—if you don't have the money, don't spend it. Not one special assessment was levied during his tenure. The only time the city had to borrow money was for the water project.

Natwick ran the city of Gary more like a business than a municipality. He instituted a wood cutting program where firewood from city-owned property was cut and sold for a profit. Money from the wood sales was accumulated in the city's general fund and when a project needed to be done, there was always that money available. Enough was sold over

the years to finance an entire street black-top project without spending one cent of taxpayer money.

He also worked at getting grants to pay city workers which allowed the city to hire people without using taxpayer money. Natwick said in an interview last week that he was not adverse to knocking on doors and the telephone was a good tool for a mayor.

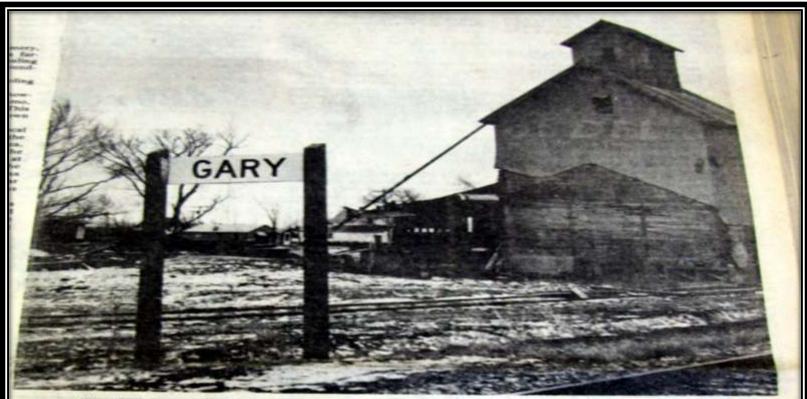
Another achievement Natwick can be proud of is the city-owned equipment acquired during his time. A payloader, trucks and other snow removal equipment gave the city enough snow moving vehicles to clear their own streets. The city also built a 72 x 40 warehouse for the equipment in 1985 and purchased a 65 x 40 quonset in 1988.

Natwick said Thordal would do a good job as mayor and was happy with his appointment.

When asked what his plans were now that he is no longer mayor, Natwick said he and Eva, his wife of 50 years, will stay around Gary. He enjoys reading and watching television.

Their five children live pretty close to them. Betty Stueness lives in Gary; David Natwick and Marsha Gullingsrud live in Twin Valley; Valorie Natwick lives in Ada; and Carolyn Warrington resides in Park Rapids.

1981 Harold Natwick Retires as Mayor



The elevator in Gary in the process of demolition.

[Photo by Dave Hasseltine]

Gary elevator bites the dust

BY DAVE HASSELTINE

A little bit of history was removed rom Gary last week with the demolition f the old Gary elevator.

Built around 1905, the elevator was ne of only four remaining structures renaining in Gary that survived the Gary re of 1917.

The fire, according to published acounts, started Tuesday, May 22, 1917, ound 5:30 p.m. near the Trandem otel. It made a clean sweep of all buildgs south and east to the creamery. ossed the street to the south and again ossing the street, took the northwest

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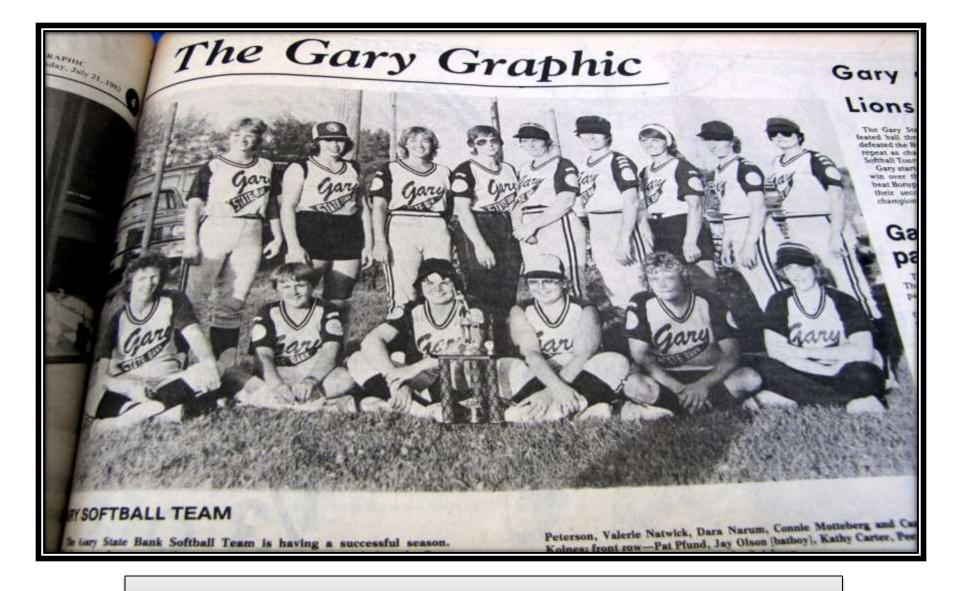
The fire spread quickly because of the north wind, the wooden buildings which caught fire easily and little firefighting equipment to battle the fire.

The losses were estimated to be around \$150,000 and the fire destroyed almost the entire business section with 28 businesses burned and 25 families left homeless. Luckily no one was killed in the fire which took less than 20 minutes to run its path of fire throughout the community. Among buildings burned were the Olson and Martinson's Hardware Store, Dekko's Meat Market, the People's Supply Company's Machinery Warehouse, the two banks and the post

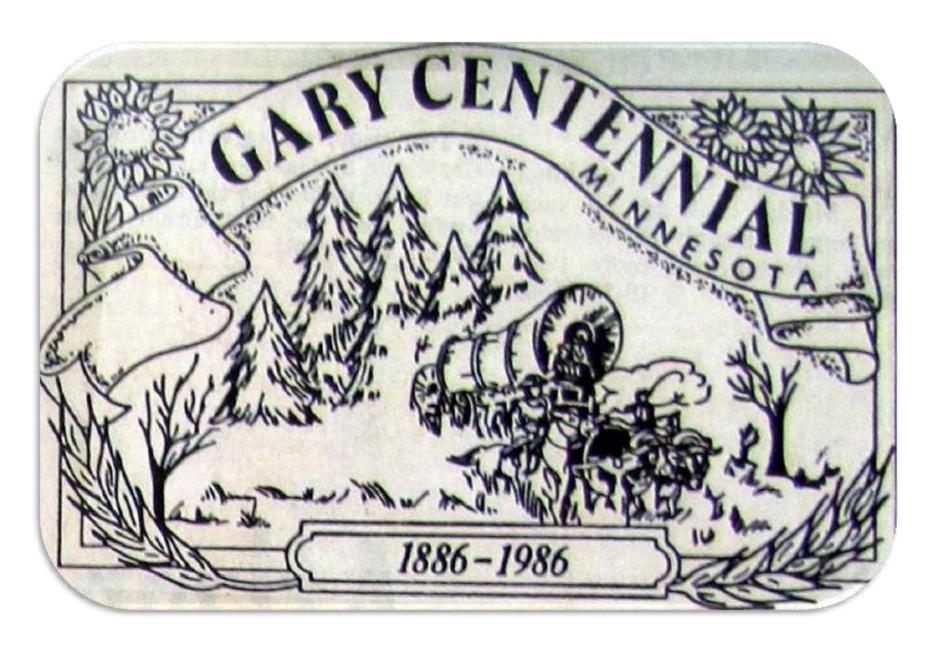
The Gary elevator was one of four elevators operating in Gary in 1917, but has not been in use for several years.

The three remaining structures are the Standard Garage, the old Gary Graphic building, and the Chance Bar and Cafe building which was a bank at the time of the fire.

1982 Gary Elevator Demolition Scheduled 142

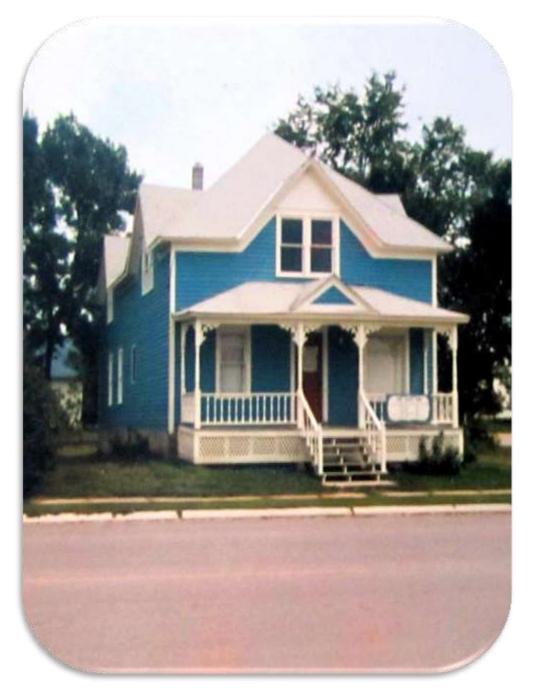


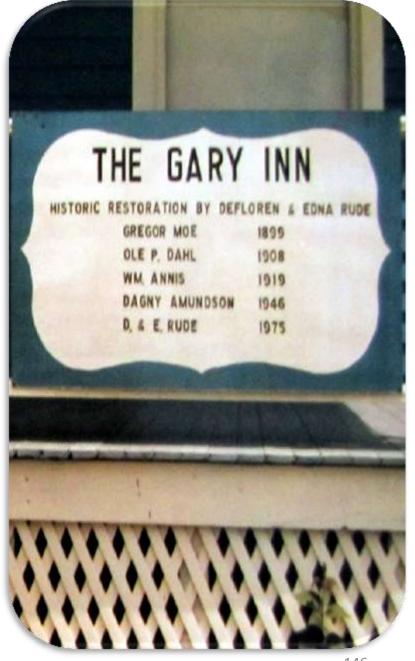
1982 Womens Softball - Gary





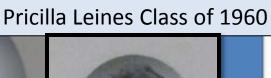








The Leines Family





Priscilla Leiges



Angie Leines Class of 1964



1990 - 1999... a Decade of Change



Thank you Merlyn!

Merlyn Meyer: 27 years of dedica

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"The team with the fastest horses was

usually the better team," he commend-

In 1953, Gary won its first championship, and in 1954, a year before Meyer came, whiched to eight man football.

Meyer recalls a game against Twin Valley in 1957. At that time, Twin Valley played 11 mass football, and was in a difference conference.

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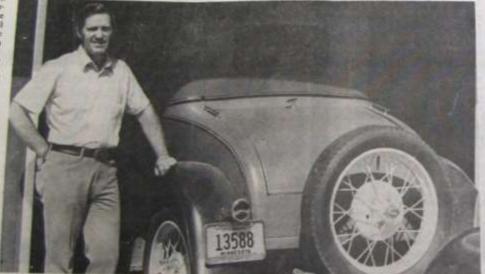
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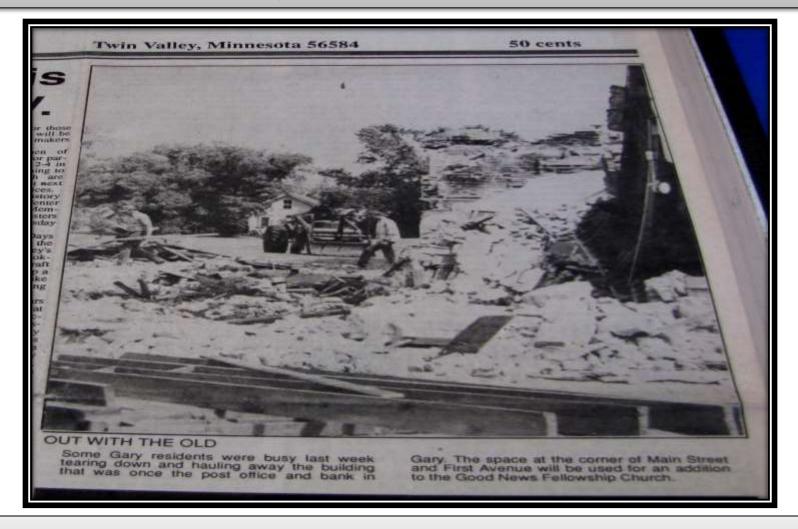
TIME FOR HOBBY

Meyer thinks he'll have more time for his hobby of restoring old cars now that he is no longer active with athletics. Here he stands with a 1924 Model A Ford.



We, the Senior Class of 1966, proudly dedicate our Growler to Mr. Merlyn Meyer. We wish to express our sincere appreciation and thankfulness for his leadership and guidance which started in junior high and continued through our high school years. He has been an inspiration to us, not only as a teacher, but also as a coach and 149 friend.

1992 Old Gary Post Office Torn Down



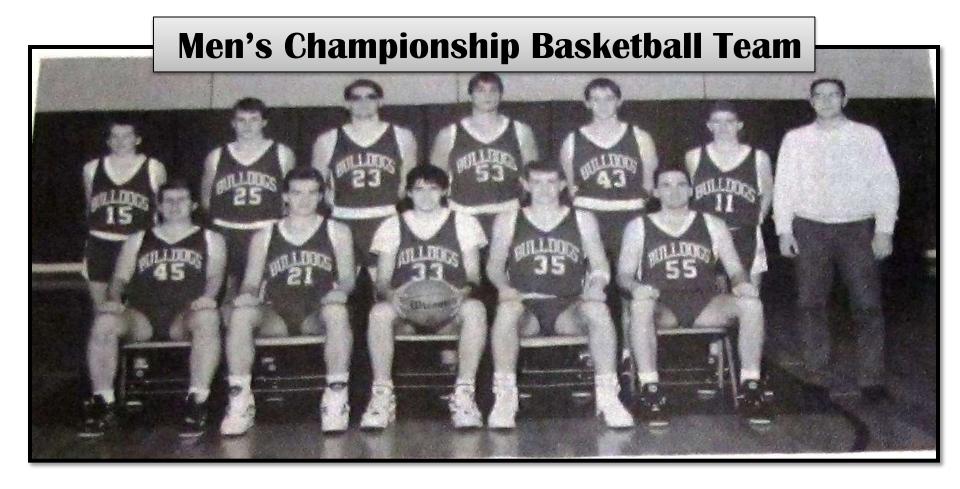
These changes are big news but it was only the beginning of "Retirements" in 1992

1992 Gary & Twin Valley Schools Merge to become NCE



Wow! Generations of rivalry on the field, in music, in academics and more... now we were to merge. Just think of sitting next to "Twin Valley People" and rooting for the same team. Just think of our kids dating their kids... Who would have ever believed it? ... More importantly WHO WOULD KEEP THE ROSIN CAN??

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The Gary Bulldogs Men's BB Team did not go out quietly.

Each sports team fought hard but none were more successful than the Gary bulldogs Men's Basketball Team of 1992 coached by Brad Strand and assistant coach Norm Gullingsrud.



1992 Accepting the Rosin Can Trophy for the Last Time: Merlyn Meyer & Brad Strand

The Gary Bulldogs did not go out quietly. Each sports team fought hard but none were more successful than the Gary bulldogs Men's Basketball Team of 1992 coached by Brad Strand and assistant coach Norm Gullingsrud. Gary faced their nemesis Twin Valley one last time. Victoriously the Bulldogs ended the 37 year tradition of the infamous "Rosin Can". Its final resting place would be in Gary MN.



As a gesture of good will and acknowledging a lifelong friendship with Gary, the final game of the season was attended by all the former **Bulldog Coaches.** This gesture was deeply appreciated by **Gary Athletes**, alumni and fans both past & present.

1992 Gary Coaches Past & Present

Sub-section champion



TEAM DEFENSE

Fossion's Bryan Dunrud learned what the Buildogs' defense was all about during last Inuraday's sub-section championship game at Crookston Enc Sujord blocked this shot while Jim Olson (left), Mike

Gullingsrud (21) and Jason Benneteld (53) swarmed in for the ball. The Buildogs beat Foston 49-45 to win their tirst sub-section or district title.

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Coach Brad Strand said the key to beating the Pirates will be to defend against their three-point shooting

After Fossion's Kevin Resimeses canned two three-point shots in the first minute of the title game, the Bulldogs took control. Bon Suther his two three-pointers himself, fueling a Gary 9-0 run. The only other lulldogs hammer Bombers 64-41

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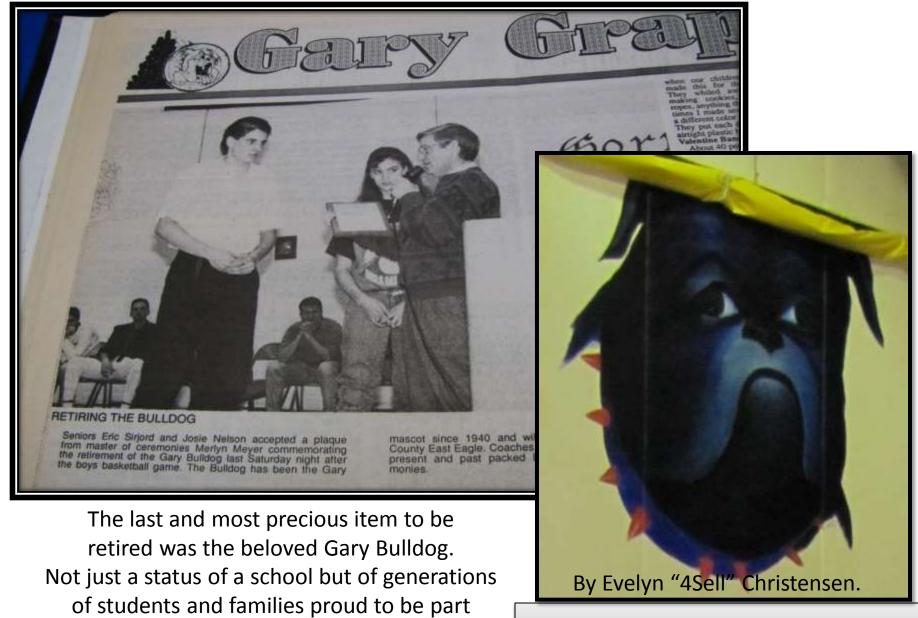
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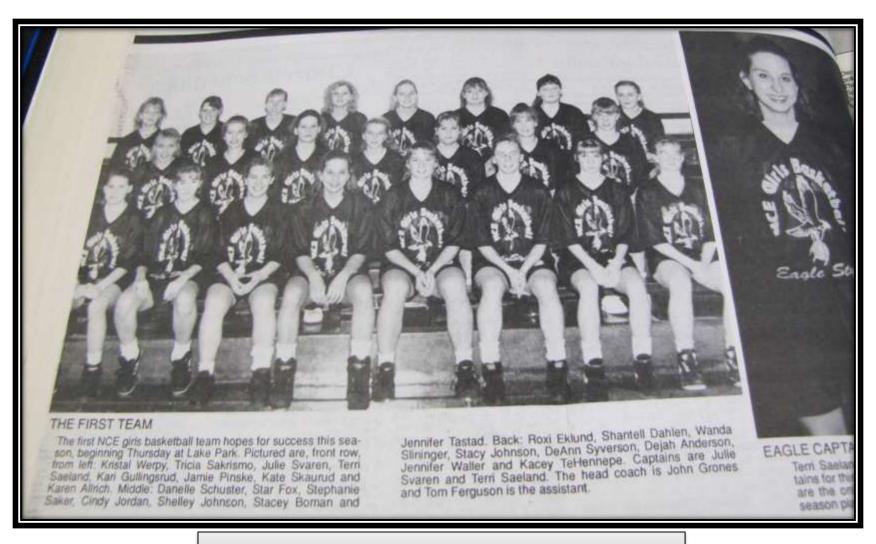
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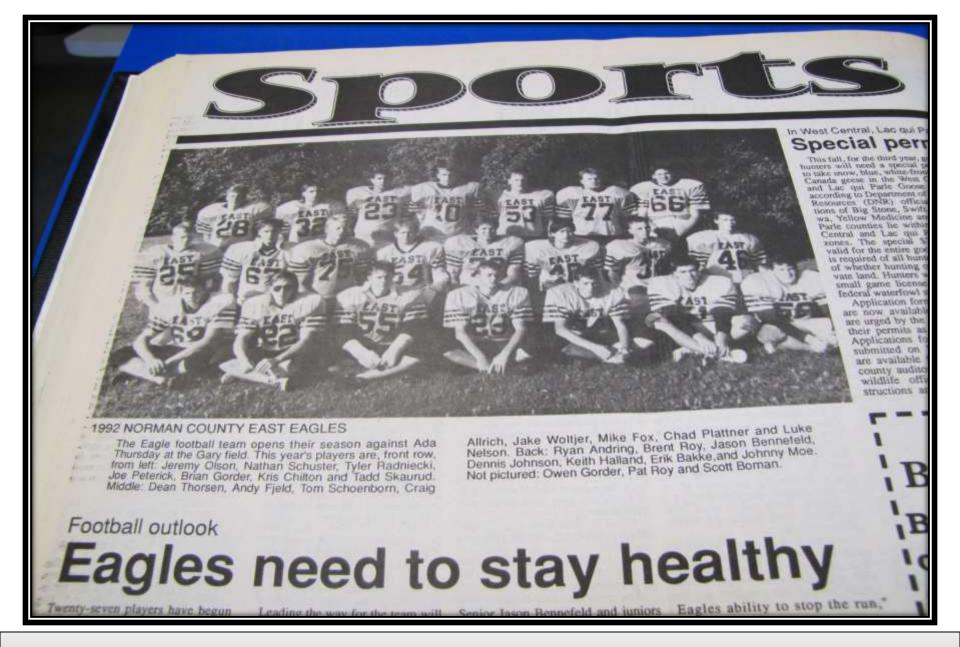


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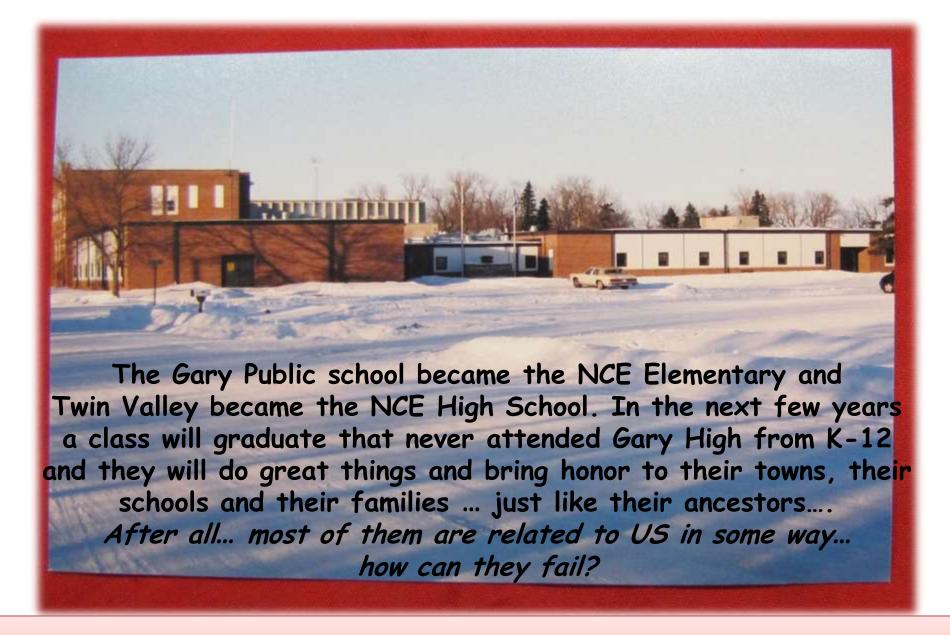
1992 Girls Basketball Team



1992 1st NCE Football Team



1992 Volleyball Team



1992 Gary Public School





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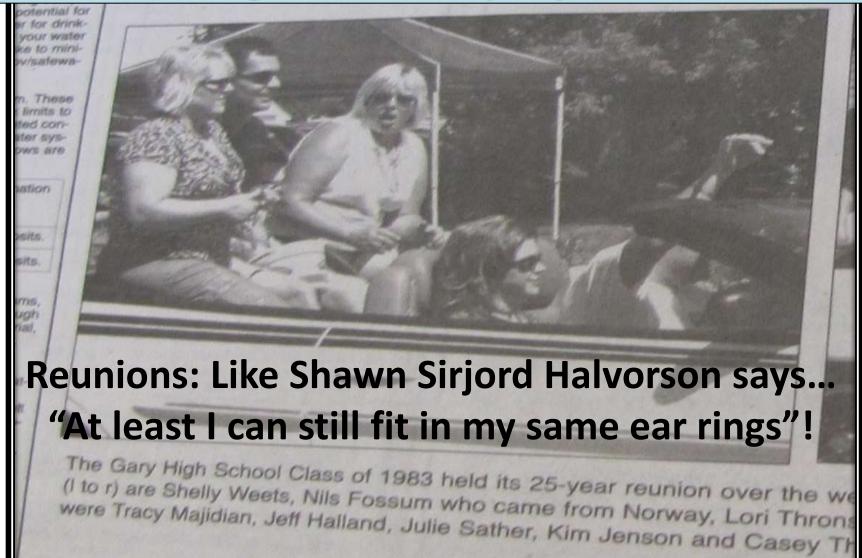
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2000-2001 The Beginning of a New Millennium



Class of 1983 Celebrates 25 Years During the 2000 Gary Days Parade





The Gary Pines have a long and interesting history in Gary. In the late 1930's the state of MN donated 160 acres of land to Gary. It was originally a Sahara Desert out there.

Then they planted and cultivated several varieties of pine trees and by 1942 the area was transformed into a flourishing young forest. But for some reason unexplained, the Gary Pines gradually fell victim to public indifference.

A natural project such as the pines requires constant maintenance to sustain it's vitality.

1971 GHS 8th Grade Class

In 1963, Merlyn Meyer took his 7th & 8th grade boys to the Gary Pines to plant 3000 trees.

Again in 1971
Merlyn took his 8th
grade class out to
plant 1500 Norway
Pines as a part of
the continuing
planting.
(Pictured Right)





May 2008 Last Class to Plant at Gary Pines with Merlyn Meyer



The new millennium began with life as usual in Gary MN. Farmers Farmed, kids went to school... but as usual the citizens of Gary were busy volunteering. You saw the hard efforts of our fireman and rescue volunteers... but there are a couple more volunteer organizations in our town and one is the Gary Community Club.



In this decade the Gary Community club continued "as usual" with it's many events such as Santa Claus Days, a Halloween Carnival, Raising funds for the schools and more but they are most known for GARY DAYS! Gary Days is held every year on the 3rd weekend in June.

It continues to be a success year after year due to the efforts of the Gary Community Club as they serve our community...Volunteers Welcome!

Lion Charter Night "Fantastic" 1981

BY RAYMOND GARDEN

The population in Gary swelled to a near double its normal size Saturday evening, March 14th, the occasion being Charter Night for the newly formed Gary Lions Club. Delegations from Lions Clubs in the area to the tune of about 200 people came to help the Gary Club get off to a good beginning. The largest group came via chartered bus from Grand Forks - East Grand Forks, carrying 35 people with nearby towns in a radius of 50 miles sending delegations.

The formation of the Gary Lions Club was under the sponsorship of the Fertile Lions Club with special recognition to Lion Don Rudow and Lion Larry Erdahl for valued assistance.

The evening commenced with a social hour and followed by an excellent banquet prepared and served by the ladies of the Gary American Legion Auxiliary which was followed by a most interesting program—all events being held in the spacious Gary American Legion Club. Charter night chairman was Lion Berdean Felske.

Speakers consisted of Introduction of

Toastmaster Lion Stanley Habedank, Past District Governor, Twin Valley; Introduction of Speaker District Governor Ralph Rundell, Grygla Lions Club and Guest Speaker Lion Orrin Fixen of Wabasso, Minn.

Following the speaking program came
the presentation of the Charter by
Governor Ralph Rundell, which was
accepted by Gordon Dobberstein, president of the Gary Lions Club. This was
followed by presentation of gifts by Lion
John Anderson, District Extension Representative, as well as gifts given by
Lions Clubs over the entire area—these
were acknowledged with sincere gratitude by Club President Dobberstein.

Lions International is one of the World's Largest Service Clubs with objects to create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world; to promote the principles of good governmental citizenship; to take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community; to unite the clubs in the bonds of friendship and good fellowship and mutual understanding.

Another Volunteer Force in Gary is the Gary Lions club. It got it's start in 1981 with names like Nelson, Dobberstein, Felske, Moen, Thronson, Servine, Engen, Knutson, Meyer, Motteberg, Oakland, Noss, Chisholm, Tilleraas, Ramstad, Koski, Garden, Bishop, Borstad, Hermanson & Nissen to name a few.

Charter night at Gary





LT GOV RALPH RUNDELL

ACCEPTING GIFTS FROM AREA CLUBS

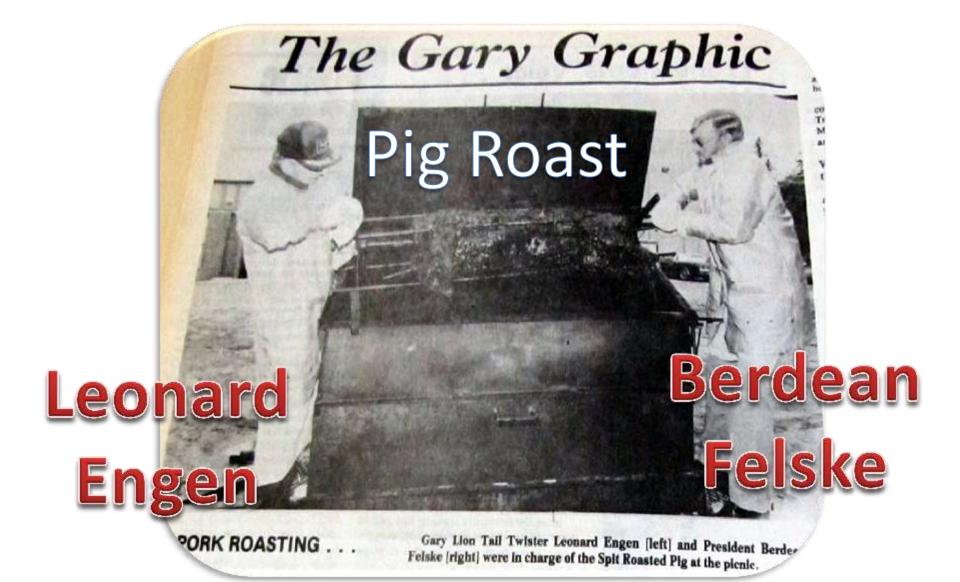
CHARTER PRESIDENT GORDON DOBBERSTEIN



GARY LIONS OFFICERS

Gary Lions officers for the coming year installed at the annual picnic were left to right: Back row—Merlyn Meyer, Gordon Dobberstein, Duane Tilleraas, Wallace Nelson, Mel-

vin Servine, Lowell Moen, and Sanford Moen; front row—Martin Nissen, Ordale Thronson, Berdean Felske, Gordon Nelson, Leonard Engen.



1982 Lions Pig Roast Leonard Engen & Berdean Felske



"We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future."

-Franklin Delano Roosevelt-



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