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Arrest warrant for all Wayzata Historical Society members

by Nerval Gramshotner, contributing editor

I had occasion to visit our photo archives at the Depot. I was saddened and depressed. Mind you the Archives Committee has done a masterful job of organizing all the photos into binders but...the problem is, there are so few photos! There are hundreds and hundreds of you readers of this newsletter. In your collective basements, bedrooms and libraries are tons of photos we need. Your **Get-out-of-jail-card** is to share them with us. We can scan them so you can keep the originals or you can donate the originals. We are after shots of then-and-now happenings around the town: buildings, civic events, store fronts, merchants, group people shots-you know, community subjects. We also want family shots. Make sure you identify the human faces on the backs. Hey, thanks.

PS: We need you to donate a copy of the 1934 and 1978 Wayako year books

Super comedian Bob Hope (dead at 100, August 2003) and former WCCO radio personality Cedric Adams clown with Wayzata's Mayor Arnold Vodelgel during Wayzata Days of '49. Photo can be found in Ellen Wilson Meyer's copyrighted book "Happenings Around Wayzata" page 106



Confirmation Class 1946, Wayzata Congregational Church

photo from Cynthia Oare Dewes

Historical group photos continue to interest readers of the Telegraph. As the memory fades certain young faces go unidentified 40 or 50 years later. If you recognize a face (be it yours or a friend) drop us a line by e/snail mail and we'll plug it in to our growing archives. We ask for your help with the lad in the top row

Top row; John Wagman, _____(?), Richard Wilson, Robert Walton, Robert Miller, Lowell Day, John Paul Jones and Richard Peterson.

Middle row; Kenneth Keesling, Lorraine Feser, Arlyn Nelson, Cynthia Oare, Helen Fairfield and David Hill.

Bottom row; Marie Stimler, Julia Groff, Betty Shrewsbury, Rev. Everett Sorenson, Connie Johnson, Marlene Johnson and Carol Hokanson.



Wayzata Historical Society Telegraph

"Preserving Wayzata's past and present for future generations"

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Bernie Feser Klein, program presenter, with family. Mother Grace (L), sister Lorraine and father Mike Feser

October 2nd Program The Feser Family

They were fun loving people dedicated to solid values and good work ethics. They were storytellers with such passion and laughter that was part of family get togethers. (Tony will tell some war stories at the program). Their enthusiasm and humor was a trait that has lived on through the generations. Grandpa Killian Feser always said "What ever you do, do it right."

They were farmers, entrepreneurs in many fields, among them caretakers/gardeners, drapery and upholstery business, construction, plumbing and heating, airline industry, teachers, golf course management and the armed services.

Killian Gotlieb Feser was born January 20, 1865 in the Black Forest region of Bavaria, Germany. He came to the United States with his family members in 1885. The family initially settled in Pennsylvania and moved from there to Delano, Minnesota. Killian's half-brother, Fred, was born in Pennsylvania and was Tony Feser's Father.

Joseph and Elizabeth Rumpza had been married 22 years at the time they left

Przetoczyno, Prussia, now Gdansk, Poland; during that time they had eleven children; six of their children were with them on this two week journey on the Steamer Hammonia. They landed in New York on March 28, 1872.

In 1875 the Family moved to Watertown, Minnesota. A daughter, Bertha Martha, born January 20, 1868 met and married Killian Feser on October 11, 1892. Their children were Edward, Edna, Leo, Maylin (Mike), Donald and Karl. Bertha's Niece, Elizabeth Kohnke of Delano, born August 1883, married Fred Feser in 1890. Their

children were Margaret, Gertrude, Tony, George and Catherine.

The Wayzata area became home to many Fesers; Killian, Bertha and Edna moved from Orono to their new Wayzata home in 1926;

Fred and Elizabeth Feser, Tony, Leo, Mike and their Families also lived in the Wayzata Area. Presently only Tony and David Klein, Grandson of Mike Feser and son of Dick and Bernie Klein, live in Wayzata.

Enjoy the October 2nd Program and, yes

we will laugh. Program presenters are Bernie Feser Klein and Tony Feser.



Killian and Bertha Feser new Wayzata home, 1926. It's still on highway 12, in town just east of the grave yard

Able Seaman Tony Feser (can you spot him?) with WWII comrades and their ship.



**October 2, 2003
Program
Wayzata Families
Thursday 7:00 pm
Meridian Manor**



Can you identify these?

Deanne and Gordy Straka found these pins...can anyone give us the story about them?



The Big Woods is one of Wayzata's historical gems-history we can see with our eyes today.

Photo Donor Winners

Prizes for WHS photo donors went to **Julia Groff Leitzke, Lorna Butterfield, Fritz Weber, Dr. Dave McGill**, and the grand prize (a round trip for two on the steamboat Minnehaha) went to **John Love**. Keep those photos coming in!

Letters to the Telegraph

Dear Wayzata Telegraph:

The 24th edition of the Telegraph about Bobby Jones reminded me that I also [as was Tony Feser] was 17 in the summer of 1930 and watched him [Jones] play at the Interlachen Country Club in the U.S. Open.

The shot I remember was his 2nd shot with a

Shop Now For Holiday Gifts*

Wayzata's Limited Edition Sesquicentennial Year 2004 Calendar

Produced by the Wayzata Historical Society

"Why", you ask "would any sane person buy a calendar when insurance agents give them away free?" and at the end of the year you toss 'em! That's true of ordinary calendars. The Society's calendar is not ordinary. It is an 8 1/2 " x 11", 14-page **Limited Edition*** souvenir calendar with large date squares for notes, reminders and appointments. And most important--fascinating authentic local historical facts and photos throughout-this makes it **collectible.**" Keep it on your coffee table and years from now, you'll be able to remember Wayzata, its people, places and businesses named in the calendar. Hey, it's also a great way to support the work of the Wayzata Historical Society. The **150th Anniversary Souvenir** calendar spans Wayzata history from the city's platting in 1854 to just yesterday with interesting text and photos. Shop now for holiday gifts! It's a *preferred gift* for out-of-town former Wayzatan's or in-town family and friends.

* while supplies last.

Weather Trivia

In what year did Minnesota experience both it coldest, snowiest winter and its hottest summer? (Answer--1936)

Before air-conditioning came along, Wayzata residents made their own "air conditioners" by purchasing a large block of ice, putting it in a pan, and placing a fan behind it!

There was another way in which Wayzatans and residents from Minneapolis

wood on the 9th hole. His drive was on the right side of the fairway before the lake which was about 6 feet lower. The green was on the other side of the lake. Bobby took a wood, I was standing behind him, and I saw him hit the ball hard but low at the hole. The ball kept dropping till it bounced on the water about two thirds of the way across the lake and then skipped several times and finally rolled up the slope of the fairway toward the green.

I ran around the lake on the left side to watch



The *150th Anniversary Souvenir* calendar is available at the following Lake area merchants:

IN DEEPAVEN:

Letter Perfect, 18285 Minnetonka Blvd., Deephaven Court next to Carol Shepard Antiques

IN WAYZATA:

Card Party, 856 E. Lake St., Village Shoppes
Coldwell Banker Burnet Distinctive Homes, 201 E. Lake Street

The Foursome Clothing and Shoes, Wayzata Bay Center

Initially Yours Monogramming, 824 East Lake St., Village Shoppes

Judd Frost Clothiers, 339 Barry Ave. S., across from Five Swans

Lake Business Supply, 217 Minnetonka Ave. S., just north of the Post Office

Wolf's Pharmacy, 310 Wayzata Blvd., next-door to Kentucky Fried

The Society wishes all to know and thank **Keith Waters** of Keith Waters Associates Inc. homes, and **Wells Fargo Bank** Wayzata for their kind contribution to the budget required to produce the 2004 150th Anniversary calendar. At special times of need, special people rise to the challenge. Keith Waters and Wells Fargo are two of those special organizations.

would deal with hot, humid summer nights in the 1930's. In hot, summer evenings, families and individuals would make their way to the grassy area, South of Lake Street-before the railroad tracks near Lake Minnetonka (now the parking lot, West of Sunsets) to sleep all night. The men kept their wallets by their pillows for their was no fear of thieves or other criminals. We just don't know how good we've got it today!

his chip shot, which was good, and eventually he holed out for a birdy four. Then he kept going and won the tournament for his third grand slam.

That is all I remember of the match. I remember Tony Feser as I played Woodhill. I like the Telegraph, thank you for mailing it to us.

Yours very truly,
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Distinguished Wayzata Alumni Award Winners

by Charlie Schoen

The Student Council at Wayzata High honored Harold Van Every, as the 2003 recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award. Harold played football and basketball at the U of M. He led Wayzata High to its first Lake Conference football and basketball championships. He is the only first round draft choice of the National Football League who graduated from a Lake Conference school, and is also the only Wayzata High grad to have played for the U of M basketball team. Harold was a WWII hero who came back to help build Wayzata. He is a member of the Historical Society and was the speaker at our program two years ago.

The Alumni Award has been presented by the School Student Council since 1990. The other recipients are:

1990

Bill Koski '49
Howie Schaber '59
Gordy Engel '65

1991

Marilyn Peterson '49
Bill Bushnell '62

1992

General Ken Leuer '52

1993

Penny Hatcher '66

1994

Frank Larkin '34

1995

Karen Larkin Wolf '57

1996

Dave Koch '48

1997

Bonnie Leuer
Hagelberger '69

1998

Cal Simmons '66

1999

Amy Klobuchar '78

2000

Judy Simpson Corson
'60

2002

Bob Sullivan '58

Distinguished Wayzata Alumni Award Winner Mug Shots

We take evil pleasure presenting you with the senior graduating photos of the Distinguished Alumni Award Winners. Your task has two challenges. One, identify all these folks-match the number with Alumni names (caution-you will have more names than numbers) And two, send us

amusing stories to humble these folks. We've built them up with this coverage; you bring them back down with the seamy human side. Send your answers and smutty* stories to our address.

* Hey, keep the taste level up there!



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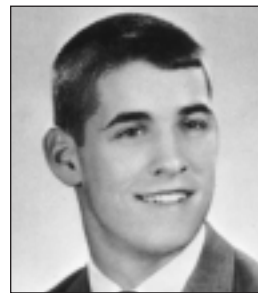
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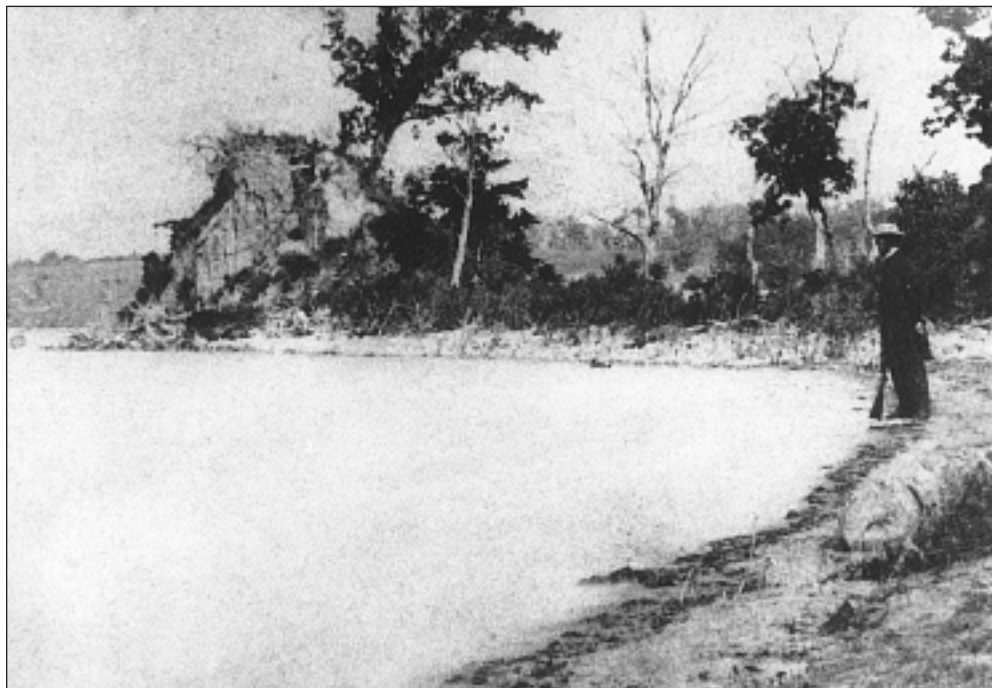
Part One – Spirit Knob

*Story stolen by Philip Little IV. This story was loosely comprised from articles in the Minnetonka Herald, August 12, 1954, the year the town celebrated its first 100 years. Several terms have been replaced with ones more politically correct today. * Replaced words follow this article.*

Spirit Knob is connected with more Lake Minnetonka lore than perhaps any other site on its 112 miles of shore line. Early photos display a spindly point of land guarding the port side of the passage to the big lake when

crowded little mound!-Ed]

In that same year an Eastern writer, Mrs. Elizabeth Fries Ellet appears on the scene. She pens a book 'Summer Rambles in the West'. In it she "discovered" Lake Minnetonka and maintains the point is a sacred ceremonial ground. Not wasting her time on the visit, she proclaims a name for the point. She calls it 'Wakan', which is means 'spiritual' or 'super natural'. Elizabeth probably picked up this Dakota word directly or indirectly from the natives who may have referred to the point is this reverential way. She was based out of the Windsor house in Minneapolis and made her way to the lake



Close up of Spirit Knob shows that, in fact, it was about 50 high. Residents of the area today are not similarly armed and there are no roving patrols.

viewed from the Wayzata shore. At its very point, a cone shaped bluff jugged about 50 feet above the water. Atop it perched a lone Cedar. (Old photos depict a barren landscape, a result of aggressive logging by whites to sell to Minneapolis building contractors.)

Many tales have filtered down the years to a point where they all seem fluffy fodder of imaginative story tellers. One tale says the point was a bloody sacrificial ground. Another, a sacred burial ground. A third, hallowed ground for worship. And the fourth and most common, a suicide leap for native* maidens disappointed in love. [Fanciful poppy-cock! From what I have learned, the true story is at the end of this article-Ed.]

Hezekiah Brake in his book, "On Two Continents," tells of a trip to Minnetonka in 1852, (two years prior to the official settlement of Wayzata) and describes the point as a burying ground held in great reverence by the local natives* [Pretty

on the hard seat of a wagon over half cleared trails and through dense woods. After exploring the lakes she obtains a boat, floats out into the water, chants from some poems and christens two bodies of water...one, Lake Bryan (Wayzata Bay) and the other Lake Browning (Gray's Bay). None of the settlers gave a hoot about her new lake names and the new 'Wakan' (or Wakon) point name. Everybody forgets about Elizabeth and continue to use the terms 'Wayzata Bay', 'Gray's Bay' and "Breezy Point.

Now its 1875ish. The point is owned by S.C. Gale. Gale sells the property to six Minneapolis bachelor businessmen. They form a leisure hot spot for the gay* and fashionable folk and name it the Breezy Point Club. A clubhouse and several buildings provided quarters for the six partners. The sight was used for fishing, swimming, sailing, resting and socializing. This group is credited with removing the



famous mound because high water and erosion had undercut its base and they thought it to be a hazard and safety concern.

The club was disbanded in 1900 when the W.B. Washburn* family bought the point and property. The club house was loosed from its moorings and moved across the ice to Robinsons Bay where it became a summer house for George Eustis, a Minneapolis jeweler and one of the six Breezy Point Club members. In 1920 Eustis sold the property and house to C. S. Carter who, in 1934 remodeled and added on to make it a home. More recently Ray Mithun Jr. tore down the Carter home to build his, then, new home. The Washburns built a show place year-round estate with two story detached garage on the property.

About 1945 the point property was purchased by Charles F. Haglin, son and later president of a prominent Minneapolis construction firm, C.F Haglin and Sons. Haglin tore down the Washburn house and replaced it with a red brick country home.



50 quicentennial

After workaholic Haglin terminally tipped over from a heart attack* (in spite of doctors warnings) his English wife Isabelle sold the house to Grady Clark, (president of IDS). She then tore down the old Washburn garage and built herself a home five feet from the water. Try presenting that variance to a planning commission today!

All of Lake Minnetonka was sacred Dakota territory. Wakan (Wakon, Spirit Knob, Breezy Point) was the most sacred (probably because of its unique formation). Wakan is where the Dakota worshipped their god Manitou and where braves would bring scalps, taken in battle, to be blessed or smoked. [This is practical-an unpreserved scalp on your lodge pole might become offensive to your neighbors-Ed]. We thank Jim Wyer and Charlie Schoen for using their memories to make this a more accurate story.

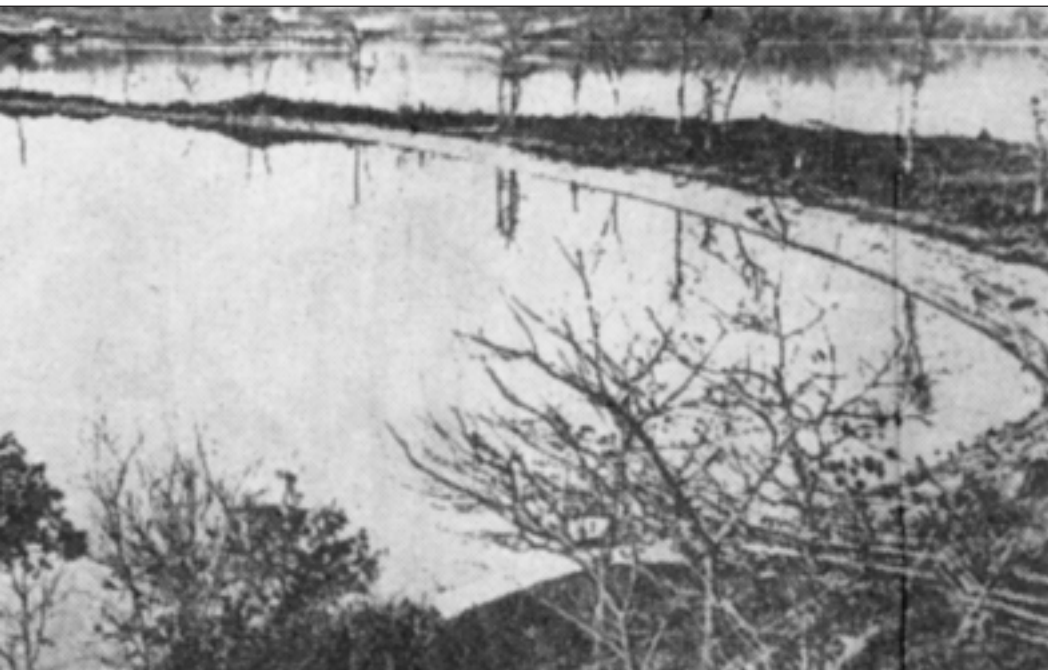
*-End part one of the
Wayzata Sesquicentennial series-*



This poor close up photo shows the severe undercutting of the knob. If it hadn't been leveled by man, nature would have done it in time. Had the point not been logged there would been no erosion and the knob would still be there today.

* PC deleted terms

1. Indians, a term used by navigationally challenged white explorers.
2. Redskin, yep the "Herald" actually used the term. Native Americans exposed to the sun did not turn red! They were not even mildly liberal.
3. Sioux-a derogatory term used by the Chippewa (Ojibway) when referring to the Dakota. The term equates to 'snake' as in snake in the grass.
4. Gay as in debonair.
5. Don't be offended by the author, he was my grandfather.
6. A member of the family that in 1880 formed the Washburn Crosby Co which later became General Mills. The firm acquired a license to operate one of Minnesota's first radio stations and they used their initials in the call sign-WCCO!



This circa 1885 photograph of the point shows the aftermath of thorough logging.

Get involved in your Wayzata Historical Society

As Wayzata moves toward it's sesquicentennial year (150 years) help us research Wayzata's colorful history, preserve it and pass it on to future citizens. Our Society is only as good as the people who can volunteer some time. Call to work with one of these groups.

- ☐ Newsletter committee
- ☐ Archives committee
- ☐ Special events committee
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- ☐ Educational outreach

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President's Column

by Merrily Borg Babcock



It's that time of year again. A change in the Board of Directors. Some retirees to commend and new people to welcome. **Eunice Golfis, Mary Ellen Gee and Lynes Getten** are to be thanked for their years of dedicated service. Mary Ellen for her superior organizational skills is now volunteering at the new library...and what would we have done without Lynes, who is responsible for producing all of the video tapes of our early programs prior to Community TV filming...and Eunice has signed on to help in the Archives area.

But, I will keep this short and say, after these retirements, our nominating committee doggedly pursued our list of members and came up with a sterling list of interested workers. I had given them the challenge of a few new job description (as our board was weak in a few areas) and we found some great folks who were up to the challenge. **Dorothy Welch**, a life time member, has offered to create an Educational Outreach program about history in this area. She is loaded with ideas and we look forward to working with her. **Sue Batson Sorrentino**, who is always available to help when asked, has stepped up to be the Volunteer Coordinator-a task that needs special attention these days. And finally we have not frightened off **Terry Middlekauff**, who has worked with us the last couple of years as one of "our train guys". Terry will take a board position in charge of Merchandise, so look out, this guy has some interesting items coming up. I would also like to say that **Julie Schaeffer** has signed on to do our Publicity, one of her top skills, and **Tom Koski** was nominated as Vice President. With the other superior board members, this is a dynamite team moving into the 150 Anniversary Celebration.

OH WOW ROAD SHOW

by Judy Starkey

"Oh, Wow!" Isn't that what visitors to Public Television's Antiques Road Show say when the treasure they have been dusting around for 40 years turns out to be – well, a real treasure? Isn't it exciting when the appraisers say something in the thousands, and you

have been hoping for hundreds? I was working at the check-in desk upstairs at Meridian Manor several

weeks ago for our local "antiques road show." I watched as interesting pieces were carried by the visitors who paused before going downstairs.

I brought in my own contribution, an old music box with a roll in it, which allows it to play seven different tunes when switched. I left it downstairs on the table with the other objects of antiquity. I was a little embarrassed to do so – the mechanisms weren't working well, and after getting it to play, I couldn't get it to stop while driving over in the car. I didn't want it to break out into The Marseillaise in the middle of the program. But it seemed to behaving itself by the time I set it down gingerly and went back to my assigned job. By luck of timing I went downstairs to check on things just as the appraisers, **James Marrinan** and **Bonnie Lindberg**, picked it up. Mr. Marrinan suggested that my box needed cleaning and some adjustments, but after that mild scolding, he said it was a wonderful piece, probably from early in the century, maybe from Germany or England – and then he gave a price range that made me say, "Oh wow!" What a kick!



Since I didn't hear the other appraisals, I asked **Rosie MacLachlan** for her impressions of the program. She thought it was very well done, people liked it, the appraisers added interesting facts, and all we needed were more contributors to the

program. There were some beautiful silver pieces, including some heirloom silver flatware brought by one lady. She was so excited she went home for more. Her

impressions were the same as Rosie's – well done and very worthwhile. Suggestions for next time – and there will be a next time – more publicity, hold the show in a cooler month, and consider valet parking, which would encourage larger pieces.

New and Renewing WHS members

May/June/July 2003

Jack Baasen
Brian Bedell
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John C. Brooks
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Frank Larkin
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Sally Stodola Schoettgen
Donald F. Swanson
Duane Vernon
Helen and J. Kimball Whitney

The History of Wayzata – the Book, reserve yours now

We will be selling the updated 150 year history of Wayzata this fall. It will be over 64 pages – illustrations and photos. Republishing this book has been a monumental task. Each of the five new decades since 1954 has required 40 to 60 hours of time. This work is being done by Charles Schoen. Call us now to reserve copies for yourself and for your tardy Christmas gift list-we'll send you a gift card upon request. The book will be available in February. The price will be affordable.



This is a photo of the 50 year old 1854-1954 Centennial edition



Correction to the Bobby Jones story

Jack Nicklaus shot an incredible round at the **Woodhill Country Club** not the Wayzata Country Club. The article may have conveyed the impression that Woodhill course record holder, **Jimmy Johnston** called an amateur golfer was, in fact, a pro.

Wayzata History

by Jane Shanard



Ebby Burke's Here and There Around Town a la 1954

Another wonderful **Egon Andersen** story - his name, he says, is perpetually misspelled. He says as Egon it is a good Danish name and by misspelling it as Egan, it is a fine upstanding name from the Emerald isle. Oh yes, and his last name is often misspelled "son," making him a Swede when it is a fourth generation Dane.

Linman's Wayzata Sheet Metal Works offered a gas range for \$199.50 and partnered with the American Legion to offer a gas cooking school at Wayzata High School. It promised to make cooking easy and your kitchen bright!

Ed Patch of Wayzata caught a northern pike worth \$775 a pound when his 2 pound, 10 ounce fish was judged the largest in the Mound Chamber's fishing contest. His prize - a 1954 Chevrolet worth about \$2,000!

The Hub in Navarre advertised Renaissance glamour in some wedgies and flats for \$2.98 a pair. [Forty nine years later women are still wearing similar shoes! -Ed.]

The world renowned **Isaac Stern** played his 250 year old violin for a concert at the Minnetonka High School for member of the Civic Music Association of Lake Minnetonka.

Deer sightings were very common around **Cargill** on McGinty Road. **Charlotte**

Chope, Minnetonka township clerk, counted 13 watching her get the mail. **Roy McGinty**, caretaker at Cargill, born on the McGinty family potato farm where Cargill is now located, says deer have been roaming up and down the road for years. Roy came along before the road was named McGinty Road after his father. [Some things never change...the deer still own the road! -Ed.]

Tyler's Laundromat boasts a new device that can press a shirt in under two minutes. The new Unipress equipment enables the shirt presser to do about 200 shirts day! Jessie Tyler used to iron shirts by hand. One employee did nothing but iron shirts and still could not keep up. The report is that it is really four machines in one!

Newell Weed of Wayzata was elected outstanding young man by the Jaycees.

The Moonlighter starring **Fred MacMurray** and **Barbara Stanwyck** played at the Wayzata Theater,

Catsup was 23 cents at **Kogan's** in Long Lake. **Lundblad's Humpty Dumpty** at 101 and 12 advertised four rolls of Charmin tissue for 35 cents; Campbell Soup at 2 cans for a quarter; 10 pounds of Gold Medal Flour for 95 cents and a one pound package of premium crackers for 27 cents.

Minnetonka Furniture offered terms as low as \$5 a month and all wool carpet for \$8.80/square yard. Wonder if that included labor to lay it. Lamps were \$6.95; Hide A Beds, \$199; freezers, \$329.00 and refrigerators, \$299.

[And finally, my favorite, maybe because I am old enough to remember! -Ed.] It's Here...The First in Wayzata...The New WASHMOBILE Sprays, rinses, shampoos, fast and efficient. The 15 minute fast car wash...NO BRUSHES. Complete one stop service at **Minnetonka Oil Company**. [If it took 15 minutes today, we would probably all have dirty vehicles! -Ed.]

DeMeres on their yacht cruising the Caribbean. All are veteran sailors. Both the Pillsburys and the Searles crewed in several races from Florida to Cuba. The DeMeres live in San Mateo, CA but Mrs. DeMere is the former **Adelaide Ward**, daughter of the late **Harold R. Ward** of Woodend Farm, Zumbra Heights, and a sister of **Mrs. Francis Knoblauch** and **Harold R. Ward, Jr.**, both formerly of Wayzata.

Trip to India: **Mr. and Mrs. John S. Dalrymple** and **Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jones** are planning a two months' trip to India via a Mediterranean Cruise. From the ship, they will take flying trips to India, where they will spend 10 days, to the Gulf of Aden, Egypt and to other countries.



Archives Committee Report

by Kathie Doerr, Chair-
kadedoe@earthlink.net

Terry Middlekauff demonstrated our new station master's phone system, telegraph system and selective station ringers in a handsome box made by **John Liebens**. Terry has arranged for the 1905 architectural drawings of the Depot to be sold to model makers. We received a surprise donation of books, yacht flags and model boats from **Linda and Richard Stewart**, Minnetonka. Our Web site should be up and running by the time you read these words. We will approach the school system about creating a community service program to help us do computer archiving.

The numbers of Depot visitors continues to run ahead of last year. Terry Middlekauff has had 1500 visitors to the Depot, as of 6/17/03. Weekend attendance continues at about 200 every weekend. Donations from visitors are rare, but we have received \$120 in merchandise sales. Terry proposed that the small maps of Lake Minnetonka be given for each dollar donation to increase income and the idea worked. Terry is working on opening the ticket window, so children can purchase a copy of a real passenger tickets. **Mary Ellen Gee** and **Christine Meyer** have given notice to end their service with the committee. We congratulated them on organizing our archives from nothing to a workable system. They will be happy to train new members and answer questions as they arise. We need new members to help carry on their work. **Al Orson** is credited with securing us space in the new library.

The committee has a wish list for the Depot. Can you donate...1. A TV VCR in working order. 2. Someone to transfer videos of WHS meetings and speakers to DVD for public display. 3. More volunteers for this committee.

Along the North Shore with Evelyn Burke

Phone Beach 356-J



A shortened combination of columns from early 1954 with some editing by Jane Shanard

Sailing, Sailing: The **George S. Pillsburys**, Brackett's Point, and the **Robert Searles**, Wayzata, are guests of the **Raymond**

Double Duty!: The **Walter Ringers, Jr.**, Minnetonka Beach, have taken on a double job for St.-Martin's-by-the Lake, Minnetonka Beach. Mr. Ringer was elected warden at the annual meeting Sunday night in the undercroft of the church and Mrs. Ringer, who found the ring in her piece of Epiphany cake, automatically took on the cook's chore for the next year. The finder of the ring must bake the cake for the next year. **Mrs. Ralph Ford** supplied the cake for this year's dinner. Other members of the Bishop's committee elected at the annual meeting were **A.C. Fellows**, Long Lake, treasurer; **John H. Burch**, Carman's Bay, secretary, and **Fritz Klass**, Minnetonka Beach, **Sever Enevold**, Navarre, and **Byron James**, Orono, vestrymen.