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Aitkin County Flood Debris Clean Up Operation
Contractor: Buetow Trucking and Excavating LLC.
July 30th- Aug 2nd 2012

<u>Equipment</u> <u>/Labor</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Total</u>
Excavators	43.5 Hours	\$135.00	\$5872.50
Skidsteer(2)	68 Hours	\$90.00	\$6120.00
Dump Trucks	43.5 Hours	\$85.00	\$3915.00
Utility Trucks	2 Trucks	\$75.00/day	\$600.00
Utility Truck with DumpTrailer	11.5 Hours	\$40.00	\$460.00
Supervisors	49 Hours	\$65.00	\$3185.00
Labor	239 Hours	\$42.00	\$10,038.00
Total Amount:			\$30,190.00

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Excavators	43.5 Hours	\$135.00	\$5872.50
Skidsteer	87 Hours	\$90.00	\$7830.00
Dump Trucks	86 Hours	\$85.00	\$7310.00
Utility Trucks	2 Trucks	\$75.00/day	\$825.00
Supervisors	46.5 Hours	\$65.00	\$3022.50
Labor	261 Hours	\$42.00	\$10962.00
Total Amount:			\$35822.00

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2011 FAIRGROUNDS MAJOR EXPENSES

FACILITY PROJECTS IN 2011

STONE HOUSE ROOF – 1937 WPA PROJECT	\$ 3,300
CATTLE BARN ROOF – BUILT IN 1932	\$ 2,600
HORTICULTURE BUILDING ROOF	\$ 4,900
GRANDSTAND SOUND SYSTEM	\$ 3,500
TREE TRIMMING	<u>\$ 3,300</u>
TOTAL	\$17,600

There are 28 structures on the fair grounds.

MAJOR ANNUAL EXPENSES

UTILITIES (electric, water, sewer)	\$ 3,300
MOWING	\$ 4,000
PREMIUMS, open class and 4-H	\$ 7,800
JUDGING FEES/COSTS, open class and 4-H	\$ 3,500

NEW ITEMS FOR THE 2012 FAIR

AG EDUCATION CENTER

LEGACY GRANT FUNDING-County Fair Arts Access and Cultural Heritage

- The Woodpicks, blue grass music
- Kira's Caricatures
- Squeak the Clown

BAND-Saturday night

TEEN BAND

OTHER ITEM

FOOD BOOTH LICENSURE

SHEEP 24x70

Material	\$4,271.00
Prep and Floor	\$2,100.00
Tear down and Build	\$4,000.00
Pens, lights	\$2,500.00
Permit	\$ 400.00
Prints	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
	\$14,771.00

SHOW ARENA – 32x100

Materials	\$ 8,485.00
Base	\$ 3,250.00
Gates, Light, Misc.	\$ 1,000.00
Tear down and Build	\$ 4,500.00
Permit	\$ 500.00
Prints	<u>\$ 1,500.00</u>
	\$19,235.00

HORSE BARN

Shell – 60x150	
Material and Labor	\$68,300.00
Sheating – ¾ plywood (88 sheets)	
Labor and 2x6	\$ 5,200.00
Base and Floor	\$17,500.00
Water	\$ 500.00
Electrical – Fans, lights and outlets	\$13,200.00
Misc.	\$ 2,500.00
Permit	\$ 500.00
Stalls (36)	\$36,000.00
Prints – per building	<u>\$ 1,500.00</u>
	\$145,200.00
TOTAL PROJECTS	\$179,206.00

Horse Barn Funds

Last balance from Kirk: 12,500.00

Candy Bar Sales 975.00 - at 4-H office, held

MN Horse Council Grant 4,500.00 - Held until building

Young Riders donation 1,800.00 - Held

Young Riders donation 680.00- Held

Farm Bureau Donation 1,000.00 - Held

Total funds as of 5-1-12 21,455.00

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SCOTT A. TURNER
SHERIFF OF AITKIN COUNTY

217 Second Street NW, Room 185
Aitkin, MN 56431

218-927-7435 Emergency 911
Sheriff Fax 218-927-7359 / Dispatch Fax 218-927-6887
TOLL FREE 1-888-900-2138

August 7, 2012

Flood Update

Cleanup efforts are under way around Big Sandy and other homes in Aitkin County. The curbside pickup of flood-related debris is scheduled to end this Friday, August 10th. A public seminar on mold with an expert from the Minnesota Department of Health will be held on Saturday, August 18th at 10:00 a.m. at the Grace Lutheran Church.

The no-wake zones established due to the flooding conditions have all expired.

Aitkin County residents can arrange for free curbside pickup for flood-related non-commercial debris. To arrange for a pick-up, please call Tim Homstad, the Flood Debris Removal Coordinator. He can be reached at: **218-380-0355 or 218-927-7266** from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. to answer questions about debris removal or schedule a pickup. This service is scheduled to end on Friday, August 10, 2012.

For more information of flood-related debris please go to the Aitkin County website at www.co.aitkin.mn.us

If you need help with your cleanup efforts or if you are willing to volunteer to help with cleanup efforts, please contact the Aitkin County CARE office at 218-927-1383.

Emergency supplies (food, water and cleaning supplies) are available at the Aitkin County Sheriff's Office and Grace Lutheran Church (Big Sandy). The drop-in center at **Grace Lutheran Church** will be open daily until August 10th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. After that time, supplies will be available by appointment by calling 218-839-0037. Supplies will continue to be available at the Aitkin County Sheriff's Office through the month of August.

Property owners with flood damaged buildings in Aitkin County are encouraged to contact the Aitkin County Assessor's Office at 218-927-7327 for the purposes of property tax relief.

If you are in need of any services (food, water, shelter) or if you know anyone who is in need of those services, please call the **Aitkin County Sheriff's Office at 888-900-2138 or 927-7400**. For flood related information and links to additional information go to the Aitkin County website at: www.co.aitkin.mn.us/

The denial by FEMA for a disaster declaration for individual assistance (IA) is under appeal by Governor Dayton. We are still awaiting the results of that appeal. If that request for IA is granted then Small Business Administration (SBA) programs will be provided. If the appeal is denied then the state will request that SBA provide loan assistance to eligible counties.

Patrick Wussow

From: Terry Neff [tneff@co.aitkin.mn.us]
Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2012 9:35 AM
To: 'Kroening, Heidi (MPCA)'
Cc: Patrick Wussow; Scott Turner
Subject: FW: Temporary Transfer Station

Heidi,

We have further evaluated the amount of material and number of sites still needing debris removal and are requesting to extend the closing date of the temporary transfer station at the Shamrock Township Hall location to August 10, 2012. This date will coincide with the ending of the free curbside pick-up in the Big Sandy Lake area. Everything in the original request will remain the same. Let me know if there is anything else you need from me.

Thanks!

Terry Neff
Environmental Services Director

From: Kroening, Heidi (MPCA) [<mailto:heidi.kroening@state.mn.us>]
Sent: Friday, July 27, 2012 11:26 AM
To: Terry Neff
Cc: Patrick Wussow; Scott Turner
Subject: RE: Temporary Transfer Station

Terry...I approve the original set up and extension of your temporary transfer station. Please keep this approval for your records and for when you have to fill out the application for FEMA reimbursement...

From: Terry Neff [<mailto:tneff@co.aitkin.mn.us>]
Sent: Friday, July 27, 2012 7:49 AM
To: Kroening, Heidi (MPCA)
Cc: Patrick Wussow; Scott Turner
Subject: FW: Temporary Transfer Station

Heidi,

Below is the original request to establish a temporary transfer station at the Shamrock Township Hall. The closing date of the transfer station was July 27, 2012. After evaluating the amount of debris remaining around the lake we are requesting to extend the closing date to August 3, 2012. Everything else with our original request will remain the same. Thanks for all your help!

Terry

From: Terry Neff [<mailto:tneff@co.aitkin.mn.us>]
Sent: Thursday, July 19, 2012 11:48 AM
To: 'Kroening, Heidi (MPCA)'
Cc: Patrick Wussow (patrick.wussow@co.aitkin.mn.us); Scott Turner (turners@co.aitkin.mn.us)
Subject: Temporary Transfer Station

Heidi,

Per our conversation this morning, I am requesting to establish a temporary transfer station at the Shamrock Township Hall 49954 Lake Ave, McGregor, MN. This site will begin collecting flood related debris on July 20, 2012. Days and Hours of operation will be Monday thru Saturday 8:00am to 5:00pm. We will evaluate on Friday July 27, 2012, whether we need to continue collecting debris at this site.

There will be 4 roll-off boxes for self haulers to sort the materials for disposal (large appliances, household hazardous waste, demolition and solid waste, food waste) . An area will be used as a dump site for the curbside collection vehicles – this material will be sorted at the end of each day and placed into roll-off boxes. The material from this site, other than the HHW, will be hauled to the Shamrock Landfill in Cloquet, MN.

Let me know if you need anything else?

Thanks for all your assistance!

Terry Neff
Environmental Services Director

August 6, 2012

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Aitkin County Commissioners
Attn: Mr. Kirk Peysar, County Auditor
209 2nd St. NW.
Aitkin, MN 56431

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Dear Mr. Peysar & County Commissioners:

It is my understanding that you have received an application accompanied by a petition from the Lake Minnewawa Association (LMA) for the creation of a Lake Minnewawa Improvement District (L.I.D.). Since the LMA's petition signing initiative from this past Memorial Day weekend, we, the Shoreline Lake Minnewawa (S.La.M.) Owners against the LID, have generated an opposing petition. Our opposition is based on numerous issues, mostly related to its organization (conflict of interest by proposed LID Board members), poor planning and the lack of vision for the future of our lake. Our attached petition relates to MN Statute 103B.521 "Initiation by Petition and establishment by county board" and MN Statute 103B.545 "Referendum on establishment". We are requesting that the County Board not support the establishment of a LID at this time and, if otherwise, that **a voter referendum per 103B.545 be held before establishing a LID**. The attached petition exceeds the required 26% (141 count) of S.La.M. owners' signatures necessary for a voter referendum per statute.

I would also bring to your attention that many of the LMA original petition signers have since switched their support to our position against the LID. The LMA's petition posted on the county's website also lists another 40 signatures against the establishment of the LID that I hope will be considered in your deliberations.

I have also submitted a copy of the petition and this letter to the County Administrator. I am very much available and would like to speak to the Commissioners and answer your questions as to the specifics of our opposition at the Aug. 8, 2012 Board Meeting. I will be in attendance.

Please contact me at 218-330-6285 (cell) or 218-426-5260 (home) should there be a change in the Aug. 8th agenda or you desire additional information.

Sincerely,



James Bradley
Aitkin Co. Resident &
S.La.M. Owner

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S.La.M. (Shoreline Lake Minnewawa) OWNERS AGAINST THE L.I.D. (Lake Improvement District)

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	Lk. Shore Owner Signature (required info.)	Lk. Shore Address (required info.)	Tele.#	Can you help SLaM w/ your time (Y or N)
1	Ronald J. Johnson	19391 484 th ST	426 3801	
2	David M. Chesney	19359 484 ST	651 7383202	
3	Jim Wittmann	19345 484 ST	952-881-7620	
4	Bill Ball	19327 484 ST	662-210-8248	
5	John R. Johnson	48441 192 th AVE	651-214-4377	
6	Carol Hoffstedt	47293 188 th ST	952-210-6568	
7	Jean M. Lovel	48321 188 th ST	651-777-9280	
8	Susan Stone	48443 181 AVE	762-353-2747	
9	Arthur Johnson	19093 484 th ST.	218-426-3821	
10	James Johnson	29-0-055904	426-3074	
11	Brit Anderson	19356 486 th ST	762-242-5197	
12	Arnold Quake	18782 483 rd ST.	507-663-7844	
13	Arnold Quake	18756 483 rd ST.	507-663-7844	
14	Arnold Quake Kirk Paul	29-1-261000	507-663-7844	
15	Terry Wagner	47795 188 th AVE	952-461-2215	
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1	<i>Tom Nelson</i>	<i>47353 209th PLACE</i>	<i>612-839-3616</i>	
2	<i>Henriette Nelson</i>	<i>47304 209th Place (#29-1-4722 00)</i>		
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✓ Richard Bennett	47310 - 209th Place	426-3791	
✓ John Wood	47409 - 209th Place	426-5066	
✓ Candace Bartel	47385 209th Place	426-4580	
4 Charles Krundt	18708 483rd St	426-5208	
5 John Wood	19806 472nd St	763-486-9919	
6 John Wood	18590 483rd (R29-1-206000)	715-579-5659	
7 Mary Grady	18597-488th Lane	218-426-4696	
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1 Nancy Kargaball	18089 490 St Mark	218 426 4161	Print Name
2 John DeMaster	19982 472nd St McGreg	218 268 3483	Nancy Kargaball
3 John DeMaster	# 290046916	218 426-4320	John DeMaster
4 John DeMaster	47139 201st Pl N	612-409-8741	John DeMaster
5 Lawrence Johnson	19852-472nd St (Life Estate)	218-426-7531	Tim Bladt
6 Amy Margula	18083 490th St	218-232-0305	LARRY GRIVNA
7 Sandy J Danmeier	18177-490 St.	218 426-4626	Bob Margula
8 Sandy Danmeier	18127-490 St. (Memory)		Sandy Danmeier
9 Gary Danmeier	18199 490th St TREE McGregor		GARY DANMEIER
10 Pam Clifton	18674 488th Lane, McGregor	651-797-3100	GARY DANMEIER
11 Leslie Lehner	18679 488th Lane McGregor	218 426 0035	PAM CLIFTON
12 Scott Fister	18669 488th Lane McGregor	218-426-0331	Leslie Lehner
13 James A Sparks	48912 185th PLACE McGREGOR MN	612-655-1407	SCOTT FISTER
14 Dolores Jensen	20567-485th St ✓ ✓	651-778-8478	JAMES A. SPARKS
15 Richard D/116	20545-485 1st	952-212-1646	Dolores Jensen
16 Randy Sveringson	20537 485th St	763-755-6566	Richard D/116
17 Brad Bourgeois	485th St	651-991-2514	Randy Sveringson
18 Becky Longabaugh	20465 485th St #2	763-561-5872	Brad Bourgeois
19 Greg Stowe	20257 485th St	763-421-5161	Becky LONGABAUGH
20 Doreen Pelkey	20291-485th St	763-434-3790	Greg Stowe
			Doreen Pelkey

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✓ 1 LeRoy Bauer	18772 483 RD ST.	507-364-5534	Y
✓ 2 Donald B. Stoyen	48395 - 188 ^{ave}	763-234-1448	N
3 Bonnie L. Ulrich	48421 197 th Ave.	218-426-3221	N
4 Bill Dufel	48376 188 th AV	218-310-7851	N
5 John Chesnut	19214 486 th ST	218-426-5132	N
6 J. Kubli	18372 483 RD ST	218-391-9300	Y
7 Candy Burkley	48307 188 th Ave #791142806	218-624-2448	Y
8 Maria Sorenson	47821-188 th Ave	218-426-3935	N
9 Karen Wilson	20102 Goshawk	320-272-4312	N
10 Rick Eld	20080 472 nd LANE	218-426-3237	
11 Paul Campbell	19340 496 th St	218-426-4404	N
12 Dan L. Olson	48479 197 th Ave	218-426-3066	N
13 Marolyn Mattinson	17959 476 th St	218-426-3997	
14 Carl Benson	48380 188 th Ave	218-426-4617	
15 Lynn Weston	18771 483 rd St.	612-749-0929	Y
16 Steve Lantieri	48498 - 190 th PLACE	218-773-5525	N
17 Janne C. Lastawich	48497- 190 th PLACE	218-426-3431	N
18 Howard B. Thi	48489 190 th PLACE	218-426-3623	N
19 Shelley & Duos	48474 190 th PLACE	952-404-3858	Home N
20 Ron STURGEON	18786 483 St.	949-939-1601	

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1	Sheila Timmins	19326 486th St. Menager	713-755-8115	Yes
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1	<i>[Signature]</i>	17808 470th	218-426-4713	
2	<i>[Signature]</i>	17852 470th	612-267-3067	
3	<i>Ray Simpson</i>	17888 470th Ln	218 426-3228	
4	<i>Mary Bobb</i>	17954 476th lane	218-426-0216	
5	<i>Cheryl Burstein</i>	18422- 483 Rd St	218-426-3213	
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1	James Bradley	18442 483RD ST.	426-5260	Y
2	Bob [unclear]	18478 483rd St.	-	
3	John [unclear]	48302 188 th AVE	426-3266	Y
4	Monty O. [unclear]	48897 191st Place		
5	Jan [unclear]	47377 209 th Place	426-3707	
6	Phillip [unclear]	48130-182 nd AVE		
7	J. [unclear]	18308 483 rd ST.	4263229	
8	Kirk Rudolph	483 rd ST #291207800	320515-0425	
9	FRANK Swider	18558 483 rd McGray MN	(612)209-9559	Y
10	John [unclear]	18676 483	218-4204105	
11	Wally & Sharon Meinh	18664 483 rd St	218-426-0161	
12	Jeff & Sue Ohlund	18074 483rd St	218-426-4262	
13	Tom + Louisa Wolfe	19296 486 th St	426-0394	Y
14	[unclear]	[unclear]	[unclear]	
15	Rob [unclear]	19372 486 St	426-4581	
16	Victoria Summit	48477 19 th AVE	426-3065	
17	Tom NELSON	19551 494 th ST	763-422-0167	
18	John Butch	18224 483 rd St	763-786-6080	
19	Daryl R. Ackerman	18268 483 rd St	763-360-3814	
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1 ✓ Candy August	48475 197th Ln.	651-451-3237	
2 ✓ Pat Brauns	17990 473rd St	218-429-1268	
3 ✓ Pat Brauns	17852 473 St	426-0212	
4 ✓ Eric Miller	45315 185 St	501-487-3083	Needs Research
5 ✓ Eric Miller	48359 185th St.	662-724-5988	"
6 ✓ William A. L...	17874-473rd St, McGregor, MN 55760	218-426-4999	Perhaps
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1 <i>[Signature]</i> (executor)	19911 485 th LN McGregor MN 55760	218426-3154	
2 <i>Barbara D. Hooper</i>	19679 485 th LN McGregor MN 55760	941-350-1425	
3 <i>[Signature]</i>	19585 485 th LN, McGregor MN 55760	402-980-4423	
4 <i>[Signature]</i> Chairman Winnes Point Inc.	19855 485 th LN McGregor, MN 55760	612-599-0470	
5 <i>[Signature]</i>	47932 209 th LN McGregor MN 55760	612-221-9800	
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16-May-12

To: Aitkin Co. Board of Commissioners

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1	HENRIETTA CARLSON	47304 209 th Place	612-521-2667	Henrietta Carlson
2	-	Resign, missing Address	on last form.	
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4	Stanley			
5	Stanley W. West	47409 209 th PLACE	218-426-5066	STANLEY W. West SR
6	Tom Dellich	47353 209 th PLACE	612-839-5616	TOM DELLICH
7	Richard Bierman	47310 209th Place	218-426-3791	Richard Bierman Dup
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1	<i>Timothy Pierce</i>	17716 Coonback St	426-0990	Timothy Pierce
2	<i>Mary Tietz</i>	47129 199th Pl	426-0077	Mary Tietz
3	<i>Melvin J. Kootz</i>	20535 ARD th Ln	426-3652	Melvin J. Kootz
4	<i>Paul Wiltz</i>	47926 209 th Pl	426-4997	Paul Wiltz
5	<i>Anton Marrocks</i>	47111 199TH PL	426-4660	ANTON MARROCKS
6	<i>Richard Traczyk</i>			Richard Traczyk
7	<i>Richard Traczyk</i>			
8	<i>Marian Beattie</i>	48702 187th Pl		MARIAN BEATTIE
9	<i>Katherine Starsha</i>	48721 187th Pl	426-4288	Katherine Starsha
10	<i>Steven Stinar</i>	20563 485 th St.	752-1062	Steven Stinar
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12	<i>Doreen Pelka</i>	<i>20273 485th St.</i>	<i>763-434-3770</i>	<i>Doreen Pelka</i>
2	<i>Jean Vorlicky</i>	<i>20010 472 Lane</i>	<i>426-3754</i>	<i>JEAN VORLICKY</i>
15	<i>Leeten Zebro</i>	<i>20241 485th ST</i>	<i>789-106</i>	<i>Leeten Zebro</i>
14	<i>Wallis Ann Giordano</i>	<i>20215 485th St</i>	<i>763-571-7480</i>	<i>Wallis Ann Giordano</i>
15	<i>Bruce Mattison</i>	<i>2149 East Rose #</i>	<i>291012200</i>	<i>651-245-8996</i>
16	<i>Mark Gliser</i>	<i>20163 485th</i>	<i>(612) 926-2909</i>	<i>MARK GLISER</i>
17	<i>Anthony Mann</i>	<i>20183 485th ST</i>	<i>(218) 926-4979</i>	<i>ANTHONY MANN</i>
8	<i>Marlis Floe</i>	<i>48900 187th Pl</i>	<i>651-788-1343</i>	<i>MARLIS FLOE</i>
9	_____	_____	_____	_____
10	<i>Robert Christensen</i>	<i>19929 485 LANE</i>	<i>218-426-3699</i>	<i>Robert Christensen</i>
11	<i>Margaret Holmgren</i>	<i>19923 485 Lane</i>	<i>218-426-3699</i>	<i>Margaret Holmgren</i>
12	<i>Leo C. Halley</i>	<i>19939 485th LANE</i>	<i>1-715-557-1904</i>	<i>LEO C. HALLEY</i>
13	<i>Samuel W. Baitz</i>	<i>Wild Oak Block 1 Lot 2 & Lot 3 #</i>	<i>291513400</i>	<i>Samuel W Baitz</i>
14	<i>Lee Sattler</i>	<i>19250 485th St</i>		<i>LEE SATTLER</i>
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1	<i>[Signature]</i>	19250 1950 GOSHAWK		
2	<i>[Signature]</i>	19436 469 th ST	507 289-7919	Y
3	<i>[Signature]</i>	47086 198 th Ave		
4	Dennis Hattenberg	47096 198 th Ave		
5	<i>[Signature]</i>	47108 " "		
6	<i>[Signature]</i>	47156 176 AVE		
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1	<i>John J. Jankovich</i>	19420 469th Street	651-206-3768	N
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1 <i>Martine Hadley</i>	19072 484 TH ST M ^C GREGOR	218-426-4251	
2 <i>Russell Davell</i>	DEEDED ACCESS 18785 483 RD ST 29-1-223101	507-663-7844	
3 <i>E.J. Rice</i>	48435 190 TH PL	206 206-755-1570	
4 <i>Elroy A Mueller</i>	13046 R/loopside Ave N	763 428 2446	
5 <i>James Anderson</i>	48390-188 RD	218-426-3215	
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1	[Signature]	18639 185 th Stone Mcgregor MN	952-240-3000	N
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1	Paul & Gail Correll	18101 488 th Lane	612-269-1018
2	Don & Steve Dreher	18489 - 488 th Lane	480-577-3542
3	Ann & Greg Cuyton	18674 - 488 th Lane	651-797-3100
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AITKIN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
DEPOT HIGHLITES NEWSLETTER
FALL 2012 - Volume 17, Issue 3

We had an opportunity to buy the Armory next to the Depot. However, it just was not meant to be, with a \$355,000.00 price tag and an additional \$25,000.00 a year for upkeep. The additional space could have been used to display more of our Aitkin history, develop a research center and have our office in one location. The costs just did not make sense for us. My hope is that someone will buy it or there is a possibility that it will be torn down this fall. I would hate to see one of the areas historic buildings torn down.

Three new permanent displays at the Depot are in place. The first, that I am very proud of, is the International flag display. Volunteers sanded, repainted and installed twelve flag poles along the north fence and twelve international flags from countries that settled in Aitkin County are featured with their flags history attached to the fence. Our flag display has attracted a lot of attention from people visiting Aitkin. The second is of a lumber wagon that volunteers built using four steel wheels that were donated to the museum. The third is located in the railroad room on the east wall about the railroad agent. A six car train made out of wood sitting in a train station.

Three new display cases will be added to the museum this fall. This addition will help us to display more artifacts that currently reside in our storage building. The final placement is still being worked out. Several of our current cases and some displays will have to be shifted. This will take careful planning because; we still want the entire museum to remain handicap accessible.

Sentence to Serve has come to the rescue again. They took on the project of repairing our log cabin at the fair grounds. They repaired the damaged log and chinked the cabin. The original bids on this project ranged from 6500 to 7500 dollars. STS completed the project for less than \$1000.00. Their help with our garage sale from setting up to taking down afterward can not be measured. Needless to say, without the help of STS we would not be able to afford or handle all of the projects that we under take. They also mow the grass at building #3 and shovel snow at the Depot during the winter months. Thank You STS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Greg and Laura Thornbloom are working hard photographing barns and collecting barn histories for our book "**Barns of Aitkin County**". They have taken over 700 photographs of Aitkin County Barns since 2008. Work is progressing on **Churches** of Aitkin County and **Schools** of Aitkin County. We are still looking for more information (photos and histories) about **Steamboats** for a book. I am asking for help with the **History Guide and map** of Aitkin County. After the sites are determined, they will all have to be GPS located. This will be a brochure that will be available to all corners of Aitkin County. Do you know of a site that should be included in this map? Of course some of the sites will be located on private property, so there will be a notice on the map to respect that fact and some sites will not be available for viewing. I would like to have the four books and the brochure in print by sometime next year. Would you like to do some research for one of these projects or help to put one or more of them together? Contact me at the Depot. (218) 927-3348

Next year we expect that our revenue will be down, so several areas in our budget had to be reduced. We will be fine unless we have some unexpected expenses like in 2011 when two of our furnaces broke down. As our members become more mature we need to find a fund raiser that we can make some good money, yet is not as strenuous as lets say the garage sale. If you have any ideas about a future fund raiser contact me. Currently our fund raisers are in July, August, September and December. We need to find something we can work on in March, April or May. Put those thinking caps on and see if we can come up with something.

You can see that we have a lot going on at the Depot this year with much more next year. Check out the list of projects that have been completed so far this year and the list of projects that we are working on. More importantly, check out the items that have been donated to the museum. We are receiving a wide variety of items to add to our museums permanent collection. But, more importantly we are receiving information which is filling some of the holes in our Aitkin County history.

We are still waiting to see if we will be getting our land that is under our buildings from the railroad. There is a good chance that we will own the land by the end of the year. Cross your fingers!

Greg Leach (Administrator)

PROJECTS FOR 2012

1. Locating a caboose for Museum
2. Clear area north of building #2 for train car
3. Clean dirt fill for south of building #3
4. Move artifacts by gardens
5. Move tractor closer to building
6. Replace main computer
7. Check into networking computers
8. Hold contests/scavenger hunts
9. 24' Addition to building #2
10. Grant for digital scanner

CURRENTLY WORKING ON

1. Developing research facility at museum
2. Book signings at museum
3. Display artifacts on walls of museum
4. Barns of Aitkin County book
5. Obtaining title to land under Depot
6. Map of historic places in Aitkin County
7. Churches of Aitkin County Book
8. River boat history of Aitkin County book
9. Schools of Aitkin County book.
10. Stain/reseal front of building #2
11. New microfilm reader/scanner/printer
12. Extend east fence next to depot

ONGOING PROJECTS

1. Increasing information on web site
2. Increasing Membership
3. Completing Obituary files
4. Lending Library
5. Collecting Family histories
6. Creating more interest in Museum
7. Planting more Perennials
8. Organize files for easier access
9. Collecting for Garage Sale all year long.

2012 COMPLETED PROJECTS

1. New Depot Museum Banner hung
2. 48 MN history books in Lending Library
3. New lighting in Depot storage areas
4. Motion light in Depot storage area
5. Warren William book signing - Stangeland
6. Warren William movie screening - 2 nights
7. Sand/paint/install 12 flag poles
8. Purchased Minnesota & MIA Flags
9. Purchased 12 International Flags
10. Grant for advertising submitted/received
11. Grants for new film reader - received
12. New Kodak Digital camera donated
13. Old lumber wagon restored & on display
14. Log Cabin repaired and chinked by STS
15. Cobble stone walkway has been leveled

Museum Wish List

Reams of white copy paper

Paper towels / toilet paper

Cleaning supplies

Tickets for garbage pickup

Clean rags

6' Fiberglass Folding Tables

Flowering Perennials

2 - Half Barrel planters

Books for Library - local writers

Minnesota history books

Native American history books

Old farm equipment catalogs

Donations for new Microfilm reader

Riverboat histories/artifacts/photos

Family Histories

Folgers Coffee - Regular or Decaf

Coffee Filters

Old maps of Aitkin County

Wrapped Candy

Railroad artifacts

Old Plat books

Postage Stamps

Blank 3" X 5" cards

Small bottles of drinking water

2012 Memorials

Tommy Thompson - \$20.00

Nellie Way - \$20.00

John Roger Ferlita - \$100.00

Lowell Rosnau \$10.00

Eleanor Weitnauer - \$10.00

Mary Lou Gustin - \$10.00

John MacDonald - \$65.00

Charles Petersen - \$20.00

Helen Olson - \$10.00

Richard Andert - \$10.00

Memorials from the Class of 1950

Rhoda Baker - \$25.00

Members lost in 2012

Jeannette Zilverberg (4/30/1920-3/26/2012)

GOALS FOR 2012

- Membership over 400 members
- Collect 50 raffle prizes
- Receive title to land under Depot
- 3000 Visitors to Museum
- Finish obituary files (25 years left)
- More information on web site. - **done**
- Complete AHS yearbook collection
- Depot museum becomes destination

MUSEUM VISITORS

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
January	30	24	40	40
February	18	22	22	55
March	30	61	23	187
April	28	36	48	153
May	77	72	50	100
6 th Grade	84	109	101	91
June	84	157	472	183
July	149	229	266	300
County Fair	1331	1441	1171	0
August	202	201	214	
September	42	68	128	
October	77	141	75	
November	30	43	93	
December	90	83	131	0
Totals	2322	2687	2834	1113

Come to the Depot and enjoy the many diverse displays, work on your family Genealogy, explore Aitkin County history.

GOAL FOR 2012 – 3000

LENDING LIBRARY

Still Looking for Help!!!!!!!

Our lending library for members is close to becoming a reality. Over 450 books have been collected for this project. Books can be found on the following subjects:

- Railroads
- Civil War
- World Wars I & II
- Native Americans
- Railroads
- Pioneers
- Minnesota History
- Regional histories
- American history
- Books by local authors
- Immigrants

We need help organizing the books and putting them by categories. Need cards typed up so they can be checked out to our members. If you can help with this project please contact me at the Depot.

BUSINESS MEMBERSHIPS

Get more exposure for your business with a membership to ACHS for only \$30.00 year.

- Business members are listed in our quarterly newsletter with the request that our members support them.
- Businesses are listed on our web site with links to their web sites or emails.
- The Aitkin County Historical Society tries to buy everything it needs from our business members first.

The Aitkin County Historical Society is looking for photos and histories of barns, schools & churches in Aitkin County. Please share any photos or history that you have in your possession with the Depot Museum. Items shared with us will be included in a collection of books we will be printing about Aitkin County.

RAFFLE TICKETS

Tickets for our Annual Raffle were sent out to our membership during the first week in June. A list of the prizes that we had collected as of that date went out with the tickets. If you have a prize to donate for this event, whether it is from you personally or from your business, please contact Greg at the Depot so he can put it on the list. We do collect prizes up until the day of the drawing. Prizes from businesses will be listed for a year as a supporting business in our newsletter and on our web site. Our early-bird drawing, for all tickets that have been turned in will be held Aug. 6th. Tickets that have been turned in early are eligible for both drawings. The main drawing will be held at the Depot on December 1st. Additional tickets are available at the Depot.

(GOAL – 2000)

GARAGE SALE

Come on down to the Aitkin County Fair Grounds on August 3rd from 9am to 4pm or on Saturday August 4th from 9am to 3pm. Find some hidden treasures. Help out with the sale. On Saturday from 9 am to 1pm everything is half price. From 1pm to 3pm everything you can fit in a box for only \$3.00.

(GOAL - \$5,000.00)

Gerald Hedberg donated
a Kodak Easy Share MD41
12.2 Mega Pixels Digital
Camera with 3X Zoom to
the Historical Society.
Thank you Jerry for saving
us the expense of buying a
new camera for the museum

Sometimes when
things are falling
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Donations to Museum

Peonies for gardens - Carol Mills
\$20.00 donation - James Loos
Books for Library - John Hendrickson
\$30.00 donation - Stan & Mary Doten
\$30.00 donation - Paul & Luanne Beyreuther
\$30.00 donation - Bob & Jan Kolodji
\$20.00 donation - Elsie Paulson
\$50.00 donation for flowers - Shirley Davies
\$15.00 donation - Betty Young
\$50.00 donation - Kay McKersie

WARREN WILLIAM DAY AT THE MOVIES

Heads Up: Every August Turner Classic Movies (TCM) devotes each day of the month to a different legendary actor or actress during their Summer Under the Stars Festival.. For the first time, TCM will honor Aitkins native movie star, Warren William, with 24 hours of his films on August 30th. He will share the month with other greaat Hollywood personalities like James Cagney (August 14th), Katherine Hepburn (August 17th) and John Wayne (August 1st). In this period Warren William was unlike any other actor in Hollywood frequently playing predatory and amoral characters while exercising an uncanny ability to remain likable in spite of his delicious wickedness. They're playing 16 of Warren's classic movies. Get some friends together and hold a Warren William movie party. We will have a review of each film on our web site; www.aitkin.com/achs. Check it out! List of movies and times shown below. **All times listed are Eastern time.**

WARREN WILLIAM FESTIVAL ON TCM - AUGUST 30th

6:00 a.m. - Bedside (1934)
7:15 a.m. - The First Hundred Years (1938)
8:30 a.m. - Wives Under Suspicion (1938)
9:45 a.m. - The Mouthpiece (1932)
11:15 a.m. - Skyscraper Souls (1932)
1:00 p.m. - Three On a Match (1932)
2:15 p.m. - The Match King (1932)
3:45 p.m. - The Mind Reader (1933)
5:00 p.m. - Gold Diggers of 1933 (1933)
6:45 p.m. - Times Square Playboy (1936)
8:00 p.m. - Lady For a Day (1933)
9:45 p.m. - Cleopatra (1934)
11:45 p.m. - Employees Entrance (1933)
1:15 a.m. - The Case of the Howling Dog (1934)
2:45 a.m. - Lone Wolf Spy Hunt (1939)
4:00 a.m. - Arsene Lupin Returns (1938)

All Times listed are Eastern Time
Check your local listings

New Books in Museum Gift Shop

Finns in Minnesota
My Mother is Now Earth
Outdoor Adventures - Deer Stands & Stories
Outdoor Adventures - Hunting, Fishing & Trap
Minnesota State Parks: A Camper's Guide
Heroes of the Uprising of 1862
The Great Minnesota Hot Dish
Little Minnesota (100 Towns of 100 people)
Growing Perennials in Cold Climates
Wild About Minnesota Birds - Youth's Guide
Wild Rice-A-Bilia
The Waterslide
The WD-40 Book
Minnesota Running Trails
You Know You're a Minnesotan
Minnesota Day Trips
The Seven States of Minnesota
Birds of Minnesota
Fish of Minnesota
Minnesota Memories & Images
Members receive a 10% discount

2012 RAFFLE PRIZES

The following prizes have been collected so far

EARLY-BIRD DRAWING

1. Old Log Theater Tickets for two – Excelsior – donated by KKin – (\$60.00 value)
2. Cuyuna Country Auto Center Full Service Oil Change – (\$32.00 value)
3. Cycle, Path and Paddle – Crosby – (\$25.00 gift certificate)
4. Sunbeam Imperial Plush Heated Throw – (\$25.00 value) donated by RDJ products
5. Family Membership to ACHS – (\$20.00 value)
6. Cuyuna Lanes – Crosby - (\$15.00 value)
7. Fleece Stadium Blanket – (\$10.00 value) donated by RDJ Specialties
8. Shiperio (Golf Card Game) donated by Bruce Leach – (\$8.00 value)
9. Aitkin County Naturally – (\$5.00 value)
10. Red or Blue Bandana – (\$3.00 value)

DECEMBER 1ST DRAWING

1. Chanhassen Dinner Theater for two donated by KKin – (\$150.00 value)
2. Grand Casino Mille Lacs Hotel Package for two – (\$125.00 value)
3. 2 – Wild Mountain Super day passes – (Valued at \$66.00)
4. Afghan made by Carol Bailey – (\$50.00 value)
5. Cuyuna Country Auto Center Full Service Oil Change – (\$32.00 value)
6. 36” White Doily – made and donated by Laurel Lamke – (\$30.00 value)
7. 2 – 20” square Blue & White Throw Pillows made and donated by Marlene Kingsley – (\$30.00 value)
8. Shawl made by Connie Petersen
9. Rialto Movie Theater - \$25.00 Gift Certificate
10. The Office Shop - \$25.00 Gift Certificate
11. Pre-paid VISA card – (\$25.00 value) donated by Greg Leach
12. Rialto Movie Theater - \$25.00 Gift Certificate
13. 28” White Doily – made and donated by Laurel Lamke – (\$25.00 value)
14. 3’ X 5’ Afghan made and donated by Marlene Kingsley – (\$25.00 value)
15. Pre-paid VISA card – (\$25.00 value) donated by Greg Leach
16. 22” Green & White Doily – made and donated by Laurel Lamke – (\$20.00 value)
17. Family membership to ACHS – (\$20.00 value)
18. Folding Chair - donated by RDJ Specialties – (\$15.00 value)
19. 8 GB 2.0 Flash Drive – donated by RDJ Specialties - (\$15.00 value)
20. Traditions Mini-golf – 2 passes for golf – (\$15.00 value)
21. 20” Crème Doily – made and donated by Laurel Lamke – (\$15.00 value)
22. Cuyuna Lanes – Crosby – (\$10.00 value)
23. Shiperio (Golf Card Game) donated by Bruce Leach – (\$8.00 value)
24. Northland Subway Inc. – Free 6-inch Fresh Value Meal
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26. Aitkin County Naturally – (\$5.00 value)
27. Red or Blue Bandana – (\$3.00 value)

ADDITIONAL RAFFLE PRIZES NEEDED

We will be adding additional prizes up until the day of the drawing in December. If you have a prize to add to our list, please contact Greg Leach at the Depot as soon as possible. (218) 927-3348. I would like to have a total of 40 prizes to give away in December. Please help us reach that goal.

SECOND QUARTER ACCESSIONS

- 12-026 John Stangeland 12 – Warren Williams Photos
12-027 Elsie Paulson Old Toaster
12-028 Deb Janzen Misc. Papers
12-029 Carol Bailey Sheet Music
12-030 Richard Peterson Old School and Coop papers
12-031 Bob Monette Early 1900's paper items found in walls of his home
12-032 Jarold Backstrom Aitkin 1951 Pioneer Celebration Pin celebrating 80 years
12-033 Janet Miller 1976 prom dress, 1975 floral prom dress, 20 – photos of McGregor photo of Clarince McKay, 21 other photos
12-034 Edna Ashton Barbers strap, Brownie Camera carried during Korean War
2 free hand stitched art work pillow cases, Race Horse feed sack
12-035 Tom Fiedler 3 photos of Fiedler farm/barn
12-036 Elaine Wischmann History of MiLady's Beauty Shop, 1957 Beauty Shop Prices, Sterilzer, Curling Irons, Wrist Magnet, Nail Buffer, Clippers
12-037 Mike Hill Blow Torch
12-038 Laura Thornbloom 124 Kodak Instamatic Camera, Set of Flash Cubes
12-039 Cal Stexnig McGrath Creamery Butter Box, Photo of McGrath Hall
12-040 Alice Fageroos 3 – hot pads, fish bait can, patterns, kitchen tools, 8 – books
3 – Ice tongs, chisel, carpenters chest
12-041 Jennie Hakes Mothers Antique Doll
12-042 Colleen Bremner Oxen Bog Shoes, 2 – Shoulder Yokes, Workhorse harness parts
12-043 Doris Nordean Ice Pick, Vintage Dresser
12-044 Hometown B.S. 2 – Coal Scoops
12-045 Terry Kullhem No. 2 Hawkeye Special Camera
12-046 Kit Julum Aitkin Ames Motor Car Co. Advertising piece
12-047 Sharon Cooper 1930's Republican papers, 1937, 1939, & 1940 phone books from Isle, Malmo, McGrath, & Wahkon, Photos of Seavey Post Office
12-048 Christine Bailey Photo of Aitkin Band Stand, Aitkin Community Band shirt & hat
12-049 Janet Miller Photo's
12-050 Russ Peterson 6 – Minnesota Territorial Centennial Year Coasters
12-051 Cliff Nemitz 4 – Aitkin Post Cards
12-052 Gary Reiter Wood Boat
12-053 Carlton Co. H.S. Aitkin County Magazine
12-054 Aitkin Airport Photo, maps and Misc. books
12-055 Debbie Janzen Metal Doll House, Doll
12-056 Itasca Co. H.S. 35 photos, 6 slides, 50 negatives (Hill City/Jacobson areas)
12-057 Cathy Buhlmann AHS Yearbooks – 67, 69, & 70. 2011 All-class reunion paper
1973 America Youth in Concert yearbook
12-058 Fawnice Flowers 3 family photos
12-059 Marlys Morris AHS – 1963 Homecoming button, Misc. clippings
12-060 Sharon Cooper Photos
12-061 Karen Melich 6 – photos of J & I Hotel + some history
12-062 Janet Miller Yearbooks, misc.
12-063 Loa Nelson Hand made Wooden Train and Railroad Station
12-064 Sam Gash 2- railroad spike pullers, railroad pry bar
12-065 Mel Gilmer Riverboat buttons
12-066 Doris Nordean Railroad first aid kit, misc.
12-067 Mike Carlson Shaving mug/brush/straight razor, Secretaries desk, tomato strainer,
2-Threshers books, hair clippers, misc. newspaper, 2-books
12-068 Norm Hulin Original Sheriffs sign, 3-Road Flares, Aitkin County map, Corn Sheller
12-069 Judy Kinstad Dipper for molten iron to make babbits, a type for bearings

NEW MEMBERS

Jerome D. Poland, MD., LTD.
Nancy MacArthur
Dorothy Hermanson
Christensen Law Office
Zola Thompson
Paul & Rose Boucher

Need only 27 more members to reach our goal of 400.

GREAT people

Talk about IDEAS

AVERAGE people

Talk about THINGS

SMALL people

Talk about other people

EARLY BIRD RAFFLE DRAWING WILL BE HELD AUGUST 6TH ON KKKIN RADIO AT 8:30AM. LISTEN AND SEE IF YOU'RE A WINNER. MAIN DRAWING DECEMBER 1ST

Warren William Movie Marathon

On August 30th TCM will be showing 16 of Warren William classic films.

Research Projects taking Shape

We are currently working on five research projects:

1. Barns of Aitkin County
2. Churches of Aitkin County
3. Historical Map of Aitkin County – (GPS sites)
4. Riverboat history of Aitkin County.
5. Schools of Aitkin County

Pick a project and give us a hand

Minnesota State Statute 138.053 states "a town may annually appropriate from its general fund up to 0.02418 percent of its taxable market value to be paid to the County Historical Society if the society is approved by the State Historical Society."
Since Aitkin County Historical Society is officially sanctioned by the Minnesota Historical Society, contributions are within a townships scope of operations.

Missing AHS Yearbooks

1972, 1975, 1979, 2010, 2011, 2012

REMEMBER WHEN!

My curfew was the street lights, and my mom didn't call my cell, she yelled "time to come in". I played outside with friends, not online. If I didn't eat what my mom made me. Then I didn't eat. Hand sanitizer didn't exist, but you COULD get your mouth washed out with soap. I rode a bike without a helmet. And getting dirty was OK. Click "Like" if you drank water from a garden hose and survived.

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COUNTY FAIR

The County fair was canceled this year due to flooding. How does this affect us? Normally we have between 1100 and 1500 people visit our display in the Log Cabin located at the fair grounds. This helps to create interest in our displays at the Depot Museum. It also is part of our visitor count for the year. So instead of the 3000 visitors that I had set for a goal this year, our visitor count will be around 1500 to 2000. It is what it is. We will just have to continue to promote the museum and hopefully more locals will visit.

MEMBERSHIPS DUE

Are you one of the **Sixty-Six** that has not renewed their membership to the Aitkin County Historical Society.

If you are,
Please renew TODAY!

We need everyone to renew and others to join if we are going to reach our goal of 400 members.

More members translate into more history shared with the Society for future generations to enjoy.

Membership Comparison

Carver County, located southwest of Minneapolis, has a population of 91,000. The County Historical Society has a membership of **800**. The percentage of Carver County residents that are members is **.00879%**. Aitkin County has a population of 16,000 with **370** being members of the Historical Society. The percentage of Aitkin County residents that are members is **.02313%**. That's great, but I believe we can do better. (**400 = .025%**)

35 YEARS AGO

Historical Society Notes Depot Museum Progress

Aitkin Independent Age – October 19, 1977

Membership in the Aitkin Historical Society now numbers 80, with 60 regular members and 20 life members, according to the groups annual report.

There were over 621 registered visitors at the depot museum this past summer. The visitors represented 16 states as well as Iceland, Germany, Sweden and British Columbia.

The museum was open in the afternoon each Wednesday and Saturday, staffed by volunteers because of the lack of finances to pay a curator.

Many more artifacts have been donated to the society during the past year. These include numerous articles from the 1901 Aitkin school, old calendars, old dress form, old duplication machine, photographs of the early logging days in Aitkin County, miscellaneous pictures and postcards, newspapers with historical headlines, WWI and WWII souvenirs, artistic scrapbooks, toys from the early days, several old display cases, baby clothing of the early 1900's, an old saddle, old farming and wooden hand tools, miscellaneous books and song books, a miniature covered wagon, adults antique clothing, several china and kitchen articles.

Three members of the board attended an all-day workshop in Grand Rapids sponsored by the Itasca County Historical Society and the Minnesota State Historical Society. Much was learned on cataloging, historical libraries and surveying historical sights.

David Nuystuen, field director of the State Historical Society, visited with the local board several times this past year, commenting favorably on the continuing progress of the depot Museum and Log Museum.

The county society is an annual paying member of the State Historical Society.

Historical Society Elects

Elections of officers for the October 1977 to October 1978 year was held at the annual meeting of the Aitkin County Historical Society Tuesday evening, October 11, at the Depot Museum.

The following officers were unanimously re-elected: John Aklestad, president; Martha Schmitt, vice president; Felix Kaplan, treasurer; Dorothy Hakes, secretary; Leona Ingersol, director, Molly Call was named lunch chairman, and Romelle Peterson was named program chairman.

Annual reports were given by the treasure and secretary. Allyn Hanson, dressed as Uncle Sam, provided a patriotic program with a talk on "I Am America."

Lunch was served to the large attendance by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kliewere.

AITKIN AGE – SEPTEMBER 1904

THE EARLY YEARS

The high incidence of saloons in early Aitkin can be directly attributed to the intense thirst generated among the loggers in their relentless search for the white pine log.

The thirsty logger could, at one period in Aitkin's early history, take his choice of over 17 saloons. The White Fawn, Costello's Place, the Green Tree, were a few of the many. They were often called sample rooms, and assisted, together with a few of the logging camp contractors, in separating the logger from his winter's pay. He was a willing victim, and the ensuing differences of opinions between imbibers often required the services of the town constable or on some occasions, the sheriff.

WILLIAM AITKIN

William Alexander Aitkin was born about 1785 in Scotland and came into the Upper Mississippi region in the early 1800's from Canada.

"W.A. Aitkin died September 16, 1851, and is buried on the east bank of the Mississippi opposite to the mouth of the Swan River in Morrison County where he had a trading post during the last nine years after 1842.

Aitkin Age, April 1883

There will soon be weeping and lamenting in Aitkin. A brass band with all which the name implies is about to be inaugurated and about four-fifths of the populace will go out and declare life a burden.

Board of Directors: Bill Stimac (President), Mary Rea (Vice President), Lorraine Liljenquist (Secretary), Alice Fageroos (Treasurer), Cheryl Meld (Ex-Officio), Jon Jacobson, Alice Dotzler, Connie Petterson, Barb Gottsch, Pat Williams, Arlene McNevin, Susan Benson, Carol Bailey, Mark Wedel (County Commissioner), Sherry Arvidson (Accountant), Greg Leach (Administrator)

AITKIN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

Business Memberships – 35, Individual Memberships – 27, Senior Memberships – 100,
Family Members – 192, Life Members – 17, Perpetuity – 2
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP - 373

SUPPORT OUR BUSINESS MEMBERS

Aicota Health Care Center
Aitkin Body Shop
Aitkin Chamber of Commerce
Aitkin County Abstract Company
Aitkin Family Chiropractic Center
Aitkin Flowers & Gifts
Aitkin Furniture & Carpet
Aitkin Independent Age
Aitkin Iron Works
Aitkin Lodge No. 164 IOOF
Aitkin Motor Company
American Legion Post 86
Arvidson Tax & Accounting
Blakesly Appliance Service & Repair
Christensen Law Office
Enberg TV
Eyecare Center of Aitkin & McGregor
Garrison Disposal
Gobles Sewer Service
Gravelle Plumbing & Heating
Hasskamp Bros. Well Drilling
Hometown Building Supply
Hudrlik Carpet
K & J C-Stores, Inc.
KKIN-KEZZ Radio
Lundberg Plumbing & Heating
Members Coop Credit Union
Mille Lacs Energy Cooperative
Paulbeck's County Market
Peoples National Bank
Jerome D. Poland, MD., LTD.
Red Door Resort & Motel
R & K Cabinets
Security State Bank
Sunset Bay Resort

SUPPORTING TOWNSHIPS

NORDLAND – (2009-2012)
PLINY – (2005-2011)
IDUN – (2005-2012)
LIBBY – (2005-2011)
FARM ISLAND – (2005-2012)
CLARK – (2011)
GLEN – (2005-2011)
LAKESIDE – (2005-2011)
RICE RIVER – (2005-2012)
CITY OF AITKIN – (2012)

AITKIN COUNTY – (1990 – 2012)

EVENT SUPPORTING BUSINESSES

Aitkin Independent Age
Cascade Lodge – Lutsen
Cuyuna Country Auto – Crosby
Cuyuna Lanes – Crosby
Cycle, Path & Paddle – Crosby
Enberg TV – Aitkin
Garrison Disposal – Aitkin
Grand Casino Mille Lacs
KKIN AM & FM radio – Aitkin
MacDonald-Wold - Aitkin
Minnesota Timberwolves/Lynx
Minnesota Twins
Northland Subway Inc.
The Office Shop - Aitkin
RDJ products – Memphis, TN
Rialto Movie Theater – Aitkin
Shiperio Games – Chanhassen
Traditions Mini-golf – Deerwood
Wild Mountain – Taylors Falls

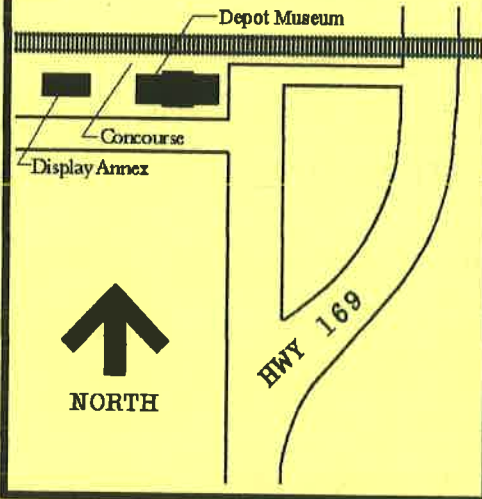
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to the Aitkin County Historical Society

2012 DONATORS IN BOLD PRINT

**Please support our member and event supporting businesses.
They need our support during these hard times.**

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*We're located just 2 blocks south of
the stoplights in downtown Aitkin*

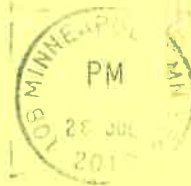


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CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2012

GENEALOGY

Group has disbanded.

COLLECTIONS

Next meeting will be on Friday September 7th, at 9:30am.

AITKIN COUNTY FAIR

July 11th - 14th

CANCELED DUE TO FLOODING

ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

August 3rd & 4th

Two buildings full of merchandise again this year. This should be our biggest sale in the history of ACHS. Saturday is half price day.

AITKIN REDEZVOUS

September 14th - 16th

We will once again have a food booth and a display in our log cabin located at the Aitkin Fair Grounds.

Annual Open House/Cookie Walk/Raffle

December 1, 2012

Open House 9am-4pm, Cookie Walk starts at 9:30am, raffle drawing will be held at 2pm. We ask our members to bake four dozen cookies for this event.

THE PRESERVATION
OF YOUR HERITAGE
DEPENDS ON YOU

JOIN ACHS TODAY

MUSEUM HOURS

JUNE THROUGH AUGUST

Tue. & Wed. 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Fri. & Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY

Wed., Fri. & Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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