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Concerning the occasion of Brandon's 125th celebration,

A good time was had by all!



The Brandon Miss Mid-Summerfest royalty were crowned Aug. 3. Left to right are: Miss Congeniality, Julia Engel, Miss Photogenic Jocelyn Olson, 1st Attendant KayCee Bosek, Queen Siri Preston and 2nd Attendant Kayla Boesl. For more on the pageant see page 9.

When plans are made for a celebration such as the 125th anniversary of a town's founding, there is much to do with little guarantee that everything will work out just right, including the weather.

Whatever the reason, the Brandon celebration marking the milestone of 125 years went off wonderfully with



Hilda Bettermann readied to pull the cover off the new plaque on the Brandon Auditorium telling of its inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places.

each event well planned and coordinated.

From the crowd that gathered for the dedication of the Brandon Auditorium to the lawnchairs set up for the presentation of "Hansel and Gretel", things could not have gone better.

The icon of Brandon, the auditorium, was given a ceremony fit for such a grand, old building Aug. 1. The crowd was a large one and recognition was given to the members of the Brandon American Legion and Fire Department who were on hand.

There were many speakers who took to the podium to tell the history of the building and for some they had lived that history in having their commencement there or attending dances. For one individual, Bob Coates, he related memories of when he was 11 years old and worked in the gravel pit that supplied building materials for the auditorium.

The dedication of the Edgefield Cemetery was a solemn ceremony that also brought out a good number of people who wanted to be on hand for the occasion. Bud Greenquist probably put it best when he said in his remarks: "How many people are buried here? Only God knows. How many veterans are buried here? Only God knows."

The site where those people rest was dedicated with dignity and will now be a place for contemplation amongst the trees, grass and rocks.

The afternoon of Aug. 2 saw quite a bit of color added to the Brandon Auditorium as it was the site of an areawide Red Hatter's Summer Fling.

Chippewa Park was a crowded place the evening of Aug. 2 as over 300 people showed up for a pork chop dinner that provided a great opportunity to eat and sit talking with friends, neighbors and relatives.

An afternoon of music at

For complete coverage of Brandon's 125th celebration see pages 6-15.



This year's Grand Marshals of the Brandon Mid-Summerfest parade were Marlene and Bill Lund.

Lions Park helped fill the day Aug. 3 with the pageant that evening at 7 p.m. Many former members of the Summerfest royal court showed up for the 20th crowning of Miss Mid-Summerfest.

Friday was a big day at the school as hundreds returned to walk the halls and catch up on the lives of fellow classmates. A buffet dinner the evening of the all-school reunion drew over 600 people.

That evening, John and Karen Lund's barn was the place to be as over 500 people came and had a good time dancing and talking and when it was over, the visitors did a great job of cleaning up after themselves.

As the morning of Aug. 5 arrived it was time to get ready for a big day.

Chairs began appearing along the parade route early

See 125th, page 20.



The halls of the Brandon School were full of alumni

Aug. 4 as part of the all-school reunion.

Auditions set for PWP's 'Everyone Loves Opal'

Fall is just around the corner and it's time to start thinking about how to spend your time. One great option would be to audition for a play. You are invited to audition for Prairie Wind Players upcoming adult comedy. This fall PWP is presenting a hilarious comedy by John Patrick, "Everyone Loves Opal", directed by Paul Schoenack, Glenwood. Schoenack's directing experience includes two productions at the Alexandria Area Arts Association Theatre.

Auditions are Monday & Tuesday, August 21 & 22 from 7-9 p.m. at Roosevelt Hall in Barrett. There will be a cast meeting either Aug. 24 or 25, with a read thru of the play. Blocking rehearsals will begin the following week with a break for the Labor Day weekend.

Performance dates are Thursday, Oct. 12 through Sunday, Oct.15 with dinner theatre on Friday & Saturday nights, and a Sunday matinee. Rehearsals will be during the month of September and the first two weeks of October.

The cast of Opal includes

two women and four men. All of the parts are great characters. These parts are lots of fun to act!

Opal, a middle aged junk collector who always sees the bright side of life, age 40 and up (no age is too old).

Gloria, a ditzy younger woman with more looks than brains, age 40 and down.

Doctor, smaller part, conducts a hilarious insurance interview (1 scene), any age is fine.

Sheriff, a smaller part, keeps an eye on Opal for her own protection, younger man, age 40 and under.

Bradford, a middle aged, overweight (could wear a fat suit), incompetent crook age 30 and up.

Professor Solomon, the brains of the operation (if he's not drinking) egocentric scholar that can't get a job teaching because of his attitude & behavior, age 30 and

Plot; Opal lives on the edge of town, near the dump in a rundown old house. She collects junk and sells it for a living. A small gang of incompetent crooks on the run from the law discover Opal's home. They hide out there and set up shop manufacturing illegal perfume. They decided that she would be worth more to them dead than alive and take out an insurance policy on her. However, they can't seem to get anything right!

For information or a script, contact Betsy Ostenson, 218-948-2197.

Legal notice

NOTICE OF FILING PERIOD **CITY OF BRANDON**

Notice is hereby given that the filing period for positions on the Brandon City Council will be from:

August 29, to September 12, 2006 The following offices shall be filled: Mayor - (2 year term)

Councilmembers - 2 positions - (4 year terms)

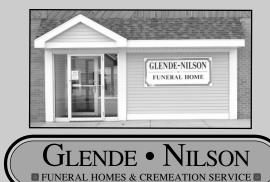
Affidavits of candidacy for the above offices may be filed with the City Clerk at the Brandon City Hall during normal business hours. Filing period closes at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 12, 2006.

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TIF District Name:	Economic Dev TIF 1-2 [TIF District 1-2 (Bob's Conoco)]	Economic Dev TIF 1-3 [TIF District 1-3 (Pro-Therm)]	Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-5 [Motel]
Current net tax capacity	3,834	5,700	6,140
Original net tax capacity	387	17	492
Captured net tax capacity	3,447	5,683	5,648
Principal and interest payments due during			
current year	3,300	5,700	5,350
Tax increment received	3,846	6,327	5,952
Tax increment expended	3,746	5,694	5,740
Month and year of first tax increment receipt	July 1997	February 1998	July 2005
Date of required decertification	12-31-2022	12-31-2007	12-31-2013

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TIF District Name:		Tax Increr Financing 1-6 [Distri	District No. ct No. 1-4	[Dist	District No. 1-4 rict No. 1-4 donville Telephone)]
Current net tax capacity		(Gardonvi	0		21,822
Original net tax capacity			0		117
Captured net tax capacity			0		21,705
Principal and interest payments due of current year	during				21.750
carrent year			0		21,750
Tax increment received			0		24,172
Tax increment expended			4,086		22,231
Month and year of first tax incremen	t receipt		July 2007		February 2000
Date of required decertification		•	12-31-2015		08-10-2009

Additional information regarding each district may be obtained from:

Debra Grommesh, Clerk PO Box 137 E (320) 524-2260 Brandon, MN 56315

Letter to the editor

To the editor:

Many of us have just experienced a wonderful week of activities, memories and events surrounding the Brandon 125th Anniversary.

I want to thank each and every person who contributed to these days. It was great fun coming to Brandon and joining with so many others. Wherever we looked and wherever we went, there was something fun to see, remember and enjoy.

So often we look for ways to make our local cities safer and healthier. Coming together as we did, with pride in our community, school, history and heritage only helps to create a more loving and enriching atmosphere for all residents and citizens.

Thank you for modelling such an outstanding effort at community building...an example for our future generations. Congratulations to the committee and endless volunteers!

> Sister Cordy Korkowski, OSF St. Cloud, MN





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Affidavits of Candidacy for the City

Election which will be held November 7, 2006 may be filed with the City

Clerk from August 29, 2006 to Sep-

tember 12, 2006. Voters will elect a

Mayor for a term of two years and two

Council Members for a term of four

years. Terms expire for Council Mem-

bers Richard Evavold & Scott Nelson and Mavor Terry Aasness. Closing

time for filing on the last day is no later

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than 5:00 PM.

Diana K. Olson



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Prairie Wind Players Community Theatre presents their Summer Children Play featuring Grant County children

"The Boy Who Became a Tree" (and Other Imaginings)

Script by Owen Heiberg, Music by Daniel Nordquist, based on five stories by Mabel Werk.

Directed by Ashley Satre

Friday, August 11 at 7:30 pm Saturday August 12 at 7:30 pm & Sunday, August 13 at 2:00 pm at Roosevelt Hall in Barrett, MN.

Thank you.

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An Open House Bridal Shower for Melanie Kronberg

(bride-to-be of Jason Andersen) will be held Saturday, Aug. 12 at 10 a.m. at Faith Lutheran Church in Evansville



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Sarah's Recipes



ally here with hot weather like we haven't seen for many years. We all still have to eat and do not like the stove on too long so I found a few entrees and salads that are easy to make.

es, skin removed

1/2 c. chopped celery

1/2 c. sliced carrot

1/2 c. chopped onion

Lettuce leaves

pineapple, raisins, sunflower kernels and peanuts. In a small bowl, combine the peanut butter, yogurt, mayonnaise and salt. Mix well. Pour over carrot mixture, stir to coat. Serve in a lettuce-lined bowl. Yield 4 servings.

Tomatoes & Vinagrette 3 tbsp. vinegar

3 tbsp. vegetable oil 2 tbsp. sugar

1 tsp. seasoned salt pepper to taste

2 medium tomatoes, cut into wedges

Lettuce leaves

In a jar with a tight fitting lid, combine vinegar oil, sugar, seasoned salt and pepper. Shake well and serve over tomatoes and lettuce. 2 servings.

Fruited Lemon Gelatin Salad

1 large pkg. (6 oz.) lemon gelatin

2 c. boiling water

1 can (12 oz.) lemon-lime

1 can (20 oz.) crushed pine-

1 can (15 oz.) mandarin oranges, drained

2 cups halved green grapes

1 egg

1/2 c. sugar

2 tbsp. flour

1 tbsp. butter or margarine

1 c. whipping cream, whipped

Lettuce leaves, optional

Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Stir in soda. Refrigerate until partially set. Drain pineapple, reserving juice. Set the pineapple aside. Add water if necessary to pineapple juice to make 1 c. Set aside. Stir pineapple, oranges and grapes into gelatin. Pour into

a 9 by 13 by 2 inch dish. Refrigerate. In a saucepan over medium heat, combine egg, sugar, flour, butter and reserved pineapple juice. Bring to boil, cook and stir for 2 minutes until thickened. Cool completely. Fold in whipped cream. Spread over

gelatin. Refrigerate until firm. Cut into squares. Serve on lettuce if desired. Yields 15-18 servings.

Stav cool and remember: more truth is found in digging for facts then in jumping to conclusions.





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Hello again. Summer is re-

Crock Pot All Day Chicken Casserole

1/2 c. dry navy beans 1 1/2 to 2 lbs. chicken piec-

3/4 c. sodium reduced tomato juice

1 clove garlic minced

1 bay leaf

1 tsp. instant beef boullion granules

1/2 tsp. dried basil, crushed 1/2 tsp. dried sage, crushed 1 tsp. dry oregano

1/4 tsp. paprika

Cook the beans the night before. Rinse beans. In a medium saucepan combine beans and 2 cups of water. Bring to boiling. Boil it uncovered for 10 minutes. Drain. Add 2 more cups of water. Return to boiling, then reduce heat and simmer for 1 1/2 hours or until tender. Drain and chill. The next morning in a slow cooker, combine beans, chicken pieces, sodium reduced tomato juice, celery, carrots, onion, garlic, bay leaf, boullion granules, basil, oregano, sage and paprika. Cover and cook on low-heat setting for 8 to 10 hours. Remove and discard the bay leaf. Makes 4 serv-

Cucumber Tuna Boats

3 medium cucumbers

1 can (6 oz.) tuna flaked

2 hard cooked eggs, chopped

1/2 c. shredded cheddar

1/2 c. chopped celery

1/4 c. mayonnaise or salad dressing 2 tbsp. sweet pickle relish

1 tbsp. finely chopped on-

1 tsp. lemon juice

1/2 tsp. salt

Cut cucumbers in half lengthwise. Remove and discard the seeds. Cut a thin slice from the bottom of cucumbers if necessary for them to lay flat. In a bowl, combine

Nutty Carrot Salad 2 c. shredded carrots 1 can (8 oz.) crushed pineapple, drained 1/4 to 1/2 c. plumped raisins

Spoon the mixture into cu-

cumbers. Serve immediate-

ly. Yield 3 servings.

1/4 to 1/2 c. sunflower kernels

1/4 c. salted peanuts

1/4 c. peanut butter

1/4 c. vanilla yogurt 1/4 c. mayonnaise

1/8 tsp. salt

Pepper to taste

In a bowl, toss the carrots,

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7 p.m. August 17, 2006

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Notice is hereby given that the council will meet at 7:00 p.m. on August 23, 2006 at the Brandon Community Center/Senior Center to consider, and possibly adopt, the proposed assessment for Lots 1 through 8, Block One, Deere Run Estates and Lots 1 through 7, Block Two. Deere Run Estates, by street, curb and gutter, water, sewer and storm sewer. Adoption by the council of the proposed assessment against abutting property may occur at the

hearing. Such assessment is proposed to be payable in equal annual installments extending over a period of 15 years, the first installments to be payable in accordance to your tax statement heginning in the year 2007, and will bear interest at the rate of 6.5% per annum starting from the date the resolution is passed. To each subsequent installment when due shall be added interest for one year on all unpaid installments.

You may at any time prior to certification of the assessment to the county auditor (November 25), pay the entire assessment on such property to the City Clerk. No interest shall be charged if the entire assessment is paid prior to certification. You may at any time thereafter, pay to the City Clerk the entire amount of the assessment remaining unpaid, with interest accrued to December 31 of the year in which such pay

ment is made. Such payment must be made before November 25 or interest will be charged through December 31 of the succeeding year. If you decide not to prepay the assessment before the certification date of November 25, the rate of interest that will apply is 6.5% per year. The right to partially prepay the assessment according to Ordinance No. 303.11 is available.

The proposed assessment roll is on

file for public inspection at the city clerk's office. The total amount of the proposed assessment is \$483,026.94. Written or oral objections will be considered at the meeting. No appeal may be taken as to the amount of an assessment unless a written objection signed by the affected property owner is filed with the municipal clerk prior to the assessment hearing or present to the presiding officer at the hearing. The council may upon such notice consider any objection to the amount of a proposed individual assessment at an adjourned meeting upon such further notice to the affected property owners as it deems advisable. The owner may appeal an assess-

ment to district court pursuant to Minn. Stat. 429.081 by serving notice of the appeal upon the mayor or clerk of the city within 30 days after the adoption of the assessment and filing such notice with the district court within 10 days after service upon the mayor or clerk. Debra Grommesh, Brandon City

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REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS IN-CLUDE: Evansville City Council, first Monday, 7 PM; Brandon City Council, first Monday, 7 p.m.; Evansville School Board, second Monday, 7 p.m.; Brandon School Board, third Monday, 8

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Brandon Auditorium dedication ceremony involves many



Hilda Bettermann was the emcee for the dedication ceremony.

Sen. Knute Nelson, a.k.a.

Gary Lund, President of

the Douglas County His-

torical Society, spoke at

the dedication.



Giving the invocation was **Pastor Tony Stockman of** the Chippewa Lutheran



Bob Coates spoke of how



Members of the Brandon American Legion Post No. 278 were recognized during the ceremony.



he helped his grandfather work in the gravel pit which supplied materials for the construction of the hall.



The members of the Brandon Fire Department were recognized at the dedication for their contribution and service to the community.



This plaque is located near the entrance to the audito-



A large crowd attended the dedication.



"Voices of Joy" from Seven Dolors Church in Millerville provided the music during the dedication.



Left to right: District 11A Representative Torrey Westrom, Douglas County District 1 Commissioner Jerry Johnson, Douglas County Sheriff Bill Ingebrigtsen and Brandon Police Chief Dave Ahlquist each took a turn at the microphone to offer their congratulations to the city as well as to share thoughts and memories of the building.

Dedication of Edgefield Cemetery honors those buried there



Brandon American Legion Post No. 278 Commander Charles Foslien read what each fold of the flag stands for.



Pastor Dennis Preston of Grace Lutheran Church in Brandon, read from the Bible and also led the singing during the dedication.



Jim Korkowski read the history of the cemetery as well as what is written on a plaque that was placed at the site in December 2005.



Brandon American Legion members Bob Reynolds, left, and Bud Greenquist foled the flag while the meaning of each fold was read aloud.



Members of the rifle squad at the dedication included, left to right: Ron Jacobson, John Lund, Bob Olson, Gaylin Croonquist and Steve Clarke.



Bob Piotrowski presented taps at the dedication.



The crowd which gathered for the dedication at Edgefield Cemetery sought out shade to escape the heat of the day while listening to the speakers at the ceremony.



An area Red Hatters program was held Aug. 2 at the Brandon Auditorium as part of the city's 125th celebration. The event drew a good crowd with representatives from many clubs in the area.



The line was long leading up to the serving area of the family pork chop feed held Aug. 2 at Chippewa County Park.



The lawn chairs were out and the picnic tables were full as people enjoyed a slightly cooler day than the pervious ones during the family pork chop feed.



Queen Mother of the Brandon Red Hatters, Marcia Bolin, welcomed everyone to the Red Hat event.



Kirstian Morgan entertained the crowd during the Aug. 3 picnic at Lions Park. She performed original songs she wrote herself.



Shade was the place to be as the music was enjoyed at the Lions Park picnic.



This year's Miss Mid-Summerfest contestants and the 2005 royalty performed a dance number as part of this year's pageant held Aug. 3.



Doing the judging for this year's pageant were royalty of the past. Left to right are: Stacy (Roers) Anderstrom, 1999 1st Attendant; Kathy (Thoennes) Koetter, 1993 Queen; Cindy (Starke) Elmquist, 1988 Queen; and Lisa (Bitzan) Swensrud, 1996 1st Attendant.



This year's Petite Princesses included front row, left to right: Kylee Hansen, Brett Peterson and Sadie Roers. Back row, Michelle Lund, Kennedy Lund and Carrigan Okerlund.

Former Mid-Summerfest royalty were plentiful at this year's pageant. They helped out with the event in many ways, including serving the cake and refreshments during intermission.





Julie (Bahe) Blanche, 1987 Queen, helped with the emcee duties.



Leah Christopherson, 2002 Queen, was part of the emcee team for the pageant.



2001 1st Attendant Janell Suchy, left, and 1987 1st Attendant Jennifer Starke White, took their turns at the podium during the pageant.



Samantha Schmitt during



Tiffany Lund and her entry in the 80's Style Show.



Breanna VanAlphen during the evening gown presentation.



Brittany Meissner in her evening gown.



Brandon alumni Joe Korkowski, left, and Paul Starke, entertained the crowd gathered for the all-school reunion Aug. 4 during a brief program.



Brandon Superintendent Mark Westby, left, formally accepted the Brandon Lions Les Anderson Scholarship plaque for the school. Presenting the plaque was Don Bakken, former Brandon High School principal. The plaque lists the recipients of the scholarship and is displayed in the entryway of the school.



The walls of the Brandon Auditorium were filled with memorabilia as part of the Brandon History Center.



Former Brandon School students and present and past staff filled the bleachers and chairs on the gym floor for a short program during the all-school reunion.



The barn dance Aug. 5 at John and Karen Lund's farm was a big hit with over 500 people attending throughout the evening.



Books filled with information on Brandon's history were perused by thousands at the History Center in the auditorium.



Kinsley Randt and Malorie Koep held the banner marking the beginning of the grand parade.



Brandon Mayor Doug Johnson.



Brandon American Legion Post No. 278 Grand Marshals Linda and Lydon Sletto.



Brandon American Legion Auxiliary 2006 Girls Stater Jocelyn Olson.



Members of the Brandon American Legion Post and Ashby American Legion Post handled the colors for the parade.



The Brandon Community Club float.



The Brandon Red Hat Club's float.



Brandon graduate Sarah Severson sang the National Anthem at the start of the parade.



The newly-crowned Brandon Mid-Summerfest royalty took their first parade ride. Left to right: 1st Attendant KayCee Bosek, Queen Siri Preston and 2nd Attendant Kayla Boesl.



Supporters of Mark Meuwissen, who is running for Douglas County Auditor/Treasurer.



Republican-endorsed candidate for Senate District 11, Bill Ingebrigtsen greeted parade watchers.



DFL-endorsed candidate for Representative District 11A Brian Boeddeker walked the parade route.



Alexandria Beetles mascot Ringo was mobbed by adoring young fans during the parade.



Republican Representative Distrit 11A incumbent and candidate Torrey Westrom and his family in the parade.



DFL Senate District 11 incumbent and candidate Dallas Sams in the parade.



Vern Lorsung, candidate for Douglas County Auditor/Treasurer.



Katie Simonet wearing a dress owned by her great-great grandmother. The 100-year-old dress was last in a Brandon parade 50 years ago.



Douglas County Sheriff candidate Dave Ahlquist's parade entry.



Douglas County Sheriff candidate Brad Brejcha handed out stickers during the parade.



Douglas County Sheriff candidate Tom Jacobson.



Douglas County Sheriff candidate Ralph Bradley.



Douglas County Sheriff candidate Troy Wolbersen.

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The Brandon High School Class of 1966.



The Brandon High School Class of 1952.



The Brandon High School Class of 1964.



The Brandon High School Class of 1996.



The Brandon High School marching band under the direction of Tom Helder.



The Brandon High School Class of 1951.



Members of the Brandon High School class of 1946.



The Brandon High School Class of 1961.



The Brandon High School Class of 1947.



The descendants of O.F. Olson.



The members of the "Sounds of Grace" from Grace Lutheran Church sang as they traveled the parade route.



Members of the area Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts.



The Knights of Columbus float.



One of the he Millerville Fire Department entries.



A sand volleyball tournament was part of the festivities.



The Chippewa Lutheran Church parade entry.



Douglas County Dairy Princesses Rebecca Roers, left, and Molly Hintzen. Also riding along was John Roers.



The Petite Princesses in the parade.



Brandon Postmaster Brenda Kuklok, Aug. 4, hand stamped the cancellation designed especially for Brandon's 125th anniversary.



Softball tournaments kept the fields busy.

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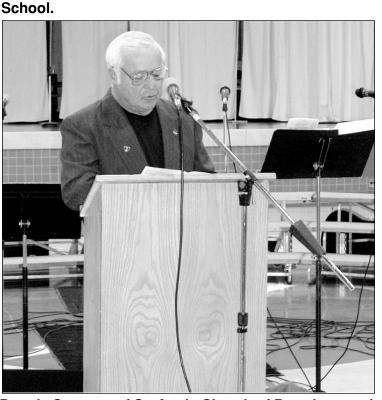
The Beard Contest entrants and winners, included, front row, left to right: Will Bettermann, Most Creative - Start Clean Shaven; Ron Buse; Brad Morgan, Longest - Existing Beard; Bruce Nelson, Oldest - Existing; Melvin Hanson; Chuck Carlson, Most Creative - Existing; Orv Schjei, Longest - Clean Shaven; and Bob Henneman, Burliest - Existing. Back row, Clark Baldwin, Skimpiest - Clean Shaven; Brian Luetgers, Youngest - Existing; Larry Englund, Ugliest - Existing; Ray Bjerkness, Neatest - Existing; Scott Morgan, Burliest - Clean Shaven; Karl Goehring, Neatest - Clean Shaven; and Jim Ondracek, Skimpiest - Existing.



The Brandon Lions Chicken Feed kept the tables full at Lions Park.



A large crowd attended the Community Church Service Aug. 6 at the Brandon



Dennis Stramer, of St. Ann's Church of Brandon, read one of the Scripture passages during the Community Worship Service.



Jim and Cheryl Augdahl judged the beard contest at the auditorium Aug. 5.



Mark Ranweiler kept the coals steaming during the Brandon Lions Chicken Feed.



A busy week ended with a presentation of "Hansel and Gretel" at Lions Park. The play was performed by The Theatre L'Homme Dieu Travelling Troupe. Over 100 people attended the performance.

Hear's What's Happenin'

Geri Burros - 948-2497 Ferlene Kniss - 948-2647

Mrs. Gordon Howe, Alexandria, son Jim, Houston TX and Mike Howe, Glenwood treated their aunt Mary Tetzlaff, to dinner at Ruby's in Ashby on Wednesday, July 26. Later visited Leo Howe at the nursing home. Leo was thrilled with the visit.

Ivy Anderson, Barrett, entertained Donna Johnson, Audrey Lerum, Mary Tetzlaff of Evansville, and several other friends at Elk Lodge to celebrate her 60th birthday.

An open-house, Saturday, July 22, honored Elnora Godwin on her 90th birthday. (Longevity!) Family attending were from Knoxville, Texas, LaCross, Wisconsin, Bemedji, Eagle Bend, Gull Lake, Henning, Montevideo, and Ashby plus friends from

New Brighton, Brooklyn Center and Evansville. We wish this lady a very Happy Birthday!

Marian Reine celebrated her birthday, Friday, July 28 in the Southview dining room. Guests included, Irene Enderson, Erdahl, Bernie Olson and Brenda Risbrudt, Ashby, Gloria Rezac, Breckenridge, Madeline Anderson, Barrett, and Chris Lindquist, Champlain, and friends from Southview. It was a fun-filled afternoon.

Nancy Griese, Aurora, SD was a guest of her niece, Janice and Lyle Olson the week of July 24. Nancy visited Dorothy Kammerer a couple days and the two women gave the keyboard, piano and organ a workout. They played for the Southview residents

on Tuesday and the Crestview residents, Thursday.

The Southview residents are such an active and important part of our community. We are saddened to hear that the owners of Southview have given notice that they are converting all the apartments into an assisted living complex and increasing the rent on all units by 75 percent whether or not the residents should need assistive living. This increase takes effect October 1.

Galea Jacobson and Nathan spent the first week in August visiting Harlan & Geri Burros. The things that Nathan enjoyed the most was watching the hunting dogs being trained at Dale & Corrine Stinton's and when Paul Lundeen graciously offered us a tour of his unusual "elevator home". In fact, Nathan told his mother that if anything ever happened to her, "I'm going to go live with Paul." Should we warn Mr. Lundeen?

Last week at Long Lake

Lodge, someone noticed a finy toad sitting in the corner. When they went to remove it, it was found to be a "fake". Someone had left a little pet for Carol Johnson who is known for her aversion to wee toads!

A group of about 25 local

folks attended the race at Cedar Lakes the weekend of August 5-6. It's an annual event for them so they must enjoy it.

"What's Happenin'" at your house? We'd love to



Douglas County Fair Daily Schedule

Monday, August 14

1-7 p.m. - Entry and judging of 4-H non-livestock exhibits begins. (Check 4-H exhibit schedule)

5 p.m. - Pet judging (Erickson Pavilion).

6:30 p.m. - Cat judging (Erickson Pavilion).

Tuesday, August 15

Open Class Entry Day (all divisions)

8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Wednesday, August 16

Judging Day (all open class)

4-H Entry & Judging: Check 4-H Schedule

Thursday August 17

Thursday, August 17 8 a.m. - Gates open for admis-

9 a.m. - KXRA Open Line (4-H Lunch Stand).

1 p.m. - Magel's M.C.M. Carnival operating on The Midway. 1 p.m. - Helicopter rides.

6 p.m. - Retirement of Colors - Millerville American Legion

Post 527 (Grandstand). 6 p.m. Demolition Derby (Grandstand), Adults 13 and older, \$7; Students, 7-12, \$4; Under

7, free. 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. - Demonstrations of Yesteryear (Johnson

Building).
7 p.m. - Sheriff's K-9 Demon-

stration (East bus garage). 7 & 7:30 p.m. - 4-H Arts In (4-H Centennial Stage).

9 p.m. - Johnny Holm (Runestone Center).

U.S. Savings bond drawings. Registration and drawings at Runestone Center West Arena each day. Need not be present to win

Friday, August 18

Heritage Storytelling (Schedule posted in Johnson Building).

KIDS DAY - Magel Shows operating on Midway. Prices on most rides reduced from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. for kids age 12 & under who buy their tickets at the grandstand ticket window.

10:30 a.m. - Antique tractor area Lego Bot Demonstration - 4-H Building.

1 p.m. - Helicopter rides
2-5 p.m. & 6:30-9:30 p.m. Demonstrations of Yesteryear

(Johnson Building).
3 p.m. - Runestone Rockettes
(4-H Centennial Stage).

5 p.m. - Two bicycles given away to children ages 4 through 12 (RCC). (Tickets for drawing at

entry gate or fair office.). 6 p.m. Demolition Derby (Grandstand), Adults 13 and older, \$7; Students, 7-12, \$4; Under

7, free.
6 p.m. - Retirement of Colors-Brandon American Legion Post 278 (Grandstand).

6 p.m. - Schutz Tae Kwon Do (4-H Centennial Stage).

7 & 7:30 p.m. - 4-H Arts-In (2 shows) (4-H Centennial Stage). 7 p.m. - Douglas County Sheriff's K-9 Demonstration (East bus

U.S. Savings bond drawings. Registration and drawings at Runestone Center West Arena each day. Need not be present to win.

Saturday, August 19

Senior Citizen's Day - Senior Treat Day: Senior citizens can pick up their treat coupons at the senior citizen booth in the Heritage Building. Treats will be served between 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. at the 4-H food stand.

Handicapped Citizen's Day - Handicapped Treat Day: handicapped citizens can pick up their treat coupons at the senior citizen booth in the Heritage Building. Treats will be served between 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. at the 4-H food stand.

Heritage Storytelling (Schedule posted in Johnson Building) 7 a.m. - Registration for Open Class Horse Show

8 a.m. - Open Class Horse Show (Horse Arena)

9 a.m. - 4-H Auction of meat animals and poultry (Erickson Pavilion).

KIDS DAY - Magel Shows operation on Midway. Prices on most rides reduced from 1 to 5 p.m. for kids age 12 & under who buy their tickets at the grandstand ticket window.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Fun-n-Games for Youth (4-H building).

11 a.m. - Dennis Murphy (4-H Centennial Stage).

11:30 a.m. - Pork chop feed sponsored by Douglas County Pork Producers Assoc. (East Erickson Building).

Noon to 4 p.m. - "Kids I.D." done free by the Douglas County Sheriff's Department (At the Command Post East of Grandstand).

12 & 12:30 p.m. - 4-H Arts In (4-H Centennial Stage).

1 p.m. - All open class premium checks ready (Fair office).
1 p.m. - Helicopter rides.

1 p.m. - Vintage Car Club; pa-

rade of vintage cars through fair-grounds.

1 p.m. - Flower Arranging Con-

test in front of Crops & Horticulture Building.

1 p.m. - Sweet Adelines (4-H

Centennial Stage). 1:30 p.m. - Turtle Race/Bicycle Give-away sponsored by Bosek Fisheries/Alexandria Properties (Erickson Building).

2:30 p.m. - Cullens Family (4-H Centennial Stage).

3 p.m. - 4-H State Fair Meeting (Runestone Building).

4 p.m. - Coin Hunt, ages 6-12, West Arena parking lot.

4:45 p.m. - Two bicycles given away to children ages 4 through 12. (Runestone Center) (Tickets for drawing at entry gate or Fair office).

5 p.m. - Harmony Engineers (Runestone Center).

6 p.m. - WISSOTA Racing (Grandstand).

6 p.m. - Retirement of Colors-Kensington American Post 268 (Grandstand).

6:30 p.m. - Harmony Engineers (Runestone Center).

 $7~\rm p.m.$ - Douglas County Sheriff's K-9 Demonstration (East bus garage).

8:30 p.m. - Harmony Engineers (Runestone Center).

U.S. Savings bond drawings. Registration and drawings at Runestone Center West Arena each day. Need not be present to

Sunday, August 20

Wristband rides in afternoon. No activity until 10 a.m.

Heritage Storytelling (Schedule posted in Johnson Building).

11 a.m. - 4-H Round Robin Showmanship (Erickson Pavilion).

Noon to 3 p.m. and 4 to 7 p.m. - Demonstrations of Yesteryear (Johnson Building).

Noon to 4 p.m. - "Kids I.D." done free by the Douglas County Sheriff's Department (At the Command Post east of the grandstand).

1 p.m. - All open class premium checks ready (Fair office).

1-5 p.m. - Buy wristband at Grandstand ticket window and ride most mechanical rides at Magel Shows, all ages.

1 p.m. - Helicopter rides.

1 p.m. - Decades later (4-H Centennial Stage).

2 p.m. - Schmidt Pedal Pull, Kids and Adults (Erickson Pavilion) Registration at 1 p.m.

2 & 2:30 p.m. - 4-H Arts In (4-H Centennial Stage).

2 p.m. - Pioneer Power Tractor parade through fairgrounds.
3 p.m. - 4-H Presents (4-H Cen-

tennial Stage).

4 p.m. - 4-H premium checks

ready (4-H office).

5 p.m. - Douglas County Sheriff's K-9 Demo (East bus garage).

5 p.m. - Livestock released.
6 p.m. - Tractor and Truck Pu

6 p.m. - Tractor and Truck Pull (Grandstand). 6 to 10:30 p.m. - Buy wristband

and ride most mechanical rides at Magel Shows, all ages, Grandstand ticket window. 6 p.m. Retirement of Colors -

Alexandria American Legion Post 87 (Grandstand).

7 p.m. - 4-H and Open Class Exhibits released.

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By Bud Greenquist

West Douglas County Area History

News items reprinted from the Brandon Echo.

More news from February 20, 1908: Angela Bohmer dead. Angela Bohmer, a sister of Jacob Tamble, after much suffering died Saturday evening, February 8th.

She was born in Triers, Germany, December 19, 1865, came to America 1880 and 1886 married Joseph Bohmer of Melrose, who died 1889 leaving her with a young son. After that time she spent most of her time with her parents at St. Joe, until their death when she and a younger brother bought out the other heirs.

She began suffering very much last fall and then had an operation performed. But this did not give the desired relief and finally death came as a welcome relief from long suffering. She leaves a son 20 years old.

The funeral took place from St. Joe Tuesday 11, 9 o'clock in the forenoon.

The apron social given in Dist. 72 last Saturday night was very well attended and a neat little sum of \$32.85 which will go towards furnishings for the schoolhouse. Miss Manda Rosengren is teaching in this district. Quite a number from Brandon took advantage of the beautiful evening and drove out.

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Change in Hardware Firm - J. C. Peterson of the hardware firm Knutson and Peterson, has sold his interest in the firm to his partner T. Knutson who will take his sons into partnership and the firm name will be Knutson & Sons. Mr. Peterson is yet undecided as to his future movements but will stay here for a month or two.

Mrs. Sophia Fagre Dead -Wednesday of last week, Mrs. Sophie Fagre, at the age of fifty-seven, died at her home east of Evansville. The cause of her death was lung fever. The funeral was held Monday from the Norwegian church. Rev. Sattre officiating. She was beloved and respected by all and the funeral was largely attended by her numerous friends showing her the last token of respect. Besides her husband, Johanes Fagre, she leaves four daughters all of whom are married and living in Dakota, and three sons, Ole, Hans and Peter. They were all at home for the funeral. The bereaved family have the sympathy of a host of friends.

Annual Disclosure of Tax Increment Districts for the Year Ended December 31, 2005

Tax Increment Financing

TIF District Name	District No. 1-2 (Housing District)	District No. 1-3 (Industrial Park)	District No. 1-4 (Housing District Phase II)			
Current net Tax Capacity	5,671	9,456	О			
Original net tax capacity	169	1,585	0			
Captured net tax capacity	5,502	7,871	0			
Principal and interest payments due during current year	55,902	6,910	0			
Tax increment received	7,875	9,251	0			
Tax increment expended	4,848	7,942	357			
Month and year of first tax increment receipt	July 2003	July 2004	July 2006			
Date of required decertification	12-31-2028	12-31-2012	12-31-2031			
Additional information regarding each district may be obtained from:						



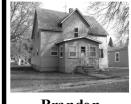
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as people staked out their territory so as to have a good vantage point to watch the entries in the parade roll by.

And as the minutes ticked by toward the appointed time to begin, there were hundreds and hundreds of people lined up on the streets ready to witness one of the best parades in the area.

They were not disappointed as over 135 units made their way along the route.

After the parade, it was time to take in the craft show, visit the petting zoo, attend the Grace Lutheran salad luncheon, grab a bite at the 4-H lunch stand in the auditorium, or just take a break.

The Brandon History Center was located in the auditorium throughout the celebration and had to extend its schedule to include a few hours on Aug. 6 because of the demand by people to view the excellent display of items from Brandon's history.

The Lion's Chicken Feed was once again a huge success with full tables, long lines and great tasting food.

The annual street dance drew a crowd as usual and was a great way to end a busy

The breakfast buffet at St. Ann's Catholic Church Aug. 6 kept the workers hopping as several hundred took in the eating opportunity.

Volleyball and softball tournaments kept the fields and courts busy Saturday and Sunday.

With most of the events in the past, the weekend finished with a delightful re-telling of the "Hansel and Gretel" story in the Lions Park with the Theatre L'Homme Dieu Traveling Troupe doing an excellent job of entertaining the young and old who showed up.

With all the great memories of this past weekend, it is important to keep in mind the events did not just happen but were the result of dozens of people taking their time and talent in putting them together for the enjoyment of many.

All in all, the City of Brandon should be proud of the events which took place to commemorate the city's 125th birthday because it was as close to perfect a celebration as could be desired and there are many, many people to thank for that.

READY TO PERFORM

Kids from all over Grant County have been rehearsing for their upcoming play "The Boy Who Became A Tree" by Owen Heibeg. Performances are August 11 and 12 at 7:30 p.m. and August 13 at 2 p.m. at Roosevelt Hall, Barrett. It's been a great way to spend their summer, especially since the theatre has air conditioning.



Members of the recently held Charger Volleyball Camp included: Claire Bedore, Brianna Bitzan, Hannah Olson, Hunter Plaster, Carli Steffenson. Middle row: Sarah Erickson, Tasmine Okerlund, Mackenzie Meier, Brianna Silbernick, Rachel Moreno, Kallee Hanson. Back row: Courtney Quinn, Mindy Anderson, Heather Strese, Megan Friedrich, Emily Bedore, Claire Hobbs.

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by Saturday, Aug. 12 if you're planning to attend.

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