The Gary Legion and Auxiliary held their annual Baseball/Softball Benefit, Friday, August 21 at the Legion Hall. Over one hundred people enjoyed a pork loin supper. Laurie Kallhoff and Maita Mueller spoke on behalf of the softball program, introducing coaches and presenting a t-shirt to Jim Thorpe as a great fan. Ricki Kallhoff reflected on her years in the softball program and what it meant to her.

Jim Stone talked about the boys’ program and introduced the coaches. A table was set up with trophies and news clippings of the season.

Ten names were drawn for $50 cash prizes. Jim Stone thanked all for their support of the baseball and softball programs and the Legion members for their work in preparing the meal and making it successful.
Allan Leaf Lovaas
April 5, 1931 - August 9, 2015

Allan Leaf ‘Al’ Lovaas, age 84, passed away August 9, 2015, at his home in Hot Springs, SD.

Allan was born April 5, 1931, in Toronto, SD, to Christian and Myrtle (Leaf) Lovaas. He grew up in Gary, SD, the oldest of three children. Al loved all things nature and sports, taking part in basketball, football, and baseball. He earned his Bachelor’s degree from South Dakota State College (University), and later completed his Masters of Science in Fish and Wildlife Management at Montana State College (University). Al proudly served in the United States Army from 1953 - 1955. During his service, he was stationed in Germany and was able to visit distant relatives in Norway.

Al met his wife, Nancy Ellen Collins, after returning from the service. They were married on June 6, 1958, in Red Lodge, MT. Together they shared a deep love of the outdoors and spent their honeymoon at Yellowstone National Park.

Al’s career as a wildlife biologist led the family to many locations, including Canada, Montana, South Dakota, Nebraska, and Alaska. He spent most of his career with the National Park Service, including 6 years at Wind Cave National Park. Al was the Regional Chief Scientist in Nebraska and later, Alaska, and authored several scientific publications.

Al and Nancy had a son, Erik, born in Rapid City, SD, in 1970. Together they fostered Erik’s affection for animals and nature. After retiring from his post in Alaska in 1993, Al and Nancy knew they wanted to return to the Black Hills. Al had a passion for: league bowling, golfing, hunting, fishing, and fly tying. He was baseball and football fan, and enjoyed classical music, crossword puzzles, and was an avid reader. Al volunteered with Meals on Wheels for many years, and later at the Hot Springs Senior Center, where he spoke fondly of the friends he made there.

Allan is survived by his son, Erik (Jennifer) Lovaas of San Francisco, CA; a sister, Ruth (Ordean) Nelson of Howard Lake, MN; a brother, Richard (Shirley) Lovaas of Sioux Falls, SD. He also had many nieces, nephews, grand-nieces, and grand-nephews. Al was preceded in death by Nancy, his wife of 56 years.

Memorial services will be held 11:00 a.m., Thursday, August 20, 2015, at the Hot Springs American Legion Post 71 with Pastor Mark Crossman officiating.

In lieu of flowers a memorial has been established in Al’s name to benefit the Hot Springs Senior Center.

Blessed be his memory.

Chamberlain McColley’s Funeral Home

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Bruce A. Kenyon
February 14, 1959 – August 17, 2015

Bruce A. Kenyon, age 56, of Hayti, SD, passed away on Monday, August 17, 2015, at the hospital in Watertown, SD. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 20, 2015, at the First United Methodist Church in Watertown. Rev. Sara Nelson will officiate. Music will be provided by Lesa Dahl as organist with Galen Beakart as soloist. The family is requested to meet at the church by 10:00 a.m. for a prayer service.

Visititation will be at the Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel on Wednesday from 5 to 7 p.m. and prior to services at the church on Thursday.

Burial will be at Grandview Cemetery in Gary, SD. Honorary pallbearers will be the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, Burton (Ronae) Tesch, Bruce’s great nieces and nephews, and his friends and family. Active pallbearers will be Bruce’s nieces and nephews: Troy Kenyon, Heather Homan, Angie Keimig, Betty Bray, Julie Al-Rai, Eugene Keimig, Danielle Kenyon, Cody Kenyon, Lori Freee, Megan Houck, Mallory Houck, Nathan Sease, and Eric Sease.

Bruce was born February 14, 1959, in Clear Lake, SD, to Harold and Helen (Walter) Kenyon. He graduated from Gary High School in 1977. After graduation, Bruce worked at Bob’s Standard Station. Bruce was also enlisted in the National Guards for six years. He then drove school bus for Gary School District for several years.

On October 18, 1985, Bruce married Dawn Houck in Gary, SD. The couple then moved to the Hayti area where he started working for Burton Tesch Farms, and worked for the past 30 years. Bruce also had his own acreage that he maintained.

He was an avid member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Rebekah Lodge, and the Cantons, and he was also Grand Master for two years. Bruce enjoyed his draft horses, doing farm work, and participating in rodeo with his son. He loved the time he spent with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Bruce is survived by his loving wife, Dawn, of Hayti; two sons: Casey (Christina) Kenyon of Castlewood, SD, and Mark (Alyssa) Kenyon of Clear Lake, SD; one daughter, Amy Kenyon of Hayti; four granddaughters: Gracelynn, Celia, Sophia, and Clara; two brothers: Terry (Anita) Kenyon of Gary, and Dan (Theresa) Kenyon of Sioux Falls, SD; one sister, Joyce (Bob) Keimig of Gary; his great nieces and nephews; and one great-great nephew.

He is preceded in death by one son, Scott Peterson; his parents; two brothers: Melvin and Mark; and his mother-in-law, June Houck.

Blessed be his memory.

Ronald E. Lorenzen
August 5, 1941 to August 12, 2015

Ronald E. Lorenzen, age 74, passed away peacefully after a long battle with cancer, on August 12, 2015 at his home in Plymouth, MN. Memorial service was held Thursday August 20, 2015 at Washburn-McReavy Hopkins Chapel, Hopkins, MN with Rev. Bill officiating. Inurnment was Tuesday, August 25, 2015 at 10:30 AM at Fort Snelling National Cemetery.

Ron was born in Gary, SD to Edwin and LaVonne (Helmbolt) Lorenzen. He grew up in Gary Area and graduated from Gary High School in 1959. After graduation, he enlisted in the Army and was stationed in Germany from 1960 to 1962. He was honorably discharged in 1963.

Ron was united in marriage to Sharon Stans on June 25, 1966. They were blessed with two children, Robert and Lori. Ron was employed at Graco, Inc. and retired after 40 years in 2003. Ron loved spending time with his family, camping, fishing and hunting. He leaves behind his loving wife Sharon of 49 years, son Robert (Mary Jo) Lorenzen, daughter Lori (Rich) Lilledahl, and grandchildren Logan Lorenzen, Carter, Caden and Kacie Lilledahl.

Grateful for having shared his life are his 8 brothers and 5 sisters. Lester Lorenzen of Holdrege, NE; Shyrlee Hansen of Dawson, MN; Dale Lorenzen of Gary, SD; Dennis (Barb) Lorenzen of Astoria, SD; Janice (Frank) Remerowski of Marshall, MN; Gary (Belinda) Lorenzen of Kranzburg, SD; Karen (James) Keimig of Gary, SD; Linda (Curt) Strampe of Chandler, MN; Gale (Corinne) Lorenzen of Twin Brooks, SD; Marlin (Margo) Lorenzen of Brookings, SD; Marlene (Neil) Schumacher of Gary, SD; Terry Lorenzen of Sioux Falls, SD; Donald Lorenzen of Fargo, ND, many nieces and nephews and family and friends. Ron will be deeply missed and his memory will be forever in our hearts.

He is preceded in death by his parents Edwin and LaVonne Lorenzen and one brother-in-law Charles Hansen.

Blessed be his memory.

Washburn-McReavy Hopkins Chapel

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Annual Meeting
Gary Historical Association
October 20, 2015  7:00 pm

The annual meeting of the Gary Historical Association will be held at 7pm in the Gary Fire Department Community Room, Tuesday, October 20, 2015. All GHA members are invited to attend and vote for board members for the coming year. If you would like to run for the board, contact Ron Stangeland (605-695-8722) or Ellen Schulte (605-272-5295). Or, if you know someone who would make a good board member, encourage them to contact Ron or Ellen. The board meets once a month on the third Tuesday. Serving on the Board of Directors for the Gary Historical Association is an interesting and worthwhile effort that benefits the entire Gary vicinity.
Memories of the way we were... 1945-46


Middle row, L-R: John Jensen, Ruth Peden, Marlys Davis, Louise Fricka, Betty Severkrupepp, Barbara Walters, Buck Asher

Front row, L-R: Leanna Hutchings, Elaine Benner, Ethel Mount, Patsy Henning, Joan Mortensen, Eleanor Enge Seth, Joan Miller, Jean Goblish

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I have one thing to say about this month...softball is done! Woo hoo! Don't get me wrong, I love it, but I do love those nights that we can just relax after a full days worth of work. Gary Legion rocks!

So as I sit here at my desktop in my office with a big black coffee laced with 3 tablespoons of vanilla cappuccino, all I’m wanting to do today is stay awake since I didn’t get much sleep last night.

I also want to share something about my daughter...if you have a child with health issues, I know how it is. Ron and I try not to be all about work here at the farm all the time. Sometimes we get to do something fun.

Last night, Maggie and I stayed up past our bedtimes, ate out, and even though it was at a sleep study clinic, we slept away from home. Here’s why we were there: Miss Maggie has dyspraxia, which gives her fine motor skills trouble. She shakes, she’s a little clumsy, she has a hard time getting words out and all of this makes her pretty frustrated. She also has trouble with sleep walking and night terrors. We think that if she would get enough good sleep, her dyspraxia wouldn’t be so pronounced.

What’s crazy about this whole thing, is out of nine kids she’s the only one with any health issues. It’s good, don’t get me wrong, but ever since she was little, she has had things wrong with her. As a baby, she couldn’t break down soy or dairy protein so she couldn’t have normal formula. She’d have breathing spells when she was little and was in and out of specialists offices in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. At three months old, she had a rigid scope down her throat and we were told that she had a tumor in her vocal chords. Thankfully they were wrong, but with a second scope they determined she had a Laryngeal Malaysia. That means that her larynx was too big for her body, but as the doctor patted my shoulder he said, it can be fixed but you won’t find a doctor to that will do surgery on a baby that young. “I know hers is a severe case” he said, “but if her airway were to be cut in surgery she’d be done. She’ll grow out of this by the time she’s two. And hey if she passes out, her larynx will relax and she’ll be fine.” SO, I took a little baby home that would get excited, her larynx would fall on her airway, she’d turn blue, start choking, throw up and right before she would pass out she’d somehow manage to relax. Up to seven times of this a day.

Can you believe we rolled the dice and had three more after her? LOL. But we handled it, just as we will figure out this whole sleep thing. She’s so smart, creative, funny and incredibly stubborn and she deserves to be at her best. Her sleep walking and night terrors start at about 10:30 PM lasting nearly all night. I feel like I’m on standby sleeping with one eye open each night making sure she’s okay.

Right before Christmas she tried crawling out our bay window with just a t shirt and shorts on and it was ten degrees outside. When we went on vacation this past June, our hotel had bumped us to the Presidential Suite. It had a living room, kitchen and 2 bathrooms. The four littles wanted to sleep in the living room on the pull out couch. We woke up to an open door (thank goodness the bar on the door had stopped her from leaving the room) but luckily Maggie was in the room, just not where we had put her.

With school starting, it would be nice to figure out what’s triggering this. Especially with her going into the first grade where they won’t have naptime anymore, which by the way, she would sleepwalk during them as well in Kindergarten and preschool.

So back to our night last night. We had to check into the study at 7:30 pm, we got there early and walked to a restaurant and got something to go. As we sat at a picnic table eating, we got to watch hot air balloons! Then we walked and found a park to play in a residential area. As the time drew near, Miss Maggie said, “Mom, is there going to be a lot of chords this time?” I told her yes, and that they don’t hurt just like when she’s had her EKG and when they put her under for her MRI. She’s used to it. It always tugs at a momma’s heartstrings when your kid has to have a procedure done. But we made it fun and we had a great nurse to boot.

But the best part of the night was when we got to watch a movie together, she laid in her bed, hooked up like a computer and I laid in the chair beside her. She asked if we could touch pointer fingers, me with my band aid finger (I had cut my finger pretty good) and she with her oxygen counter on her finger looking like ET. “Mom, I love you, travel buddy.” She said as we touched our fingers together and giggled in the darkness as her finger glowed red. She really is the bestest buddy, traveling or not.

Until next time hug those babies and grandbabies of yours extra tight!

Fairchild Farmgirl
Several hundred Sioux arrived at Fort Pierre to air their grievances with the new agent, Samuel Latta. The Indians told him they wanted no presents because Choteau, the previous agent, had been cheating their people "for a long time" and they refused to accept the annuities he was contracted to deliver.

This was the age old problem that Medill had attempted to correct a decade earlier -- the problem of thievery by the middle men. The Sioux condemned the Great Father's failure to keep his promises as expressed by Commissioner Mitchell (at Horse Creek), and later, by General Harney, and they served notice that friendly relations with the government were terminated.

The fears caused by Harney's strong threats of 1856 had faded in the intervening years, and the support Mitchell had promised to Frightening Bear in 1851 (and the assistance Harney had pledged to Bear's Rib and other chiefs he had designated at the start of 1856), never amounted to anything. Frightening Bear was dead, and the other 'paper chiefs' were scattered before the winds.

Sioux discontent grew as power wielded by the American Fur Company waned. The Choteau family was forced to sit and listen to his company being publicly criticized without the aid and comfort of his agent, Charles Galpin, who had joined the competition. Choteau's long domination of the agents assigned by Indian Office to the tribes of the upper Missouri had weakened, and within months, agent Latta would file charges against the AFC for illegal trade in whiskey, a charge he could not have made (or wouldn't have dared to make) thirty years earlier.

Latta told his superiors that by being beholden to the fur companies for transportation, shelter, interpreters, etc., the agents could neither correct the wrongs built into the system, nor long wear their facades as independents. Moreover, in the minds of the Indians, the Great Father was inextricably identified with the thieving agents.

Latta went on to report: "They (the agents) have involved the government in their speculation and schemes; they have enslaved the Indians, kept them in ignorance, taken from them year after year their pitiful earnings, in robes and furs, without giving them an equivalent."

S.J. Killoren notes: "The gravity of these charges can hardly be exaggerated." The entire annuity system was rotten to the core.

The Sioux, Cheyenne and Blackfeet put up a fierce defense of their homelands and the buffalo that roamed there. Historian Anne Helouise Able asked the question: "When Americans defend their homeland they're called patriotic. Why is it that Indians, are called savages?"

(continued in October issue, on page 7 & 8)
The Gary 14’s took second place at the league tournament in Bookings, SD. Pictured (front L to R) Chantel Unzen, Abigail Rangaard, Nicole Kamrath, Paige Kloos and Tiffini Stockman. Middle: Sabrina Stockman (coach), Sarah Ronne, Joy (of Volga), Morgan Cleveland, Julia Philipp, Regan Hansen and Mackenzie (of Volga). Back: Todd Stockman (coach), Tara Pederson, (coach) and Randy Kamrath (coach).

The Gary Legion 16 and under were first place winners at the Brookings tournament. Pictured (front L to R) Laurie Kallhoff (coach), Lauri Hopp, Camille Deslauries, Taylor TeGantvoort, Jenna Kockelman, Kara Fairchild and Emily Tomaszewski. Back L to R: Becca Bauman, Larlissa Kockleman, Haley Varcoe, Becca Kallhoff, Brook Bauman, Steph Prokop and Jerry Kockleman (coach).
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Thoughts to Ponder:
1- I used to eat a lot of natural foods until I learned that most people die of natural causes.
2- There are two kinds of pedestrians . . . The quick and the dead.
3- Life is sexually transmitted.
4- Healthy is merely the slowest possible rate at which one can die.
5- The only difference between a rut and a grave is the depth.
6- Health nuts are going to feel stupid someday, lying in hospitals dying of nothing.
7- Have you noticed since everyone has a cell phone these days no one talks about seeing UFOs like they used to?
8- Whenever I feel blue, I start breathing again.
9- All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism.
10- In the 60’s, people took acid to make the world weird. Now the world is weird and people take Prozac to make it normal.
11- How is it one careless match can start a forest fire, but it takes a whole box to start a campfire?

Muddled Meanderings in an Outhouse
~Bob Ross [1970 edition]

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Roses are red and violets are blue
Currants are good and gooseberries are too,
They are pretty to see along the path
But kind of rile the ladies’ wrath.
Cause, mini skirts and nylon hose
Don’t go well with thorns of the rose.

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Have questions or concerns? Let us find the facts.
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The Gary Historical Association must raise an additional $4,000 to complete the building to house the antique farm equipment and the donated fire truck from the Gary Volunteer Fire Department. This Machine Shed is necessary to protect the machinery from the weather and to have it on display for viewing by the museum visitors.

The City of Gary donated $10,000 (1/2 of the $20,000 required) to get the project started. Our goal is to raise the other half of the monies from individuals, organizations and businesses and we still have $4,000 to go. Many of you have donated and we appreciate your generosity. If you haven’t already donated, we are asking for your help to raise the remaining money. Please fill out the form below, write out a check and mail it to the Gary Historical Association, PO Box 83, Gary SD 57237.

A family can memorialize their family name on a leaf of the Donor’s Tree in the museum for a donation of $1000 or more. A donor can have an individual’s name etched on a leaf for $500. This is a way to let future generations remember our contributions to Gary History.

Please accept this challenge to match the city’s donation so we can complete the building. Since the GHA is a non-profit organization, your donation is a tax deduction on next year’s taxes. Please help us meet our goal.

GHA Board of Directors

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