



Shakopee  
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Please join us and bring a friend, if any of the following interests you.

- Sharing stories of Shakopee's past.
- Listening to stories of Shakopee's past
- Finding the answers to the questions you have.
- Reminiscing and telling stories of your past.
- Meeting new people or making a new friend.

*The Shakopee Heritage Society's*

*Spring Membership Meeting will be held*

*April 21<sup>st</sup> 2012*

*At the Shakopee Library*

*Downstairs Meeting room at 1:00 PM.*

We hope to see you there!

**Editor's notes** By Don Wagner

- A. *Our guest speaker for this meeting will be David Regan on his father's drug store the Scott County Drug at First Avenue and Holmes. Now a sports store***
- B. *Pat Ploumen has the unenviable job of tracking down who has and who has not paid their yearly dues and then following up with them, so help make sure you have paid your dues and save her more work. This unhappily will be the last newsletter for any unpaid members***
- C. *Joe Collins, our President, is spending much time and his professional skills working with the City of Shakopee on the Pond site/interpretive site/ Park. That is a very time consuming project and we wish him all the luck we can muster, but much of it we can not help him with. Joe will bring us all up to date at the meeting.***
- D. *A longtime member of the SHS, Winnie Anderson passed away Saturday February 18<sup>th</sup> at Saint Gertrude's Health and Rehabilitation Center. See colored picture page***
- E. *Don't forget that we have a website [WWW.shakopeeheritage.org](http://WWW.shakopeeheritage.org). Check it out when you can. It is well worth your time.***
- F. *Members, who need a ride to get to the membership meeting please call Pat Ploumen at 952-445-2002 and she will make arrangements for your ride.***
- G. *An excursion with some local tours in neighboring Jordan, including lunch at the Feed Mill Inn, is being planned. The date, time, and more information will be presented at our membership meeting.***

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***We have not visited our old friend Daniel Storer lately so here are a few excerpts from 150 years ago the spring of 1862.***

March 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> 1862. Snowed the most of the time. There is now over three feet of snow on the ground on the level.

March 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>. The rebels got up the old US ship of war "Merrimack" at Norfolk. Virginia where she was sunk by our forces last spring, and cased her with iron. They then came down to our blockading fleet near fortress Monroe and had a good navel battle, sinking two of our wooden vessels. Our iron clad "Monitor" came along just then and drove her back. Had she got out she would probably have cleared the entire southern coast of wooden vessels.

13<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>. Warm and pleasant. I rode down to Nathans the 14<sup>th</sup>, the first time since I was sick.

21<sup>st</sup>. Warm. Was down to Mr. Sherrard's to dinner today. Wilder and family were here visiting the eve. Had a good time fiddling.

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Our Speaker from the January meeting was Tom Melchior. This picture shows tom and the books he has authored. I missed that meeting but I hear Great things about tom and the meeting.

**Thanks Tom**



Rose Herzog This months Meet our Members Selection. This picture was probably taken about 20 years ago.



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***A friend to all she will be missed by all. Please remember Winnie in your prayers.***

**Daniel Storer** *Continued from page 2*

April 7th to 9th. The S. B. Allen from St. Peter went down the river the 9th, the first boat of the season. 10<sup>th</sup>. The Antelope commenced running today. A good deal of fighting is going on down the Mississippi now. Commander Foote commands the gunboats and Gen. Grant the land forces.

25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>. Cold. The water is higher now than it got last year. It has got up into Thomas A. Holmes dwelling house.



This picture was taken in Shakopee before 1900 but after 1860. We do not have an exact date of the photo. The person on far right is believed to be the Indian agent at that time. I tried to buy this photo on an E-bay auction, but it went for several hundred dollars. I of course lost the bid. We can use this copy of the photo for our own personal purposes but we can not publish it or use it to make money. We will keep it with our photos but mark it not for legal use.

Don Wagner



***What is this building?  
Where was it located?***



**Who knows what this buildings last uses were?**

Also an old building with multiple uses over the years, it will have fond memories for all those who used it for its final purpose.

## **Notable Events 100 years ago, 1912** by Eileen Schmitz

**1912 was a leap year.**

**The RMS Titanic, a passenger liner sank in the North Atlantic Ocean in April, 1912**

**The Girl Scouts of the United States was founded by Juliette Low in 1912**

**Oreo Cookie, a sandwich cookie was developed by Nabisco Company in 1912**

**Summer Olympic Games were held in Stockholm Sweden in 1912. Jim Thorpe a Native American from Oklahoma won the pentathlon and decathlon.**

**The Dixie Cup was invented in 1912**

**Two states, New Mexico and Arizona were admitted to the Union in 1912. New Mexico as the 47<sup>th</sup> state and Arizona was the 48<sup>th</sup> state.**

**The most powerful volcanic eruption of the 20<sup>th</sup> century erupts on the Alaska Peninsula in June of 1912.**

**The first Japanese Cherry Blossom Trees were planted in Washington D.C. in 1912**

**Meteorite explodes in Holbrook, Arizona.**

**Woodrow Wilson was elected president in November 1912, beating William Howard Taft.**

**Three golf pro's were born in 1912, Ben Hogan, Sam Snead and Byron Nelson**

**Perry Como, Sonja Henie and Gene Kelly were all born in 1912.**

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## **Meet Our Members:**

By Eileen Schmitz

### **Rose Herzog**

was born in 1927 at home in St. Joe, MN, Scott County which is about three miles east of Jordan, MN. At that time there was a Catholic Church located there and the District School where her father taught the upper four grades was next to the church. The district school was a two room school house. The home that the family lived in was also located close to the church and school. Rose's father was her teacher when she was in elementary school. All of the buildings in St. Joe's are gone now and all that remains is the St. Joe's Catholic Cemetery.

Rose was the second youngest of ten children. Her sister Agnes Searles and her brother Bill also are residents of Shakopee. Rose attended all of her eight grades in the district school in St. Joe's and then went on to High School in Jordan, MN. through her junior year. The family moved to Shakopee her senior year.

After graduation from High School, Rose was employed in the laboratory at Rahr Malting Company for nine years. After the nine years at Rahr, Rose decided to go on to school. She attended the three year nursing program at St. Mary's in Rochester, MN. She found employment after graduation from Nursing School at St. Mary's Hospital for several years and some time after that Rose and a friend decided to see more of the United States so they opted to go San Francisco, California. Thankfully before they left for San Francisco they were hired to work at the VA Hospital in San Francisco. Rose worked there for one and half years. After coming back to Minnesota she found employment at the VA Hospital in Minneapolis, MN where she worked until retirement. She made her home in Shakopee and commuted to work.

Her father, Bernard Herzog and mother Rose Hoeschen were both born in Stearns County, in the St. Rosa, MN Millwood Township area. They were married in Stearns County and in 1926 they came to St. Joe, MN where her father was the district school teacher. Her father went to school in Wisconsin for his teacher's certificate and also attended St. John's College for his music education. After teaching in District Schools for many years Mr. Herzog was elected the Superintendent of the County Schools in Scott County. He was also the music director for the Church of St. Mark in Shakopee for many years. Her mother, Rose, was a talented seamstress, sewing most of the children's clothing.

Rose's ancestry is German and Irish. Her paternal grandfather farmed in Stearns County and her maternal grandfather operated a store in Stearns County. Her Grandfather Herzog's family is from Germany and her mother's grandmother was from Ireland. Rose thinks that her great grandmother worked as a housekeeper for a Bishop but isn't sure of that information.

Rose and her family have close ties to the Shakopee area and have enriched our community. She has been a valued member of our society for many years and we thank her for her dedicated service.

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**Do you know someone who is interested in local history and Shakopee's past?  
Ask them to join us at the SHS or just attend a meeting as a guest to see what we are  
doing, or have them drop in on a board meeting at the library upstairs meeting room.**

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