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## Country School Reunion June 30th ~ 1:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

Reineke Park, at the north side of Milaca



## Memories of Justin Krominga:

We lived on what most people may remember as the Emil

Anderson farm on County Road 153. It was one of the farms with a long driveway. We lived north of the Samuelson's with the Martinson's between us. Joanne Martinson was one grade ahead of Allen and me. I walked to school most of the time but since Samuelson's lived farther away, Arnold usually brought Allen and they would pick me up at the end of our long driveway or along the way especially during the winter. (a com-

ment here from Ruth - - I remember my parents talking about how bundled up Justin was during the wintertime he would literally roll down that hill in their driveway) Beryl Martinson was one of our teachers so she would bring Joanne and there were no others boys of our age that went to district 25 from that direction.

The teacher while I was in the "big room" was Lyle Smith and he was terrific.

One year, besides the usual garter snakes, there were lots of red bellied snakes and all the rest of the kids thought they were poisonous. Of course Allen (Sam) and I knew better and we would just pick them up to show everybody they were harmless but I don't think we ever convinced anyone else, especially not the girls.

Joanne Martinson was a great friend and was by far our closest neighbor so we played a lot together. She had a Shetland pony and we farmed with horses, one of which I rode a lot bareback. Joanne often came on her pony and we rode horse together. I think my horse was actually Prince but I called him "butcher knife" because he had such a sharp backbone; not a lot of fun to ride bare-



1955 FFA KC trip: Allen Samuelson, Walter Lundberg, Jerry Youngberg, Ron Kasper, Justin Krominga, Mr. Ecklund

back! One time I put 3 or 4 garter snakes in the handle bars of Joanne's bike, told her there was something wrong with her bike, convinced her to look into one end of the bars while I blew into the other end and the snakes came

flying out!!! I do not believe I ever apologized so if she comes to the reunion, I will finally do so. I was completely in love with Joanne but she was a whole year older than me (a generation gap in those days) so I never even dated her in high school. Also her dad Walter gave me my haircuts with just a hand clippers which pinched like the dickens.

We moved from Hayland to Bogus Brook

during March of my  $5^{\text{th}}$  grade year.

#### Ruth Bolz Oss, District 25, years ending 47-55:



Little Room teachers I can remember were Beryl Martinson, Dorothy Gaust, and Mrs. Johnson.

Mrs. Johnson had two sons. One was named Milo. Both sons went to MHS. Mrs. Johnson sticks in my mind because the Johnsons raised chickens on their farm. We bought

laying hens from her. A red hen was in the mix with sort of checkered feathers. She became my pet. We called her Check the Chick. I would go out to the field north of our house and pick up sod clods. Check would follow behind and eat the worms. She was quite tame and would squat so I could pick her up. I really loved that chicken. We made quite a team.

When I was in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade some kids from district 46 started coming to 25. There was this boy who was in 4<sup>th</sup> grade that I sat behind. He was interesting and I kind of liked what I saw.

After little room the teachers were Mrs. Williamson and Nate Sahlstrom, there were probably more but I don't remember who. Mrs. Wilkins would come from the little room to lead Music.

One Christmas program I remember had Christmas songs and a Nativity play. We had a play that involved people talking about the new Pastor who came to town. I walked to the window and said here he comes now and look at all those children: 1-2-3-4-5. I guess it was too realistic because little Butchy Broberg ran from the audience, jumped up on stage, and ran to the window to see them all. That brought down the house and we never did finish the play. It was time for Santa.

I can honestly say I would have liked my own children to have had the experience of country school. We got a great education and I got a great husband out of the deal. That boy I sat behind in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade has been my husband for the last 51 years. Who could ask for anything more!

PS. You can call me Ruth, you can call me Ruthy, but please please don't call me Ruthann.

#### 1960 Hayland School Reunion:

The Haylanders put on a reunion big enough to stop the trains. They showed up in Droves. Members of the 1901 original class were present. The students from 1901 to 1935 were listed. The teachers were listed. A dozen of the for-



Twelve Teachers present at the 1960 Reunion See identities in Newpaper Article on next page

mer teachers were present. Many of us still remember Rodney Sahlstrom as our HS Chemistry teacher. Well, he had an ele-

mentary school teacher life before HS. Bill told about a StCloud State Teachers College Physics professor who gained his skills teahing in a country school. Thet professor, Philip Youngner was still there to see me through my (John Oss) studies. He was extremely perceptive of when I needed help. My God Father, Ted Telander was an elementary school teacher at Whitney Brook. He retired as head of adult corrections in the state of Minnesota. He was especially good handling the hard

discipline cases. Raymond Peterson who taught in district 46, was a WWII veteran who applied great sensitivity in bringing Dora Fisher, later Hatch on following the trama of burns from a house fire. He retired as Superintendent of Princeton HS. We, like the generations of students before us, were tremendously blessed by our country school system. The schools were managed by those with greatest visibility, the parents and tax payers withing just a few miles of the schools. Good productive schools were the result.



## Hayland School Reunion Draws Huge Crowd





the Hayland School District 1156 on Sunday, July 2, attending the 60th anniversary reunion of the organizing of the school, which was formerly known as District 25. A potluck dinner was served at noon.

A short program was held in the afternoon with Lyle Rasmussen, a former student there, leading the singing, with Irene (Norberg) Swenson, a former teacher, at the organ. Loren Young gave a "The School Master's reading, Guests." The history of the first 35 years was also given, and the group enjoyed singing and guitar music by the Tonander sisters, Ethel Mattson, Grace Samuelson and Margaret Anderson.

Grandma Broberg, being the only living parent of the first pupils of the school, was presented with a beautiful brooch. There were fifteen pupils in attendance when the school first was begun and seven of them were present at the reunion, but there are thirteen of them still living. Thirteen | Smith of Cumberland, Wis.

Over 400 persons gathered at teachers and 110 former pupils registered, Mrs. John Broberg, Sr., Mrs. Fred Rasmussen, Mrs. N. N. Hardy and Mrs. Oscar Ausdahl, pioneer mothers, were presented with a corsage. Oscar Swanson, a pioneer father, was also given a boutonniere.

> school was given ten dollars to get some playground equipment and also a little remembrance was given to Naomi Rasmussen, who had fallen a short time before and was in the St. Cloud Hospital. Miss Rasmussen had helped to plan the reunion and had spent considerable time and work on it.

> Some of those from out of state who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Chris Olsen, Seattle, Wash.; Samuel Hardy and son, Robert; Dewey Broberg and family, Fred Broberg and family, all of Chicago, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Art Dranselka, Wayne, Nebraska; Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Baker and grandson, Chuckie, Kansas City, Mo.,; and Harry

Softball and horseshoe pitching was enjoyed after which ice cream and cake and coffee was served. Many of those present said they hoped the occasion would be repeated next year.

Shown in the picture above onthe left are, front row left to A collection was taken and the right: Dorothy Gause, Irene Nordberg Swendon, Janie Bliss, Ethel Carlson Erickson, and Jeanette Walters. Top row left to right are Marcia Phillips Hatch, Sophie Mollan Broberg, Ravena Boles Anderson, Viva Kelley Bratt, Edna Swedberg Rasmussen, Alice Johnson Borncamp and Stanley former These are Sahlstrom. teachers, who attended the reunion.

> Above in the picture on the right are seven of the first pupils who attended the school when it first was organized. They are, front row, Erick Broberg, Carl Broberg and Norman Johnson. Top row are William Anderson, Eni Broberg Struck, A. Henry Anderson and Reuben Johnson.

The Times published an article with details. They included a picture with Henry (Hank) Anderson, and Erick Broberg, among others. These men were part of the Hayland backbone that was active in the 50s. The founders of the school of 1901 were shown wise for the schools they established. We, of succeeding generations, can take lessons from the experience of our community. Perhaps we can apply those lessons in

our times. It will likely be unpopular to work at the application of those lessons, but our kids can reap the benefits of our efforts.

## School History

The first line of John Whittier's poem "In School Day's" quote, "Still sits the school house by the road." We feel this is appropriate for this school. In looking over the records of the Teachers and Clerks Book we find the following information that we hope will be of interest to you.

There were two school houses in the beginning. One was known as the Ames School, which was located on the Bill Krejci farm. The other one, the present Hayland School. The first school board was Alfred Johnson, Pete Larson and E.J. Ames. There were 10 members present at the first Annual meeting. They purchases one acre of land on which to build a school from Ralph Goff. Taxes voted in 1900-1901 were \$590.00 and in 1901-1902 were \$255.00. The value of the schoolhouse and site was \$912.40 the seats and desks \$71.90 the school apparatus was \$80.00, the text

books was \$31.49, and Indebetness was \$1042.00.

The first school session opened October 20, 1901. The teacher in the Ames school was Pearl Dehart. The pupils were Henry and Oril Ames, later a family by the name of Stanchfield attended this school. This School remained open only a couple of years. Ruth Whitford was the first teacher in the Hayland School. Both teachers salaries were \$30.00 per month, and both schools had 4 month terms. The first pupils in Hayland School were Arthur, William, Henry and Phillip Anderson, Eni, Erick and Carl Broberg, Clarence, Edward, Reuben and Norman Johnson, Ella and Olga Harstad, George and Oscar Onstad.

In 1904-1905 they started a 6 month school term, then in 1906-1907 they started a 8 month school term which continued through the years of 1935-1936. April 13, 1907 they voted to build a new two room school, they purchased another acre of land from Ralph Goff for \$20.00. In 1914 they built a barn on the school ground which cost \$116.41. August 12, 1915 a part of this district organized into District 48. In 1916 there were 56 voters, at this time another part of this district organized into District 46. 1917-1918 the Indebetedness was paid off. Sunday School rented the schoolhouse, it cost them 30 cents for the use of it in the daytime and 35 cents at night. January 1918 they discontinued relationship between district 25 and 13.

According to information obtained from the Clerk records this is a list of those that served on the school board between 1901 and 1935. Andrew Anderson, Ole Harsted, Alfred Johnson, Pete Larson, E.J. Ames, T.D. Van Arnum, John Schelin, Gust Sundvall, Warren Baker, Ed Doughty, Fred Rasmussen, George Wills, Edna Severeign, Oscar Swanson, William Anderson, C.E. Haines and Henry Haren.

This is a portion of the history that we have gathered together about the Hayland School, and we hope it is of interest to you.

There is modern history to be written. Historical write ups are welcome. Consider researching the modern history in the Milaca Historical Society, plus whatever records maybe carefully kept in boxes of records held in somebodies home.

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Former Teachers of School Dist. 25 1901-1935
1901-1902......Ruth Whitford
1902-1903.....Jenie Harper
1903-1904..... & Agnes Perry
1906-1907......Carrie Parsley
     Lower Room
                     Upper Room
1910-1911...Edith Schelin......Jeanette Anderson
1911-1912...Violet Mathison......Eva Hatch
1913-1914...Eva Chapman......Anna Johnson
1915-1916...Olga Lindstrand..................................Violet Mathison
1920-1921...Irene Nordberg......Olive Anderson
1923-1924... Ethel Carlson................. Janie Bliss
1924-1925...Ethel Carlson......Janie Bliss
1927-1928...Esther Arnquist...........Edna Swedberg
1928-1929...Esther Arnquist...........Edna Swedberg
1929-1930...Marian Nygren.........................Rodney Sahlstrom
1930-1931...Lennea Lundberg......Alice Johnson
1931-1932...Lennea Lundberg......Alice Johnson
1932-1933...Ruth Rowland.......Alice Johnson
1935-1936...Jeanette Walters.......Edith Carlson
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## Former Pupils of School Dist. 25 1901-1935

Alguire Ada Alguire Clarice Alguire Eldred Alguire Lyman Anderson Allan

Anderson Anna Anderson Arthur Anderson Henry Anderson Phillip Anderson Theodore Anderson William

Anderson Arthur Anderson Mandius

Anderson Elaine Anderson Wesley

Anderson Amon Ra Anderson Betty Ann Anderson Phillip

Ausdahl Gladys Ausdahl Inga Ausdahl Lawrence Ausdahl Martin Ausdahl Myrtle Ausdahl Oscar Ausdahl Pearl Ausdahl Sally

Baker Carroll Baker Ellsworth Baker Leila Baker Mary Baker Ruth

Baker Elvonna Baker Joan Baker Kearney Baker Phylis

Berg Dorothy Berg Myrtle

Bliss Janice Bliss Jay Bliss Joy

Broberg Adeline Broberg Donald

Broberg Ben Broberg Bonna

Broberg Albert Broberg Carl Broberg Dewey Broberg Eni Broberg Eric Broberg Fred Broberg Fritz
Broberg Harry
Broberg Herbert
Broberg John Broberg John Broberg Lloyd Broberg Roy Broberg Teddy

> Caldwell Austin Caldwell Dorothy Caldwell Harold

Carlson Alvina Carlson Vernon

Colton Clarence

Cooper Dorothy Cooper Glenn Cooper Guy Cooper Mark Cooper Martha Cooper Nancy Cooper Ray Cooper Robert Cooper Ruth

> Cornish Dorothy Cornish Genevieve Cornish Leon

Deming Marjorie Deming John

Doughty Edward Doughty Floreine Doughty Glendon Doughty Gordon Doughty Grace Doughty Lillian Doughty Rolland

Dranselka Arthur Dranselka August Dranselka Emil Dranselka Willie

Durbin Ralph

Emery Lois

Freed Florence Freed Hazel

Gossen Bernadine Gossen Helen Gossen Lawrence Gossen Norbert

Haines Alma Haines Anna Haines Myrtle Haines Pearl Haines Ruth Haines Thelma

> Harner Lila Harner Robert

Hardy Beatrice Hardy Francis Hardy Grace Hardy Isabelle Hardy Rosamond Hardy Samuel Hardy Stephen Hardy Willard

Harstad Arthur Harstad Ella Harstad Olga

Hatch Horace Hatch Nyta

Hendrickson Charlie Hendrickson Oscar Hendrickson Pete

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Jarvis Leslie Jarvis Sidney

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Nelson Adeline Nelson Albert

Ohman Arthur

Olin Leona

Olson Agnes Olson Cris Olson Jeanette Olson John Olson Viola

Onstad George Onstad Oscar

Packard Joline Packard Merlyn

Paulson Rudolph

Peterson Enstry

Peterson Lester Peterson Melvin

Phillips Basil Phillips Margaret Phillips Merlin Phillips Wesley

Rasmussen Bernice Rasmussen Cato Rasmussen Lyle Rasmussen Naomi

Richardson Virgil

Romoe Anna Romoe Bella Romoe Clara Romoe Monda

Ronning Bertha Sundvall LeRoy Ronning Melbert Sundvall LeVan Ronning Olga Ronning Ragna

Ross Phyllis

Royle Gerald

Royle Harold

Sanderson Anna Sanderson Axel Sanderson Gehart Swanson Betty Sanderson Mary Sanderson Otto

Schaffer Charles Schaffer Ersal Schaffer Victor

Schelin Emil Schelin Gust Schelin Louise Schelin Minnie Schelin Sam

Schlieff Marie

Severeign Beth

Skanse Andrew

Skanse Ethel Skanse Ingrid Skanse Reuben Skanse Rudolph

Smiley Beulah Smiley Francis Smiley Mildred Smiley Raymond

Smith Harry Smith Helmer Smith William

Soder Earnest

Stadig Lester Stadig Roy

Stevens Howard

Stowers Charles

Swan Andrew

Sundvall Byrd Sundvall Lloyd Sundvall Rose Sundvall Victor

Swanson Alice Swanson Jeanette Swanson Joyce Swanson June Swanson Lester Swanson Marion

Swanson Edwin Swanson Hannah Swanson Harry Swanson LeVern Swanson Reuben Swanson Wilda

Thomas Francis

Tonander Ethel Tonander Grace Tonander Hazel Tonander Margaret

Van Arnum Avis Van Arnum Max

Weir Bessie Weir Edna Weir Francis
Weir Irene Weir Lowell

Westling Bruce

Wills Edgar Wills Jean

Wills Eleanor Wills James Wills Maurice

Woolridge Francis

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If you went to school in Hayland, in either of the country schools, please join your classmates in a fun time at our reunion. If you know of anyone who went to Hayland, please tell them about this! Let's all get together and share our memories, pictures, writings, and memorabilia. Oh, and please bring your lawn chairs!

There will be pie, ice cream, coffee, lemonade, and water served, but if you would like to bring another dessert to share (remember those days way back when with all the yummy goodies we shared?), please feel free to do so, but it's not necessary.



If you have any questions, please call Laurel (Laurie Anderson) Fladmoe at:

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(If you didn't go to school there, but would like to join us, please come!)

## Hayland Country School Reunion, June 30, 2012 Newsletter

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We are collecting Hayland memories. The first will be in newsletter form at the reunion.

Three types of memories are obvious. School memories, community, and biographical memories.

- 1. *School Memories*: Teachers, students, activities, help from friends and family
- 2. *Community Memories*: Ladies Aid, 4H, Saw mills, fires and rebuilding, harvest time, elections, feelings about keeping country schools open.
- 3. Biographical Memories:

Impact of the school and community, occupations, faith, families, and service in military, plus what you want to share.

Mail, or give your memories to John Oss. Typed, written, recorded, or video are all OK. They will be gathered and shared with whoever wishes a copy. Downloads from the internet will be free. Postage and publishing costs will be known and advertised once the materials are assembled. This news letter and following letters will form the main input to the assembling of the memories.