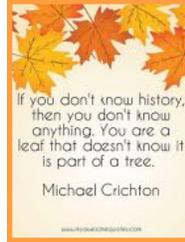


SHAKOPEE HERITAGE SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER



Shakopee Heritage Society Presentation by Tom Suel

During the Shakopee Heritage Society General Meeting on October 23, 2021, a small but enthusiastic crowd heard from Tom Suel, who has been working at Valleyfair for 44 years! In fact, he met his wife there! It was a very fascinating presentation with great pictures from the past!

Upcoming Annual Meeting on January 15, 2022 12pm to 2 pm at the Library

Our next meeting, our annual on Saturday, **January 15, 2022** at Shakopee Library from Noon unshort meeting will start where the **pick a vice-president, treasurer, trustee!**



meeting, in the til 2 pm. A members will er, and two

Heather Hoagland from the Historical Society will then speak planned **cultural trail**. The cultural trail will link the past of Shakopee to the future by bridging cultural divides by offering a glimpse into the lives of past inhabitants of the region including both early European settlers and Native American inhabitants. Please attend and ask questions!

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Please attend the Annual Meeting and Presentation on January 15 at noon!!



What's Been Happening?

- On September 14, 2021, 20 people attended the **We Were Smart: More Women in Shakopee**. Forty people attended the presentation of **Murder, Mayhem, and Mystery in Early Shakopee** on October 12, and 25 people attended the **Mnisota Wakpá: The Minnesota River in Early Shakopee**, all at the Shakopee Community Center on November 16th.
- On October 12, 2021, SHS had a presentation on **The Battle of Shakopee in 1858**. On October 28, SHS had a presentation on **So Jazzy! Shakopee in the 1920s, 1930s and 1940s** at the Chanhassen Senior Center. And the SHS had a presentation in Edina for the Keewaydin Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution on **A Place for Women: The Minnesota Correctional Facility in Shakopee** on November 4, 2021. From these presentations SHS received \$200!
- Shakopee Heritage Society had a table at the Scott County Senior Expo in Prior Lake.
- The second annual CommUNITY Day happened on November 13 at Hočokata Ti! Hosted by the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community, this free event is dedicated to sharing and learning about Dakota culture and history. From traditional games and nature walks to Indigenous food and arts and crafts, this family-friendly event is a unique opportunity for visitors to learn and understand more about Dakota people. (Will be rescheduled.)
- Because of Community Day, the guided tour of the Hočokata Ti [ho-cho-kah-tah-tee] the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community's (SMSC) cultural center and gathering space, and the public exhibit, "Mdewakanton: Dwellers of the Spirit Lake," enhance the knowledge and understanding of the Mdewakanton Dakota people and their history. This will be rescheduled.



Presentations Coming Up

Presentations happen every month from 1 to 2 pm at the Shakopee Community Center. You MUST register (it is free) by calling ahead of time. On-line at <http://parksandrec.shakopeemn.gov/Home.aspx> or call 952-233-9500.

December 14, 2021, 1-2 pm at Shakopee Community Center

Ain't We Got Fun?! Entertainment in Early Shakopee

January 11, 2022, 1-2 pm at Shakopee Community Center.

Instigate, Inflammate, and Ignite! Fires in Early Shakopee

February 8, 2022, 1-2 pm at Shakopee Community Center

Now and Then! Pictures from the Shakopee Heritage Society

March 8, 2022, 1-2 pm at Shakopee Community Center

Honor, Respect, and Sacrifice: Military in Early Shakopee



The Death of Betty A. Dols

Betty A. Dols, one of the founding members of the Shakopee Heritage Society, died at age 91 on November 8th. Betty help start the SHS, then called the Shakopee Historical Society, and continued to support SHS ever since!

Betty's funeral will be on Monday November 15 at St. Mark's Church, and burial will be at the Shakopee Catholic Cemetery.

Betty will be missed by all!



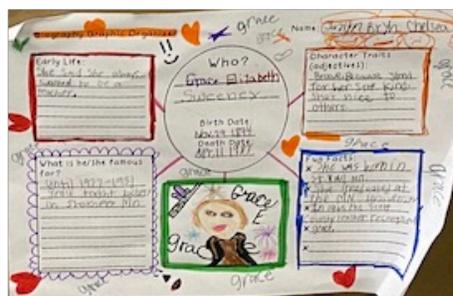
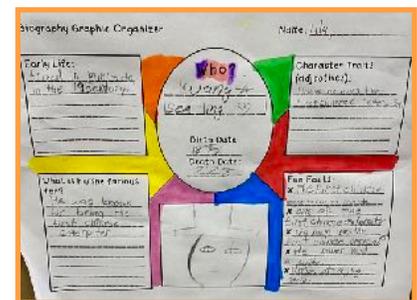
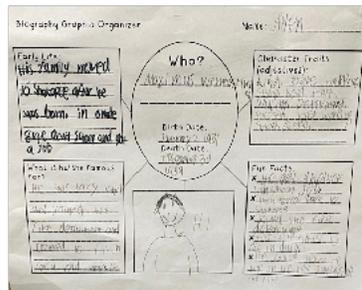
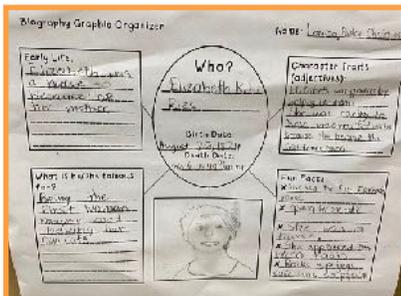
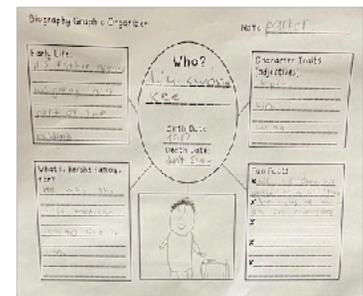
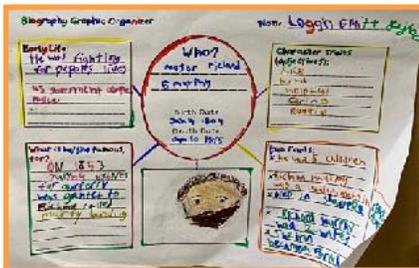
People of Sha K' Pay Brochures

So far, the Shakopee Heritage Society has published over 120 brochures about people in early Shakopee. Some of those brochures, which Shakopee Heritage Society members have received, are on line, thanks to the help of Jack Schleper. Eventually, all will be on line.

Meanwhile, the idea is to have the brochures available for teachers and students in Shakopee's school. This year, Ms. Gersich Schleper has used the brochures in her Jackson Elementary School in Shakopee as they learned about people in Shakopee. Sounds like a great start!



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Super Valu to Giant Wash Coin Laundry



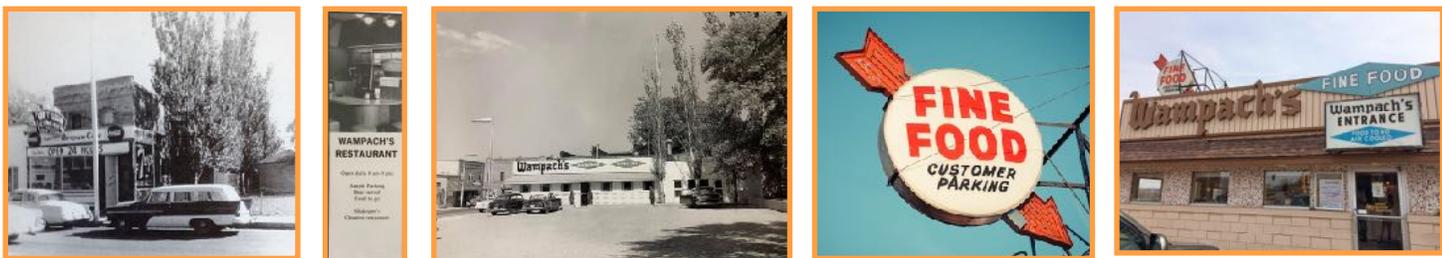
Do you remember the old grocery store on the west side of First Avenue? The old Super Valu is now the Giant Wash Coin Laundry. It is on First Avenue at located at 401 1st Ave W, Shakopee.

Hauer's Drive-In to Country Kitchen to El Toro Mexican Restaurant



On First Avenue the first Drive-In was Hauer's Drive-In. By 1976, the location became Country Kitchen, and the location was at 1134 East First Avenue. Today, the location is now El Toro Mexican Restaurant.

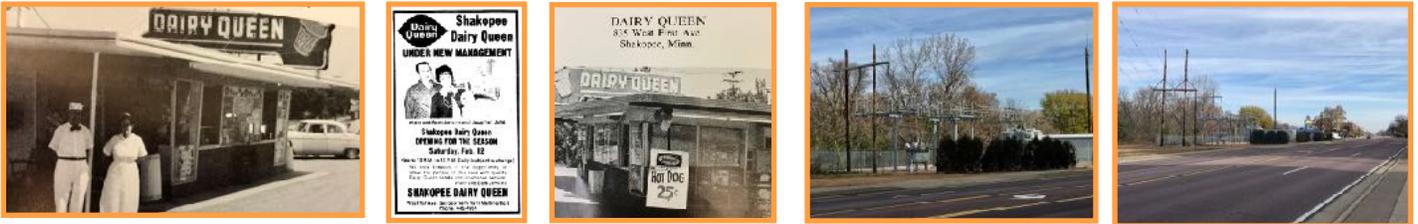
Uptown Sandwich Shop to Wampach's



The Uptown Sandwich Shop was located at 126 West First Street in downtown Shakopee. G. Moore was proprietor. The phone number was 356 (yup...that was all you needed, three numbers)!, and they specialized in

orders to go out! A menu from The Uptown Sandwich Shop, which started ca. 1950, included Chow Mein Sandwich on a bun or toast for 30 cents, a delicious hamburger for 20 to 30 cents, a fried egg sandwich for 20 cents. Coffee was 5 cents, milk was 7 cents, and Coca Cola was 10 cents. Cake was 10 cents, a cookie was 5 cents, and a chocolate sundae was 20 cents! Beer (3.2 beer) including Hamm’s, Schmidt’s, Grain Belt, and Pabst Blue Ribbon, cost 20 to 25 cents. After The Uptown, the site became Wampach’s Restaurant by Jerry Wampach, which started in the 1950s, and has been here ever since! The onion rings are to die for!!

Dairy Queen to a Transfer Station



The first Dairy Queen was on the west part of First Avenue, across from Rahr. The place is now a transfer station related to Rahr. Many older people remember going for ice cream while the wheezing truck passed by! There are two other Dairy Queens, one on Marschall Road and one at Southbrige area.

Tri-Y Drive-In to a Parking Lot



Tri-Y Drive-In was located outside of Shakopee. It was on Highway 101, heading near the Chanhassen, Chaska, and Eden Prairie area near Flying Cloud Drive. While it used to have a stop sign where you could go left (to Chaska) or right (to Eden Prairie), it now has a round-about!

Rohlf’s House to River Valley Montessori and Child Care



Frederick W. And Louise Krasean Rohlf built the house at 931 First Avenue East ca. 1896. Fred was an architect in Shakopee. Later it became Twin Cities Portraits. In 2016 the Shakopee Fire Department practiced

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Putting out the fire. Soon after, the River Valley Valley Montessori and Child Care was built on this location, located at 110 Prairie Street North in Shakopee..

Red Owl to Cities Edge Motorsports



In November 1941 the doors opened on the new Red Owl grocery store by Leo Robeck in downtown Shakopee. It was next door to Bill's Toggery. The Red Owl store continued on Lewis Street by Earl Lull in June 23, 1957. It was remodeled that same year. The city rezoned a large portion of eastern Shakopee from residential to commercial in September of 1961. The area then became a shopping center, with Red Owl grocery store, a hardware store, and other small shops. An automatic in and out "magic carpet" doors on East First Avenue, on Dakota Street, air-conditioning throughout, the latest in fluorescent lighting, four checkouts for fast, courteous service, and a lighted parking area for Shakopee shopping that served 122 cars all made the new Red Owl a success until 1995, when it closed. After a few businesses, the Cities Edge Motorsports took over. They are at 828 First Avenue East.



St. Mary's Catholic School to the Henderson Senior Residence

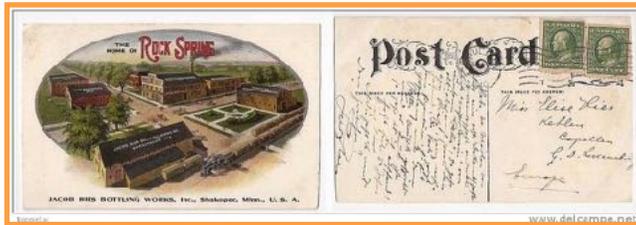
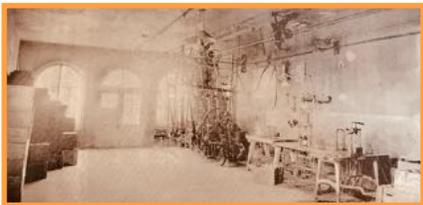


On September 14, 1935 98 pupils opened St Mary's School next to St. Mary's Catholic Church in Shakopee. At the time, St. Mark's School required a fee, and so many went to St. Mary's because it was free. In 1970 Shakopee Area Catholic School connected the three schools, and this school became a middle school. The building was torn down in 2015, and the area became the Henderson Senior Residence, located at 500 Sommerville Street South in Shakopee.

Warehouse #3 to Eastman’s to Auction Center to Masjid Al-Amin Samaha Islamic Center



This location was Warehouse #3 of the Rock Spring Bottling Works. Jacob Ries from Luxembourg and E.A. O’Leary from Ireland opened the Bottling Company on the river (north of Holmes and First Street) in 1872. O’Leary sold out one year later. Ries moved the factory to Third and Holmes Street in 1880. It became Jacob Ries Bottling Works, or Rock Spring. It was in business from 1872 until 1975. It was sold to Pepsi. The building was torn down in 1977, except Warehouse #3. That became the location of Eastman Drug Store, and then it became the Auction Center. And finally, in 2016, the building became the Masjid Al-Amin Samaha Islamic Center.



Know any other places that changed over time? Let us know at shakopeheritagesociety.com, and other pictures will be added in other newsletters!

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Day of the Week	Dakota
Monday, First Day	Anpetu Tokaheya
Tuesday, Second Day	Anpetu Inurpa
Wednesday, Third Day	Anpetu Iyamni
Thursday, Fourth Day	Anpetu Itope
Friday, Fifth Day	Anpetu Izapiŋ
Saturday, Floor-Washing Day	Anpetu Owanŋka Yuŋaŋapi
Sunday, Holy Day	Anpetu Wakaiŋ

Traditionally, a seven-day week is not a Dakota concept. The moon and weather were often used to track the days, months, and seasons. However, after contact with settlers, the terms below were established to refer to the days of the week.

Want to learn more? Pick up the SMSC's own Dakota Moons calendar from the Hočokata Ti gift shop!