

D.O.C. RETIREE NEWS

PEOPLE WHO BUILT THE D.O.C. TO THE LOFTY STATURE IT ENJOYED THROUGHOUT THE NATION
FOR CERTAIN RETIRED EMPLOYEES OF THE #1 DEPT.

SINCE 1996

#89 SEPTEMBER 2010

AH! FOR THE 'GOOD OL' DAYS!

ARTICLE IN THE 12/6/ 2000 TRIBUNE SAYS: "...LAST YEAR, THE STATE PENSION INCREASE WAS A RECORD 11.1% PERCENT.

AND, "CONTINUED STRONG INVESTMENT RETURNS WILL BOOST PENSIONS BY 9.5% NEXT YEAR (2001).

THE ARTICLE ALSO STATES THAT ..."THE HIGH INCREASES OF RECENT YEARS, INCLUDING A RECORD ONE LAST YEAR, MAY END AS THE MARKET DECLINES"

AT THE END OF THE ARTICLE, "FORMULA FOR CALCULATING PENSIONS LIKELY TO CHANGE."

SO! IF YOU WERE DRAWING A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PENSION BACK THEN - YOU DID QUITE WELL!

RETIRED LINO LAKES WARDEN, JIM HULBURT, SAYS IN OCTOBER HE WILL HAVE 25 YEARS OF RECEIVING A PENSION.

HOW ABOUT YOU, MARCELLA SCHNEIDER OF CENTRAL OFFICE WHO RETIRED IN 1978?? 32 YEARS AGO! (GOOD FOR YOU! AND OUR GOOD WISHES)

NAJJAR HITS #80!

SPEAKING OF WILL - (AT THE RIGHT) HIS WIFE, DEE, ARRANGED AN 80TH BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR WILL ON AUGUST 12TH AT THE 'KEGNCORK' BAR IN BEMIDJI. OVER 100 ATTENDED. HERE IS A LIST OF CORRECTIONS TYPES WHO WERE THERE:

KEN FELT OF THISTLEDEW AND CLEARWATER CO. SHERIFF

JIM SOP - MANKATO AREA SUPV. RET.
RODGER CHASE - RETIRED GRAND RAPIDS AGENT
MARY HOGLAND - AGENT WALKER
MARY HANEVOLD - BEMIDJI OFFICE SUPPORT
TOM GRIFFIN - FORMER CPO RETIRED
JON POEHLER - RETIRED DETROIT LAKES AGENT
CURT GEATZ - RETIRED THIEF RIVER FALLS AGENT
TERRY HANSON - AGENT ROSEAU
RICK THOMTON - BEMIDJI SUPV.
KEITH MILLS - TRICOUNTY, RETIRED
DENNY HANSON - T/C AND SANDSTONE, RETIRED
SUSAN MILLS- TRICOUNTY
LOIS JENKINS - SUPPORT, BEMIDJI OFFICE

ANOTHER 'EMERITUS' APPOINTED!

LAST MONTH'S 'RETIREE NEWS' TOLD OF LONGTIME DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, HOWARD COSTELLO BEING APPOINTED "DEPUTY COMMISSIONER EMERITUS" BECAUSE OF HIS LONG AND FAITHFUL SERVICE AT THAT LEVEL.

WELL, HOW ABOUT ORVILLE PUNG - THE LONGEST SERVING COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTIONS? FROM 1982 TO 1993!

BY THE POWER INVESTED IN ME - I HEREBY NAME ORVILLE PUNG - 'COMMISSIONER EMERITUS'.



(PUNG BEING GIVEN 'THE WORD' FROM WILL NAJJAR IN OCT. '91 AT WILL'S RETIREMENT PARTY) AND -THE EDITOR APOLOGIZES TO PAUL SUNDET FOR MISPELLING 'EMERITUS' - LIKE THIS: 'EMITERUS' IN LAST MONTH'S ISSUE.

ANY NOMINATIONS?

GIVING UP THE CAR?

SOME OF US 'ELDERLY' SENIORS ARE FACED WITH THE PROBLEM OF DECIDING WHEN TO GIVE UP DRIVING. A TOUGH TIME AND TOUGH DECISION. WHAT BROUGHT THIS UP WAS BARBARA ROWAN, WIDOW OF FORMER DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, JOE ROWAN- SHE HAS GLAUCOMA AND 83 - CONVINCED SHE WOULDN'T PASS THE DRIVER TEST.

DOC MONTHLY LUNCHEONS

RETIRES MEET (AND SPOUSES OR WHOEVER)
THE LAST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT
PERKINS - 694 AND LEXINGTON-
NOONISH.

JULY 28TH - MAYBE A SENIOR MOMENT ON MY
PART BUT I DON'T FIND ANY ATTENDANCE
INFORMATION ON IT.

AUGUST 25- PRESENT- ERNIE MELBY AND WIFE,
MARY JANE (USED TO BE 'HARTMAN' IN C.O.) TOM
FOSTER, JIM ZELLMER, BETTY ELHOLM, BOB NELSON
(RETIRED FROM LINO) AND WIFE.

ERNIE REPORTED THIS AND SAID, "I WAS SURPRISED
AT THE SMALL TURNOUT AND EVEN THE OLD
STALWARTS, MARCELLA SCHNEIDER AND PHYLISS
MCCORMICK WERE NOT THERE. SOMETIMES I THINK
WE ARE ALL GETTING OLDER!"

SAD NEWS

OLD PAROLE BOARD AGENT IN THE '50s, PAUL
ARNESON (BEMIDJI), LOST HIS WIFE JUNE, TO
ALZHEIMER'S IN AUGUST.

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FROM DENNIS MALONEY OF INTERNATIONAL
FALLS FAME: I ATTENDED WARREN PETERSON'S
FUNERAL BACK IN OCTOBER '09. IT WENT WELL.
LARGE FAMILY THERE. ALSO JIM LYLE WHO
STARTED WITH THE DOC IN '56. DOESN'T LOOK A
DAY OLDER THAN WHEN I MET HIM IN '66... ALSO
MARY HURRE ARNOLD AND AL AND DENNIS
BERTILSON. PETE WAS 89 - OLDER THAN I
THOUGHT.

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FROM BILL NELSON OF VOLUNTEERS OF
AMERICA:

NOTICED YOU OMITTED BILL FISK, AN ADULT
SUPERVISOR IN THE OLD C.O. (FROM OBITS).

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ROGER CRIST'S OBITUARY WAS IN THE AUGUST 8,
'10 MPLS TRIBUNE. FATHER OF DAVID CRIST,
DEPUTY COMM. OF DOC.

ROGER STARTED BACK IN THE LATE '50S AS AN
AGENT FOR THE OLD PAROLE BOARD AND LEFT
MINNESOTA FOR WISCONSIN AND MSW. HE WAS
A WARDEN IN MONTANA & ARIZONA AND
DIRECTOR OF CORRECTIONS IN NEW MEXICO. HE
WAS 76. QUITE A CORRECTIONS CAREER!
(OLD PHOTO FROM WHEN HE STARTED AS AGENT IN MN)



DONORS IN LAST TWO MONTHS

WHAT A HELP IN PAYING FOR THE COSTS OF
GETTING OUT THE 'RETIREE NEWS'.
MY SINCERE THANKS.

BILL MCRAE	BERT MOHS
AL/MARY ARNOLD	ORV PUNG
JOHN JETTE	SAM KNUTSON
DICK (R.N.) JOHNSON	DEL LEAF
BARBARA ROWAN	JIM HULBURT

BY THE WAY, I THINK I HAVE RESOLVED THE
POSTAL INCREASE COST PROBLEM! JUST A
MATTER OF TURNING THE ADDRESS PART UPSIDE
DOWN TO COMPLY WITH POSTAL RULES
(I HOPE!)

RED WING INSTITUTION TO BE ON TV
MARK YOUR CALENDARS! A PUBLIC TV SHOW TO BE
ON THIS FALL. IT IS CALLED, "NEXT STEPS:
COMMITTING TO COMMUNITY". WARDEN/SUPT. OTIS
ZANDERS SHOULD BE ON THERE WITH OTHER DOC

FOLKS. DATES ARE: *tpt* MN Channel 2.2

Sun Sep 26th @ 8:00 pm

Mon Sep 27th @ 2:00 am

Mon Sep 27th @ 8:00 am

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tpt Life Channel 2.3

Sun Oct 3rd @ 12:00 pm

(AT MY AGE I'M PLANNING ON THE 9/26 8PM OR THE 9/27 AT 8
AM)

MY THANKS TO LEANNE PHINNEY FOR THIS INFO.

RETIREE WINTER PLANS

MIKE TRIMBO, FLORIDA TOM DOWDLE,
FLORIDA. JOE COSGROVE, FLORIDA JOHN
JETTE, ALABAMA. WILL NAJJAR, FLORIDA (HE
WOULDN'T MISS IT).

DICK ALSTAD IS A FLORIDA RESIDENT SO, HE
WILL BE THERE. JIM CRAWFORD, I THINK,
PLANS ON FLORIDA.

DUANE ERICKSON, TOO. JOE CORONA USUALLY
GOES TO BULLHEAD CITY, ARIZONA. DICK
FRITZKE IS FULL TIME IN SUN CITY, AZ. MYRON
JOHNSON, FLORIDA.

PAUL LARSON IS TAKING A TRIP TO NORWAY TO
FIND HIS 'ROOTS'.

BILL MILLIKEN LIVES IN FLORIDA. BERT MOHS
IS GOING TO HAWAII. CAROL SMITH GOES TO
FLORIDA. LEROY SIEGEL LIVES IN ARKANSAS.
JON POEHLER, RETIRED DETROIT LAKES AGENT
GOES TO TEXAS.

AND...MAY FLORIDA BE WARM AND THE GULF OIL...GONE!

OTHER RETIREE NEWS

TAI SHIGAKI LIVES IN MASSACHUSETTS AND SAYS, "I JUST GOT BACK FROM A SHORT 5 DAY TRIP TO MN. THE PURPOSE OF THE TRIP INVOLVED SETTLING MATTERS FROM THE SALE OF MY CONDO. NOW, I'M REALLY WITHOUT ROOTS IN MN SINCE I HAVE NO PROPERTY, FURNITURE, ETC. I EXPECT TO RETURN THERE EVENTUALLY."

JOHN JETTE, RETIRED CPO AT AUSTIN SAYS, "I SAW AND TALKED TO LYLE PEARSON (SR) WHEN HE SPOKE AT A VETERANS ROUND TABLE IN ROCHESTER. I ALWAYS ENJOY HIS TALKS ABOUT THE WAR." (LYLE WAS A BOMBER PILOT, SHOT DOWN & P.O.W.)

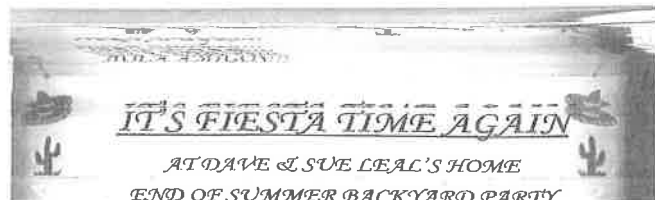
SAM KNUTSON, ST CLOUD WRITES: HAVEN'T DONE MUCH EXCEPT 'PUSHING CHAIRS' AT THE VA HOSPITAL 3 DAYS A WEEK. SPENT MAY, JUNE IN TENNESSEE WITH FEMA- FLOODING.

TED SPENCER- A POOR SUMMER! IN LATE JUNE CAME DOWN WITH FOOD POISONING (WIFE, TOO) AND BOTH HOSPITALIZED. LONG RECOVERY AS IT ATTACKS AND INFECTS THE COLON, INTESTINES, ETC. WE USED OUR PONTOON ONCE. BOUGHT BUT NEVER USED FISHING LICENSES. (WE DON'T KNOW WHERE WE GOT THE BUG). WE MISSED A LOT OF SOCIALIZING AS A RESULT, INCLUDING 60TH HS CLASS REUNION IN THE CITIES. BUT, WE ARE GETTING BETTER.



LORETTA WILLIAMS - THE HELPFUL PERSON IN CENTRAL OFFICE PERSONNEL (HR) WAS ASKED RECENTLY ABOUT RETIRING. SHE MUST HAVE 40 YEARS IN AS I RECALL HIRING HER FROM THE RESEARCH SECTION WAY BACK IN THE DAYS OF NATE MANDEL. APPARENTLY, LORETTA LIKES HER POSITION AND ISN'T READY TO 'HANG IT UP'. GOOD FOR YOU, LORETTA. OUR BEST WISHES.

HOLA AMIGOS!



DAVE LEAL IS THE STATE AGENT AT WRIGHT COUNTY (BUFFALO) AND HE AND HIS WIFE HAVE HAD AN ANNUAL PARTY WITH A SOUTH OF THE BORDER TOUCH. THE INVITATION INDICATES THIS IS THEIR FINAL ONE. THIS PARTY IS HELD SEPT. 18 (PROBABLY JUST BEFORE YOU RECEIVE THIS NEWSLETTER!)

DOC RETIREES EXPECTED ARE: JACK PETERSON, LOWELL NIELSON, KURT HOEHNE, KEVIN FORS, PATTY COOK, REBECCA BENOIT, CINDY ERNHART, ROMAN GEORGE, (ACCORDING TO LEAL) CURRENT AGENTS EXPECTED:

TOM FEDEMMA, ABE ABRAHAMSON (I KNEW HIS DAD FROM PRISON INDUSTRIES- NOW PASSED AWAY). TAMMY MILLER-HESS, RACHEL MILLER, SARA WATTERS, COLLEEN ALBRIGHT, ROGER BABARUM AND JODI GIBBS FROM CENTRAL OFFICE . (AND THE BUFFALO POLICE DEPT) WHERE IS DAN KIERNAN, LONG TIME WRIGHT COUNTY CPO - RETIRED?)

DAVE WILMES

DAVE WORKED AT STILLWATER AS A GUARD STARTING IN 1974 AND ENDED UP BEING A 'CORRECTIONS INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATOR' AND MOVED TO CENTRAL OFFICE IN THAT CAPACITY IN 2006 AND RETIRED IN 2007.

HE HAS NOW BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH ESOPHAGEAL CANCER. THOSE THAT KNOW DAVE MIGHT WANT TO SEND GET WELL WISHES/ ENCOURAGEMENT, AS HE FIGHTS THROUGH THIS TROUBLING TIME.

The year is 1910 (FROM PAUL ARNESON)

One hundred years ago.

What a difference a century makes!

Here are some statistics for the Year 1910:

The average life expectancy for men was 47 years.

Fuel for this car was sold in drug stores only.

Only 14 percent of the homes had a bathtub.

Only 8 percent of the homes had a telephone.

There were only 8,000 cars and only 144 miles of paved roads.

The maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph.

The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower !

The average US wage in 1910 was 22 cents per hour.

The average US worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year ..

A competent accountant could expect to earn \$2000 per year,

A dentist \$2,500 per year, a veterinarian between \$1,500 and \$4,000 per year

and a mechanical engineer about \$5,000 per year.

More than 95 percent of all births took place at HOME .

AS YOU CAN SEE - I RAN OUT OF 'NEWS' AND HAD TO USE A 'FILLER' . THAT'S WHY I NEED HELP FROM YOU READERS TO SHARE INFO AND STORIES. (AND MY THANKS TO THE MANY WHO DO WRITE).

MY E-MAIL ADDRESS IS: spider@wcta.net

AND THOSE LIKE ORV PUNG, HAROLD HANSEN & JACK YOUNG, WHO WOULDN'T TOUCH A COMPUTER IF IT WAS GIVEN TO THEM - WRITE ME! · CALL AT 218-732-7083

ALL OF YOU- STAY WELL. DON'T FORGET TO TAKE YOUR PILLS (YOU OLDSTERS!) WE HAVE A WEEKLY RITUAL AT OUR HOUSE OF FILLING THE WEEKLY SUPPLY PILL BOX- GADS, IT IS GETTING COMPLICATED!))