



May 16, 1930 School Play – Gypsy Rover Operetta
Photo courtesy of Neal Ingebrigtsen



This is the Class of 1930 and guessing that the students are sitting in alphabetical order:
Esther Abrahamson, Nora Abrahamson, Vera Archibald, Margaret Davis, Milo Domholdt,
Esther Gray, Zeda Green, Beulah Gubka, and Elsie Rustan.

May 9, 1931

- Janitor hired for \$70 per month after the board accepted the lowest bid. His contract allowed him to live in the basement of the school and be paid 25 cents per hour for work during the summer.



Class of 1931

Left end is Superintendent George Reishus and 8th student from the left is Ruth Lindow.
Other students in the class include: Violet Archibald, Alma Bergstrom, Earl Bohnsack,
Eunice Frost, Ada Gulsvig, Pearl Karlsrud, Erna Knudson, Roy Kyllander,
Lyndell Myers, Roy Olson, Virginia Ruddy, Helga Stafberg, and Sylvia Thompson

June 1931

- Badoura Nursery is started.



1931-1932 1st and 2nd grade Rhythm Band

Front: Hazel Knox (class of 1943), Virginia Bail (class of 1943), Audrey Kittelson (class of 1944),
Margery Westby (class of 1943), ?, Lois Olson, and Agnes Stafberg (baton leader) (class of 1942)
Others in the picture: Rolf Husby (class of 1943), Hilda Hendrickson, Thelma Gaasrud (class of 1942),
and Walter Vokes (class of 1943)

Picture courtesy of Hazel Johnson Knox

February 6, 1932

- The School District charged the local independent basketball team \$5 per night per game (if two teams came the same night then the charge was \$7).

September 3, 1932

- The levy was set at \$13,000 with teacher wages being \$8,200 (compared to a total \$19,780 and teacher wages of \$14,500 in 1923, due to the Depression).



1930s picture courtesy of Terry Lindow



1932-1933 Boys' Basketball Team – The Tiger Muskies
Coaches: Mr. Carl Ingebrigtsen and Mr. George Reishus.
Photo courtesy of Neal Ingebrigtsen

1933

- Minnesota State income tax was enacted.

July 20, 1934

- Mercantile store owned by Peter Kavanagh and Lawn Fuller, livery barn, lumber yard, Hub Café, post office building with Walter Pearson as postmaster, Oliver Halvorson's land office and other stores in town burned to the ground, a total of 14 buildings in all per January 20, 1955, Nevis News Salutes article.

August 4, 1934

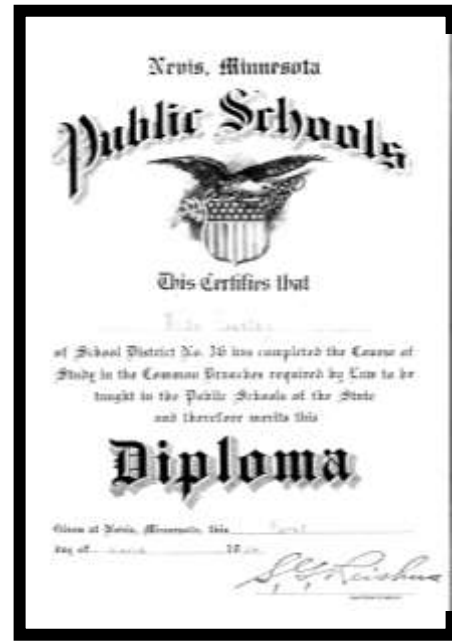
- Resolution: \$24,000 for the building of the new school in 1922 with maturity date of 1935 – board asked to have the bonds refinanced and due July 1, 1955. On February 6, 1937 the school board approved paying the bond in full.

September 1, 1934

- Hired 7/8 time teacher Amy Mattson for \$75 salary per month.
- Levy Amounts:
 - Salaries of teachers \$7,000 (notice the \$3,000 drop in salary of teachers since 1928 due to the Depression)
 - Textbooks \$500
 - Library books \$100
 - Van driver wages \$2,800
- School board meeting was held in the Railroad Depot at 8 p.m. (today, meetings are held in the school building and not at a local establishment).

October 5, 1935

- School board meeting held in the hardware store.



8th Grade Diploma



1930s school activity on the front lawn

December 2, 1935

- Nevis Creamery opened and was owned by Clifford J. Warren. In 1948 Enno Cirks bought the creamery. In 1985, Don Dierkhising operated Don's Dairy Foods. Nevis School bought milk from the Creamery until the late 1980s.



1935-1936 Boys Basketball Team

Back: Duane Gregorson, Adolf Sternberg (class of 1936), Alfred Sternberg (class of 1937)
and Coach Mr. Carl Ingebrigtsen

Front: Earl Erickson (class of 1936), Irving Dregseth (class of 1936), and Norman Stafsberg (class of 1936)
Photo courtesy of Neal Ingebrigtsen

July 21, 1936

- Auditors report gives taxable valuation for district to be \$146,582 (almost half of the value the district was in 1922).
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February 6, 1937

- All teachers were given \$5 per month raises.

April 3, 1937

- 15 caps and gowns were purchased for graduation at a total cost of \$47.95. (today, cap and gowns cost approximately \$23 each and students purchase their own)

May 27, 1937

- Junior-Senior Banquet was held at the Nevis Hotel on Thursday, May 27, at 6:30 p.m.

November 24, 1937

- Substitute pay was \$5 per day for teachers.



Nevis Hotel

1937

- Fall 1937 – the student body changed their mascot name from “Muskie” to “Pirates”. Pirate emblems were worn by the students. This was reported in the 1938 annual.
- For the first time the cheerleaders were elected by the students.



1937-1938 Pirate Squad
Back: John Kaland (class of 1940),
Lloyd Fernquist (class of 1939),
Delton Olander (class of 1939),
Charles Kellner (class of 1940),
Stanley Kittleson (class of 1940),
Mr. Ed Flynn
Front: Clifford Lovik (class of 1938),
Lowell Eskelson (class of 1939),
Archie Gulsvig (class of 1938),
Earl Hedman (class of 1939), and
Delmar Bail (class of 1940)
Photo courtesy of Maridee Schroeder

December 8, 1937

- The Immaculate Conception Mission Church in Nevis held its first mass, in the basement of the church. The land for the church was donated by Peter Kavanagh.

April 2, 1938

- Approved a Works Progress Administration (WPA) project for repairing stairs, caulking windows, and sodding the playground. (WPA was part of President Franklin D. Roosevelt’s New Deal Program of economic recovery during the Depression to provide paying jobs to unemployed workers).

May 1938

- First year Nevis School published “Nehi Backtrails”, the annual was started.

May 28, 1938

- Junior-Senior Banquet was held at Pine Cone Camp at 7:00 p.m.

June 1, 1938

- Wednesday evening graduation at 8:15 p.m. in the school auditorium.
Baccalaureate had been held on Sunday, May 29 in the school auditorium.



1938 Graduating Class:
Back: Ms. Leona Larsen Advisor,
Archie Gulsvig, Gordon Olson, Clifford Lovik,
Arlie Skogheim, and Arnold Albert
Front: Ruth Westby, Helen Vangen,
Esther Tostrude, and Alfhild Husby
Missing: Arnold Wendt



1937-1938 Staff:
Back: Mr. Ed Flynn, Superintendent Carl
Ingebrigtsen, and Mr. Vernon Fering
Middle: Ms. Leona Larsen, Ms. Rosemary
Huelscamp, Principal Amy Mattson
Front: Ms. Pearl Burfiend and
Ms. LaVina White

July 19, 1938

- This was the last school board election held in July. The results of the election were Jens T. Jensen 55 votes, Ole Fugleberg 47 votes, Joe H. Nixon 29 votes with 76 votes cast. Two directors for 3-year terms were elected.

August 6, 1938

- Bethany Lutheran Ladies Aid purchased the original school building. The school board surrendered a Quit Claim Deed to the old school house upon payment of the balance due on the contract which was \$40. The building was torn down in the summer of 2008 when Bethany Lutheran Church built a new church.

1939

- School house valuation = \$88,746.
- Personal property = \$7,419.

January 19, 1939

- The school board approved requesting WPA project of fixing the auditorium ceiling.

March 2, 1939

- Policy approved to allow student substitute teachers at a salary of \$2 per day.

March 7, 1939

- High school teachers were offered the same salary as last year.
- Elementary teachers were given a \$5 raise.

March 30, 1939

- Mr. Vernon Fering, band teacher from 1934-1941, was offered \$5 extra per month providing a high school band was organized and directed by him.

May 1939

- The 1939 annual says “Tigers” and the pep squad uniforms were green and gold. School colors have remained the same to today.



1939 Carl and Kenneth Hanson custodians

May 16, 1939

- This was the first year the school board election was held in May. The polls were open and 37 votes were cast with Joe Nixon receiving 29 votes and Ed Dregseth 31 votes.



1939 Graduating Class

Back: Jerome Rice, Delton Olander,
Earl Hedman,
Principal Leona Larsen

Middle: Cyril Fernquist,
Lowell Eskelson, Margaret Hensel,
Doris Archibald, Hannah Tiegen,
and Lloyd Fernquist

Front: Doris Olson, Norma Wendt,
June Andress, Vivienne Nancarrow,
Margaret Bohnsack,
and Dorothy Fradenburgh

Missing: Olga Tiegen and
Bernette Jacobson

September 20, 1939

- The school board approved a WPA project to replace the hardwood floor in the 5th and 6th grade classroom.



1938-1940 Fall Carnival held October 18, 1939
Agnes Stafsberg (class of 1942), Rosella Fradenburgh (class of 1942),
Queen Lorraine Severtson (class of 1940),
Carol Sanford (class of 1941), and Joyce Luckett (class of 1941)



1930s picture of Nevis School

January 11, 1940

- The school board approved a WPA project to repaint the “girls’ shower room.”



Spring time and school buses

March 16, 1940

- All teachers and van drivers were required to take a Mantoux Test (Tuberculosis test).

April 2, 1940

- Camp Fire Girls were organized at the school. Nowetomnunka, an Indian name meaning “To flourish and be friendly” was chosen by the group. The girls chose their Indian names too. The purpose of the organization was to teach the girls to get along with other people and to be independent. There were seven crafts which the girls had to learn. The crafts were divided into honors. When a girl completed an honor, she was given a bead which she was to sew on her ceremonial gown. The cost of belonging to the Camp Fire Organization was one dollar. The guardian of the Camp Fire Girls was Miss Maria Domrese, elementary teacher.

April 28, 1940

- Approved \$60 towards the expense of the music club trip to Minneapolis.



Bus Drivers: Harold Romer, Malcom Hedman, Henry Thompson, John Lovik, John Weber, Charles Otteson, Russell Severtson, Mr. Husby