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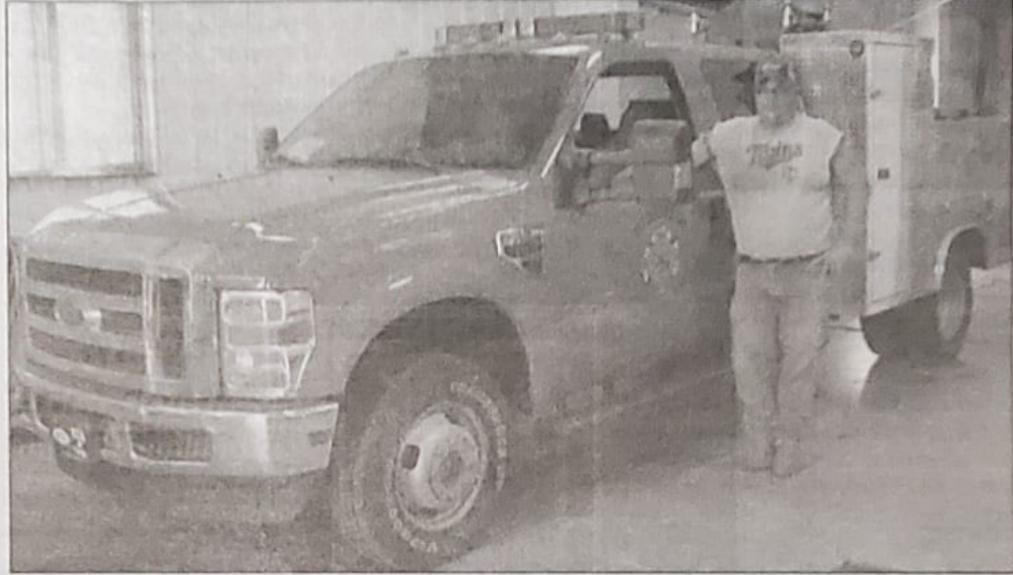
Firemen at work (below)



2012 August 27

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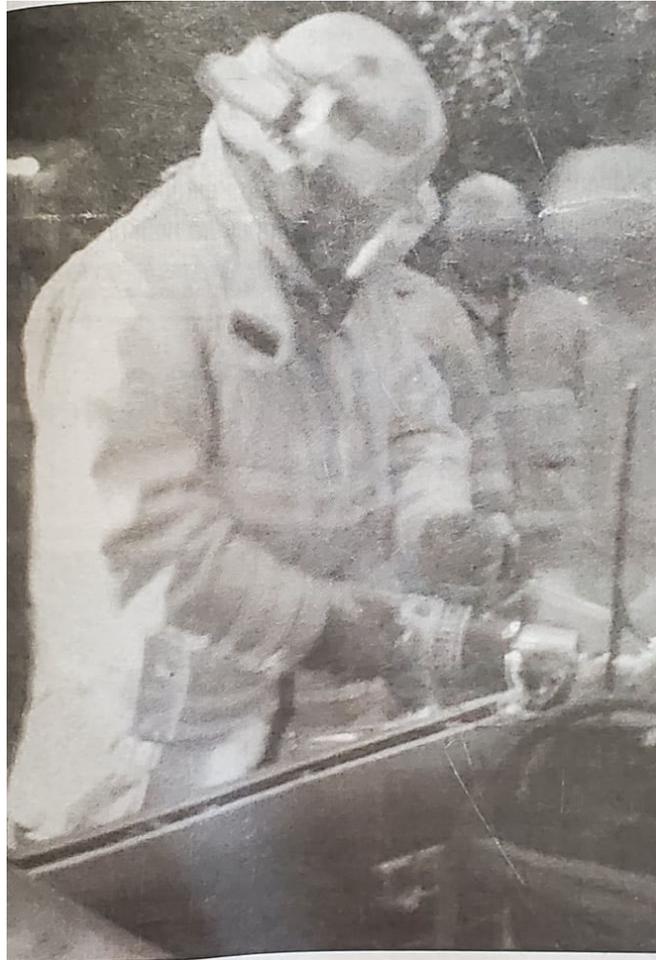
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2012 September 24

“Halstad Fire Department Training – “



“A car was made available to the Halstad Fire Department for their monthly training by Charles Aarestad, a member of the department.”



“Fire Chief Todd Westcott is using a hydraulic Jaws of Life tool to remove the driver’s door.”

2012 October 22 “National Fire Prevention Week –

The NCW third graders (pictured) were invited to the Shelly Fire Department on October 11th. They were greeted by Fire Chief Todd Siemieniewski (pictured) and a volunteer firefighter Gene Dybing. Chief Siemieniewski explained how each truck is used infighting fires. He also answered many questions that the students had about the work that he does and the clothing and equipment used by firefighters. Each student received a Jr. firefighter shirt, a fire hat, and a fire safety booklet. Students also worked at home with their parents to develop home fire escape plans. The students will write letters to their local fire departments to show their appreciation. (Picture by Carol Lokken)” (Halstad’s Valley Journal, October 22, 2012)



2012 October 22 “Norman County Sheriff’s Report September 2012 –
09-19-12 – Responded to a possible arson grass fire in Lee Township.” (Halstad’s Valley
Journal, October 22, 2012)

2013

2013 January 4

Triple Crown Grain Elevator









2012 January 14

“Fire Destroys Grain Elevator in Ada – “



“Norman County fire departments plus Crockston, Mahnomon and Moorhead working to douse the flames of the Triple Crown grain elevator in Ada on Thursday evening. (Photo by Halstad Fire Department.)”



“The elevator’s massive flames behind KRJB Radio station in Ada. (Photo by Sara Nelson.)”

Perley/Lee Township Fire and Rescue Auto Extrication Class



Back, l/r: Michelle Holm, Dan Patenaude (Chief), Ron Nelson, Doug Ohren, Joe Ingvalson, Kasey Hegreberg (Asst. Chief), Roger Mellne, Joe Svir (Instructor); Back: Kodey Hegreberg, Denny Hanson



*Kasey Hegreberg, Denny Hanson, Joe Svir (Instructor),
Roger Mellne, Kodey Hegreberg*

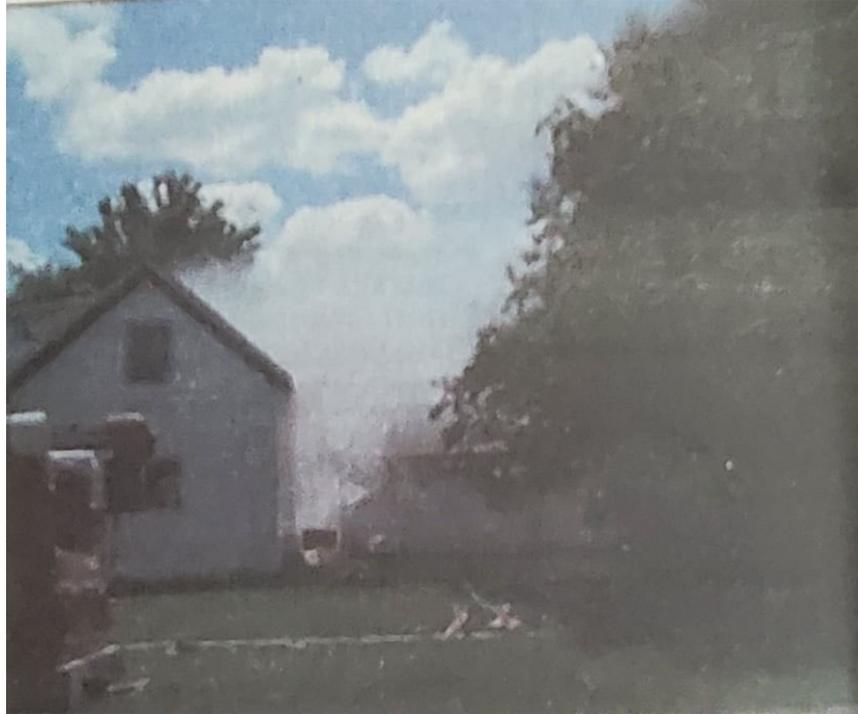


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2013 June 13

“Fire at Kasey Hegreberg Residence in Perley –

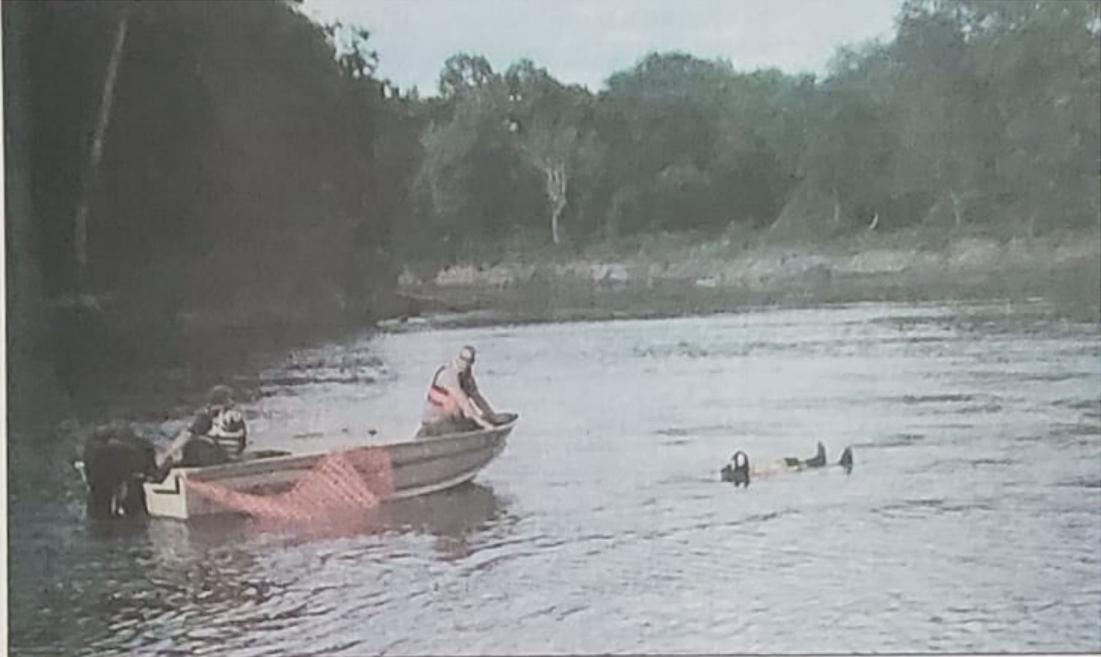
On Thursday June 13th, at approximately 1:30 p.m., departments from Ada/ Borup, Halstad, Hendrum and Perley responded quickly to a fire at the Kasey Hegreberg residence in Perley. Because of their quick response, the garage was totaled but his home was saved. Kasey would like to thank all of the fire departments that responded to the call.” (Halstad’s Valley Journal, June 24, 2013)



2013 June 18

“Halstad Firemen Participate in Water Rescue Training –

Members of the Halstad Fire Department participated in water rescue training near the Halstad boat landing on Saturday, June 18th. The training was provided by Rick Loveland of the Moorhead Fire Department. The Halstad Fire Department has two water rescue suits and Rick brought additional gear so more firefighters could be in the water at once. (Photos by the Halstad Fire Department.) (Halstad’s Valley Journal, June 24, 2013)



Randy Westcott and Brock Vesey in the boat, Gaylord in the water



Brock and Randy in the boat pulling Bron out of the water



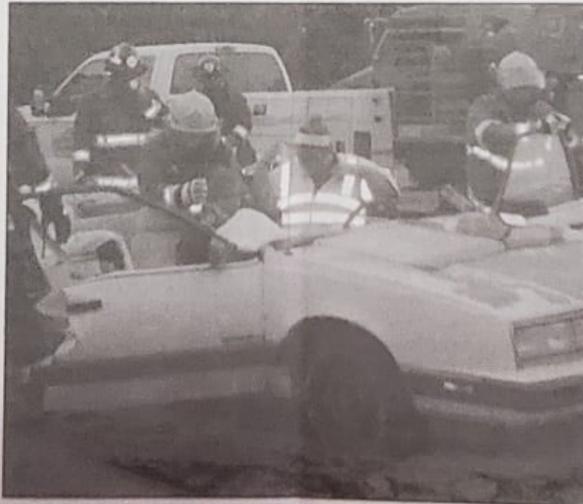
Josh "rescuing" Gaylord

2013 August 17 "Mock Car Accident at Hendrum's National Night Out" (Halstad's
Valley Journal, August 17, 2013)

Mock Car Accident at Hendrum's National Night Out



Hendrum Fire Department removing windshield and rear door



Hendrum Fire Department removing windshield and rear door



Rescue Squad works with accident victim Katie Brommenschenkel before loading her on a gurney



2013 September 9

“Home Consumed by Fire –

The Norman County Sheriff's Department relayed that there was a house fire in Ada around 11 p.m., Sunday night at 207 Jamison Drive, in Ada, MN. No one was hurt and a cause has not yet been determined.

The house in Ada is a total loss after the fire department consumed it Sunday night. Fire departments from Ada, Borup and Halstad responded to the call. The fire spread quickly and firefighters were on the scene until 6 a.m. Monday morning. The origin of the fire is still under investigation. The homeowner, Brock Robinson, was in Fargo when the fire started and was back in time to see it being put out.” (Halstad's Valley Journal, September 9, 2013)



2013 October 28

“NCW Elementary Third Grade Class Visits Halstad Fire

Department –

The Norman County West Elementary Third Grade class had the opportunity to visit the Halstad Fire Department during Fire Safety Week. They were welcomed by Todd Wescott, Lucas Spaeth, Chad Tice, Bron Lucas, and Tony Wolf, each taking a group and touring the department. Not only did the students have a great time, they also learned about fire safety in their own homes, what to do in case of a fire, and the job of being a firefighter. T-shirts were also handed out to each student which they were proud to wear. Thank you, Halstad Fire Department, for making this a special day for these NCW third graders.”





Kevin Dunn and Daniel Suda enjoy sitting in the fire truck and thinking about becoming a future Volunteer Fireman.



“Alvin Shail works the hose with the help of Lucas Spaeth.”

2013 November 25
Veterans –

Hendrum Fire Department Sponsors Veterans Day Supper for

The Hendrum Fire Department thanked all veterans for their commitment and dedication to our country by serving them a free supper at the Hendrum Civic Center. There was also a free-will offering from others that attended with the proceeds going to the ‘Wounded Warrior Project.’

The ‘Wounded Warrior Project’ is for wounded warriors returning from active duty around the world. The most difficult part of homecoming is adapting to the daily challenges of everyday life. The ‘Wounded Warrior Project’ was established to provide tangible, practical support for the wounded, helping them to heal both physically and mentally.

‘Wounded Warrior’ services don’t end when warriors leave the hospital. WWP Alumni is an avenue for communication, networking, sharing and camaraderie beyond the borders of the hospital room. From educational opportunities to employment assistance programs, ‘Wounded Warriors’ are offered access to a range of valuable services.



Helping Wounded Warriors Find Their Way Home. ‘That’s basically what WWP’s about. It’s just like the symbol, someone carrying someone.’ Wounded Warrior” (Halstad’s Valley Journal, November 25, 2013)

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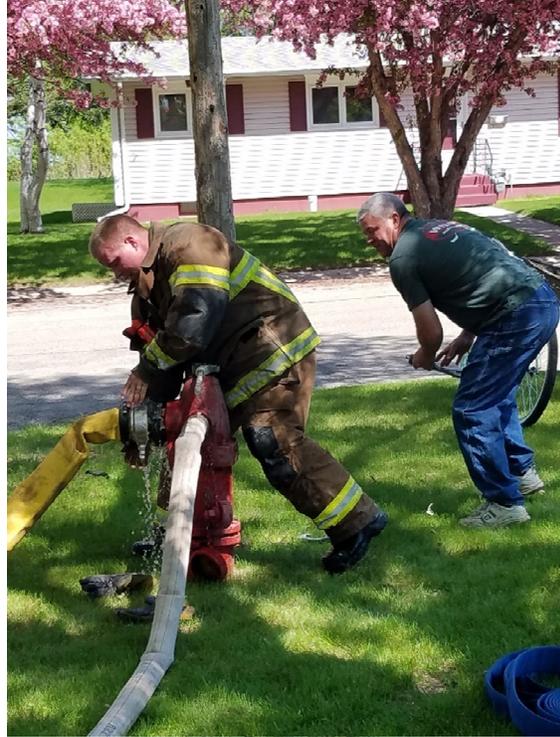
2017 January 3 The Ada City Council approved a joint powers agreement for the Ada and Borup Fire Depts. This five-year agreement will continue the cooperative effort between the two departments that has been ongoing for seven years.

2017 August 22 Eight local fire departments each received \$200 from the Norman County Soybean Growers to purchase biodiesel for their vehicles.

2018

2018 May 20 Fire destroyed the home of Wally and Pat Nyland of Ada. Marie Fingalson's house received extensive damage. Fire departments from Borup, Halstad, Hendrum, and Twin Valley assisted in fighting the fire.





Borup

Halstad



Hendrum



Twin Valley



Nyland house

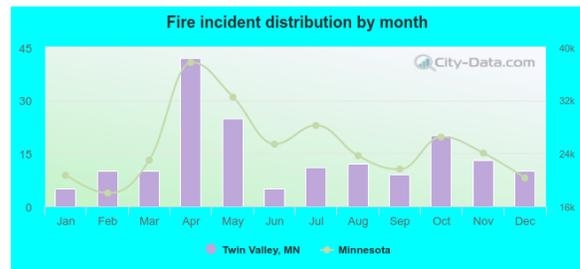


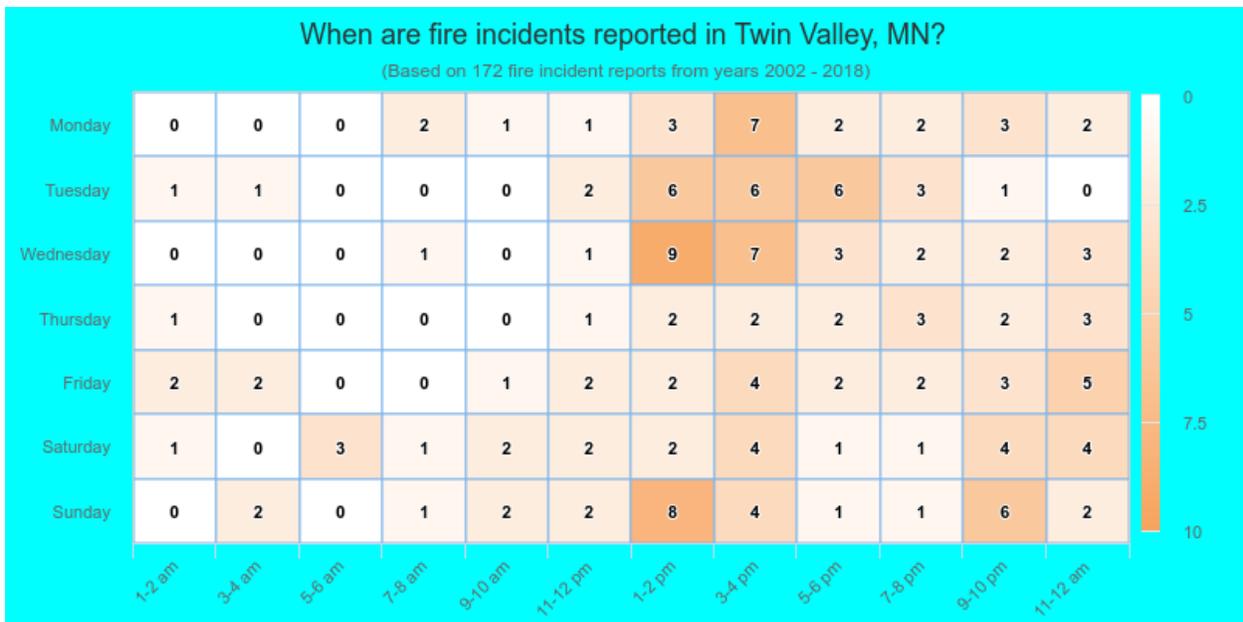
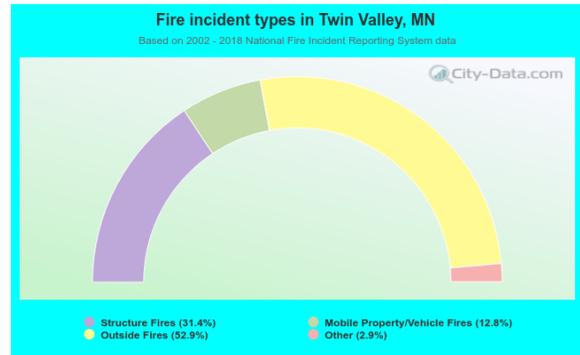
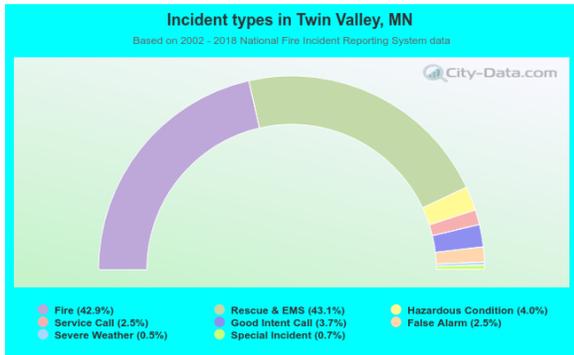
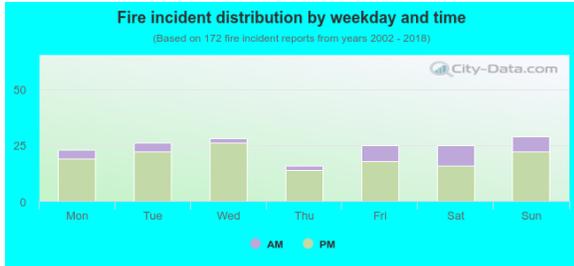
Fingalson house

2018 June 26 Essentia Health and the Ada Community were banding together to help the Wally Nyland family who lost their house to a fire in May.

2018 October 30 Ada resident Austen Germolus rescued a driver trapped in a burning vehicle following a crash on County Road 39 near Borup.

City-Data .com Information: Twin Valley: Fire Incidents, Minnesota 2002 - 2018





Incident types reported to NFIRS in Twin Valley, MN		
Rescue & EMS	43.1%	173
Fire	42.9%	172
Hazardous Condition	4.0%	16
Good Intent Call	3.7%	15
Service Call	2.5%	10
False Alarm	2.5%	10
Special Incident	0.7%	3
Severe Weather	0.5%	2

When looking into fire subcategories, the most incidents belonged to: Outside Fires (52.9%), and Structure Fires (31.4%).

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Outside Fires	52.9%	91
Structure Fires	31.4%	54
Mobile Property/Vehicle Fires	12.8%	22
Other	2.9%	5

2019

2019 February 13 A gas leak at a house in Ada along Thorpe Avenue forced the Ada Police Department and the Ada Fire Department to close Thorpe Avenue/ Highway 200 and evacuate houses within two blocks of the leak for several hours.



2019 October 10 Congratulations to the Ada Fire Department for securing a grant from Minnesota Energy! This \$2,800 will be going towards purchasing a gas detector for the City of Ada.



2020

2021

2021 January 26
north of Ada.

The Ada Fire Department responded to a vehicle, FEDEX van, fire



2021 April 23

“Hendrum, MN — On Friday, April 23rd at 11:37pm, the Norman County Sheriff’s Office received a report of a possible house fire. The caller reported that they could see smoke coming from the roof of the residence located at 327 Rice Street in Hendrum, MN. Firefighters from Hendrum, Halstad, Perley, Shelly, Ada, and Borup along with the Halstad Rescue and Norman County Ambulance were dispatched to the location. The Norman County Sheriff’s Office also responded to assist with the incident.

During the investigation, the body of a 66-year-old male, Robert Torkelson, was located deceased at the residence. The decedent was transported to the Norman County Medical Examiner, located at the UND Forensic Pathology in Grand Forks. The Norman County Sheriff’s Office and the Minnesota State Fire Marshal’s Office continue to investigate the incident.

At this time, the cause of the fire is undetermined.” (R&J Broadcasting)



2021 July

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A Salute to Our Hometown Heroes

Members of the Ada-Borup Fire Dept.

Ada-Borup Fire Department

Ada Fire Department

Steve Petry-Chief
 Bruce Visser-Asst Chief
 Mark Brownlee,
 Lieutenant
 Glen Visser-Captain
 Scott Erickson-Captain
 Josh Mathsen-Captain
 Jay Merkens

Shawn Roux
 Chris Westcott
 Dave Scherfenberg
 Michael Sorenson
 Blaine Erickson
 Nicholas Prothero
 Bryce Jossund
 Justin Kaste
 Sam Visser

Eric Delong

Borup Station

Randy Pallum-Chief
 Myron Pallum
 Duane Hushagen
 Taylor Myers
 Justin Wilhelm

Members of the Gary Fire & Rescue

Gary Rescue Squad

EMT's – Bridget Sather & Monica Lisburg.

First Responders – Linda Engen, Kim Knutson, Kristi Engen, Carrie Heisler, Paige Gunderson, Al Clausen & Missy Netland.

Gary Fire Department

Buck Engen- Chief
Byron Thronson
Lynn Thordal
Dalen Thronson
Brian Chisholm

Ben Ramstorf
Ray Gunderson
Dan Pinske
Bryan Thronson
Joe Heisler

Nathan Sather
Nick Pederson
Barent Thronson
JB Benefeld
Jake Liebl

Blaine Thronson
Mark Juarez
Terry Mackner
Trent Prestegord

Members of the Halstad Fire & Rescue

Halstad Fire Department

Charles Aarestad
Josh Anderson
Michael Bare
Shane Carlson
Gaylord Christianson
Kevin Erickson
John Hinkley
Darin Johnson
Rick Leiser
Bron Lucas
Justin Nord

Matthew Ohm
Ryan Olson
Joshua Poehls
Payton Rufsvold
Isaac Spaeth
Lucas Spaeth
Chad Tice
Randy Westcott
Todd Westcott (Chief)
Tony Wolff

Halstad Rescue Squad

Jesse Arneson
Rachel Arneson
Shane Carlson
Amy Fagerstrom
(President)
John Hinkley
Kathy Mickelson
Ken Mickelson
Darla Moen
Joseph Pickle
Mercy Pickle

Gary Shulstad
David Swenson

Hendrum-Perley Fire & Rescue

Hendrum Fire & Rescue

Mike Smart – Fire Chief
Craig Balvik – Rescue Captain
Paul Luoma, Asst. Chief
Thomas Brownlee
Tim Wheeler
Jordan Smart

Gavin Gill
Skye Gill
Hunter Rudnik
Wyatt Rudnik
Louie Lopez

Perley Station

Michelle Holm
Dennis Hanson
Scott Mangum
Chad Meis

Anthony Burnside
Sarah Ramsey

Members of the Shelly Fire & Rescue

Shelly Fire & Rescue Squad

David Swenson, Fire Chief
Kym Grove
Janet Grove
Gene Dybing
Curt Crowley
Marilyn Whiting
Ron Cakebread
Jonithan Sorenson

George Swenson
Lief Swenson
Elijah Swenson
Darla Moen
Kylle Stene

Members of the Twin Valley Fire & Rescue

Twin Valley Fire & Rescue

Eric Begg
Paul Bekkerus
Taylor Bennefeld
Karen Bolton (RSC)
Marcus Coyle
Joseph Diepenbrock
Brenda Dobmeyer (RSC)

Nathan Dobmeyer (FR/RSC)
Jason Douville (RSC)
Benjamin Fall
Justin Gall
Crystal Hegreberg (RSC)
Mitch Hoekstra
Mike Lampton

Rueben Mastin
Joshua Matteson
Peter Pazdernik
Joseph Peterick
Dusty Stueness
Shaun Syverson
Terri Thornton (RSC)

Kraig Thornton
Kurt Thornton
Dean Thorson
Daniel Wilsey (RSC)

2021 November 16

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Robin Stene, COO of Valley United, presented a generous donation of \$10,000 (including matched funds) to Jeremy Melting, President of the Halstad Business League. The donation will be passed through the business league's 501(c)(3) non-profit, Help Enrich Advance Retail (H.E.A.R.), to the Halstad Fire Department. Valley United's contribution is being made as part of CoBank's Sharing Success program, a fund that matches the contributions of CoBank's customers to the charities of their choice. Halstad Fire

Chief, Todd Westcott, stated, "We have had six new members join in 2021 and would like to have more join to balance out our response team. We are very appreciative of this donation, and we will be using the money to purchase Turnout Gear for our firefighters." If you are interested in learning more about the legendary Halstad Fire Department, contact the Halstad Municipal Utilities at 218-456-2128 or hmuoffice@rrv.net.

From left - Jeremy, Todd and Robin.

2021 December 11 Structure fire near Borup. A Borup-area resident obtained a burn permit and notified local fire departments of his intent to set fire to a structure. Neighbors noticed the smoke and called in a fire. The dispatcher notified the Ada and Borup fire departments, who responded. Apparently, the dispatcher was unaware of the planned fire.

2021 December 20 Fire siren in Ada. Ada Fire Department called to assist Ada Police Department with Welfare Check.

UNDATED PHOTOS



Front Row: Jerome Jevning, Joe Schou, Dick Norum, W. R. Wang, Larry Foley. Back Row: Clair Dittberner, George Anderson, Ebert Sheppard, Oscar Breiland, Roy Sather, Roger Stole.

Halstad Fire Department



Front Row: Lee Helgerson, Clarence Gilbertson — Chief, Eldor Aalgaard. Back Row: Dale Carlson, Gunder Stenerson, Henry Reitan, Fritz Herberg, Alfred Stole.

Halstad Fire Department



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Perley-Lee Twp. Fire Department