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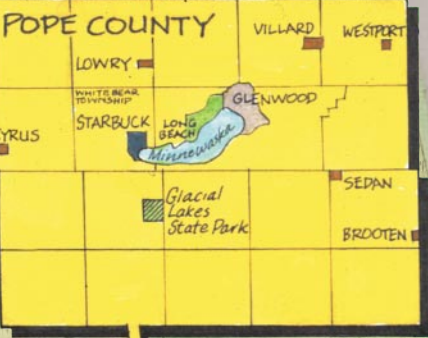
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What's in a name?

When it comes to the origin of Starbuck's naming, a lot. One tale has it that a local gentleman, Andrew Hagenson, was asked by a bridge building crew to assist them in securing some construction materials. Available only in a distant town, Mr. Hagenson hitched up his oxen, Star and Buck, to make the journey. In appreciation for successfully obtaining and delivering the material, the builders prevailed upon their client, The Railroad Company, to name the village after the Hagenson cattle.

A counter tale states that a New York City capitalist with interests in building and financing railway lines was the true source of the town's name. Was it H.H. Starbuck or his son Sidney, also a railway executive, from which the town derived its name?

The year was 1882, too long ago to get first-hand information from a local person. It's up to each person to decide the truth...The capitalist: Starbuck, as the source, or the oxen, Star and Buck. Or is it just a lot of bull?



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Starbuck's Heritage

Gently rolling hills rising from the plains clearly show the agricultural origin of Starbuck and Pope County. Growing on this prime and productive land are many varieties of crops including corn, soybeans, alfalfa, and oats. Other important segments of the agricultural export economy are dairy, hog and beef operations.

Environmentally-conscious Pope County farmers are protecting top soil and ground water as evidenced by the high rate of participation in the Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) land conservation program and CRP (Conservation Reserve Program). Unique impressions from the agricultural scene around Starbuck await you.

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When you think of Starbuck and Pope County, you automatically think of Lake Minnewaska. An invaluable resource in west central Minnesota, Lake Minnewaska provides year-round water sports activities, including swimming, fishing, boating and water skiing. Opening fishing season is a busy time in Starbuck, with the parade of campers pulling trailers and heading for boat launching position at the city marina.

Stocking programs ensure that walleye, northern pike, bass, crappies and sunfish are plentiful in this healthy and bountiful lake. And there are plenty of businesses in Starbuck to support your fishing and camping expedition...bait, tackle and outboard motor suppliers to name a few.

Rental cabins and camper spaces are also available - for the week or for the season. You may decide, after you discover how friendly the area is, to purchase a lake home or rent a Hobo Park camper space on an annual basis.

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Located on the western shore of beautiful Lake Minnewaska in Pope County, west central Minnesota, Starbuck was incorporated as a city in June 1883. The city's economic and cultural base has been primarily agricultural and tourism related.

Starbuck is conveniently located just 18 miles from Interstate 94. The Starbuck Municipal Airport has lighted, 24 hour, year-round service on its 2,500-foot turf runway.

Churches and Schools

A number of church denominations serve the urban and rural areas of Starbuck and offer both youth activities and adult education programs.

The Minnewaska Area School District was consolidated in 1993 from three Pope County districts: Glenwood/Lowry, Starbuck, and Villard. Consolidation came after several years of cooperation that resulted in the building of the Minnewaska Area High School in 1991 that now serves about three-quarters of the county. The Minnewaska School District is made up of the high school, which houses students in grades 7 through 12. The district includes elementary schools in Starbuck, Glenwood, and Villard with enrollment of over 1800 students.



Starbuck Elementary, with over 250 students, prides itself on a clean, safe, comfortable environment for its students to learn in. The Starbuck Elementary School has the unique advantage of spacious facilities and grounds with a progressive attitude toward technology in education. Community spirit is an

important part of the school's philosophy. The school features a number of well supervised environments for students beyond the school day/week, encourages volunteerism, participates in the Foster Grandparent program and the school district has an extensive community education program geared toward all ages.



Minnewaska Area High School (MAHS) was built with the students' future in mind. It has the latest technology and features an ITV studio, computerized media center, up-to-date computer information including internet. The school has and olympic-sized pool, plus all of the sports facilities, which include a 2,600-seat gymnasium. If you are looking for a quality education complete with a well rounded menu of activities including: art, drama, speech, sports, or a quality education, Minnewaska School District has it all.

Civic Organizations

Starbuck citizens are very involved in public service activities including organizations such as the Starbuck Area Chamber of Commerce, Project Starbuck, the Beautification Committee, the Starbuck Jaycees, the Starbuck Lions, Garden Club, 4H, Hospital and Home Auxiliaries, Church Auxiliaries, Study Clubs, VFW and American Legion Auxiliaries, Starbuck Depot Society, Boy and Girl Scouts, and more!



Community Services

Fire protection services are provided by dedicated volunteers while the police department serves the community with two full time officers. Emergency medical services are provided by certified emergency medical technicians. City government is comprised of a mayor, a four-member city council and a city clerk. Starbuck businesses provide the community with all other services that are needed.

Minnewaska Lutheran Home

The Minnewaska Lutheran Home (MLH) is a 76 bed skilled nursing facility with 26 double rooms and 24 private rooms. MLH provides 24 hour skilled nursing care and adult day care services. Physical and occupational therapy services are available on an inpatient and outpatient basis for adults and children. MLH and Minnewaska Regional Health System jointly own a 20 unit assisted and independent living center. MLH has a rich heritage based on quality care for their residents. The mission of the Minnewaska Lutheran Home "is providing care in the spirit of excellence."

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Minnewaska Regional Health Systems

Minnewaska District Hospital, part of the Minnewaska Regional Health System, offers a 24-hour emergency room and ambulance service, all private rooms, in- and outpatient surgery, inpatient medical services, obstetrics, oncology, internal medicine, mammography, lab and nuclear medicine, X-ray, CAT scans, chronic care services, mental health services, and more! Located just two blocks west of SH 29 in Starbuck at 610 West Sixth Street. Call (320) 239-2201 for information.



Minnewaska Medical Clinic (formerly Starbuck Clinic) provides a full range of primary health care services to patients of all ages, including prenatal and obstetrical care, pediatric care, family medicine, internal medicine, basic surgical services and geriatric care. For your convenience, the Minnewaska Medical Clinic is open for appointments Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Saturdays 8 a.m. - Noon. Call 239-2231 for appointments. The Minnewaska Medical Clinic is located on the south side of the Minnewaska District Hospital.

For complete information about the city of Starbuck you can contact the Starbuck Area Chamber of Commerce at:
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Leisure Activities in the Starbuck Area Will Keep You Very Busy

Whether you fish, water-ski, sail or just pleasure ride, launch your boat at the city marina. From open water fishing to ice fishing, in Lake Minnewaska abundant with walleye, northern, muskies, bass and panfish to walking the nature trails, camping, cross country skiing, or snowmobiling at Glacial Lakes State Park, vacation opportunities offset demanding work lives. The City Park and its sandy beach, picnic grounds, softball diamond, tennis courts, and skate park are close to home and office. The five-mile bike path runs adjacent to the City Park and connects you to the heart of the city.

What to See and Do While in the Starbuck Area

Glacial Lakes State Park – located on Highway 29 five miles south of Starbuck. Stand on top of the glacial hills and experience the vast, open prairie that once dominated Minnesota. When glaciers moved through this area 10,000 years ago, they left behind rolling hills and crystal clear lakes. Today, hikers, horseback riders, skiers and snowmobilers enjoy miles of trails that wind past glacial formations, prairie potholes, marshes, woodlands and creeks. Visitors can swim, fish or boat in Mountain Lake. Campsites amenities include: drive-in, electric, backpack, walk-in, horse and handicapped accessible and a new seasonal camper cabin.

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Pope County Museum – located on Highway 104 on the south edge of Glenwood. Since 1931, the Pope County Historical Society has compiled family history records and significant artifacts to illustrate the development of the county. The Museum, built in 1966, has 11,000 square feet of exhibit galleries, five historic buildings and additional outdoor displays.

The museum is open year round, Tuesday through Saturday 10 to 5 and Sundays from Memorial Day to Labor Day 1 to 4. Nominal Admission Charge.

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Holly Skogen – located at West 6th Street

Holly Skogen Park, also known as the Troll Park by local children, is a privately owned and maintained park located directly north of the Minnewaska Regional Health System in Starbuck. This two-acre park, owned by Arne Pederson, is kept open to the public and about 2000 visitors sign the guest book each year. Children love this park and are welcome as long as they are under adult supervision. Visitors are welcome to stroll through this park on their own. For a guided tour, you may call (320) 239-4604.

Starbuck Activities Calendar

January Ice fishing, snowmobiling and cross country skiing
February Scout Fishing Derby (1st full weekend)
May Fishing season opens; Lefse Dagen (mid May)
July Heritage Days (parade, fireworks, 5 & 10 K run/walk, carnival, beach party, street dances, craft fair)
August Waterama (last full weekend)
Pope County Fair
Country Days (2nd weekend)
September Eple Tiden (last Saturday)
October Duck, pheasant, small game seasons open
November Deer hunting
Christmas Open House
December Lighting of the Christmas Tree
Ice fishing at its best



Starbuck Lakeshore Park – Located at the south end of Starbuck on Hwy 29 So., the park is bordered by Lake Minnewaska on the east. There are picnic shelters, a band shell, playground equipment, a ball diamond, tennis and basketball courts, skate park, swimming beach, and bike/walking paths. (320) 239-2525

Starbuck Depot – The first train service in Starbuck began in 1882 and the last train left on July 15, 1983. The Depot Society began the restoration of the Northern Pacific Depot building and the grounds in 1986. The building now displays many artifacts of the train era and has been restored to the busy 1910 time period of the Northern Pacific railroad. The Depot Society hosts three festivals during the year: Lefse Dagen, Heritage Days, and Eple Tiden.

Morning Glory Gardens – Morning Glory Gardens is located four miles east of Starbuck on the north shore of Lake Minnewaska on Highway 29. This beautiful park offers over 30 varieties of annual and perennial flowers. Thousands of visitors tour the garden each year.

Glacial Ridge Trail - Scenic Byway – The trail meanders through 245 miles of scenic roadways between Willmar and Alexandria. The trail offers something for everyone, whether their interests are historical, cultural, recreational or a simple scenic drive.

Indian Mounds Park – Indian Mounds Park is located on County Road 24 east of Starbuck. Legend has it that Princess Minnewaska is buried here beside Chief White Bear. The legend boasts that if an Indian girl visits Minnewaska's grave on her wedding day and takes away a pebble, she will find true happiness in that she and her husband will remain faithful lovers throughout their married years.

Terrace Mill Historic District – The Mill once produced flour and feed for area residents, then furnishings for churches throughout North America. Now a cultural center, the Terrace Mill Foundation hosts a number of arts events each year. Terrace Mill is open for tours in June, July, and August. The Mill hours are Tuesday thru Saturday 11:00-6:00 and Sunday noon to 6:00.

Bike Trail – The Glacial Trail Association has completed the first five miles of a non-motorized trail. The first section connects the Glacial Lakes State Park with the city of Starbuck. The bike trail will take you directly by the city beach and park.

Minnewaska Golf Club – Minnewaska Golf Club is located on the Golf Course Road west of Glenwood. The course is a Joel Goldstrand design with 18 holes of championship golf on the Glacial Ridge Trail north of Hwy. 28, the course enables you to enjoy a beautiful view from every hole. Soft spikes required. (320) 634-3680



World's Largest Lefse – Starbuck Lions created the World's Largest Lefse at the Centennial celebration July 1st, 1983, on the grounds of the Starbuck Northern Pacific Depot. It measured a record 9'8". This is recorded in the Schibstad Norwegian Book of Records. A plaque marks the spot where the record was achieved. Main Street Starbuck

Hobo Park & Marina – Campers come from all over to stay at Hobo Park in Starbuck. Located just a few blocks from downtown and adjacent to the Starbuck Marina, the park is a convenient place for anyone wishing to take advantage of the lake and all it has to offer. A clean sanitation building with showers, city water, electricity, dump station, picnic shelter, and playground are all a part of what makes Hobo Park such a popular place to stay. The park has 92 campsites providing full hook-up, electrical and tent sites.

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