The coming of automobiles and trucks and the building of modern roads have created many changes in the types of business in this small town. This, along with elimination of the local depot and maintenance crews operating over long mileage of tracks by mobile units have further changed the makeup of many small towns. The present town is changing more and more to the role of a commuter’s town with a large number of its citizens traveling daily to work to numerous positions in larger towns and cities of the surrounding area. The principal function of today’s place of business is to supply the needs of growing number of families who have constructed some fifteen new homes here in the past two decades. To them the small town is their home.

THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 539

The American Legion Post 539 was organized in December 1945 by a team of organizers from East Grand Forks and Red Lake Falls. The first commander, Ed Gaber and the first adjutant, Lloyd Wallace were elected at this meeting.

There were twenty-five members at this time as follows: Raymond Altepeter, Summers Canady, Harold Chandler, Verne Chandler, Lawrence Cormican, Orville Dahlin, Raymond Dubuque, Willard Dubuque, Earl Fitzsimmons, David Gaber, Edward Gaber, Henry Gebhardt, Walter Gebhardt, Robert Goergen, Anton Goodyke, Harvey Haugen, Edward King, Herbert Kliner, Marvin Michaelson, John Pahlen, Maynard Piker, Darrell Sewill, Albert Shimpa and Lloyd Wallace.

Shortly after the Legion was organized a Wac Luella Tucker joined the Post as the first female.

The first meetings were held in the Keystone Hotel owned by the Royal Neighbors at that time. The building was acquired from the Royal Neighbors by the American Legion. The Keystone Hotel was later removed from the premises and a new Legion Hall was built on the same premises in 1953.

The present membership has grown to 45 members in force. An addition to the American Legion building within the last two years was a new kitchen, running water, restrooms and a bar built inside the building.

The present Commander is Martin Schulz and the present Adjutant is Larry Larson.

EUCLID 4-H CLUB

The Euclid 4-H Club started in 1926 when G. U. Keppel was County Agent. Mrs. H. A. Pflugheofft was instrumental in helping organize these clubs which were called Boys’ and Girls’ Clubs at that time. They got Loren Parkin to help talk to the young people and the club was started.

According to records they had an Achievement Day, October 16, which was attended by 75 people. Fourteen boys and girls showed products. Loren Parkin won a trip to the Junior Livestock Exposition with a Duroc Jersey Barrow. Elizabeth Gruholt also made the trip with turkeys.

In 1927 the records were misplaced, but 1928 was a successful year with George Beatty, President; and Pearl Armstrong, Secretary-Treasurer. 1929 also showed a good enrollment with Muriel Helm, President; and Alice King, Secretary-Treasurer. For a period of time, few records were kept; but Euclid did start an active club again in 1936. The first few years adult leaders were William Strickler and Bessie Chandler. Some of the Club presidents through that period were Kenneth Sewill, Ruth Janni and Vera Tiedeman.

More up-to-date records were found from 1940 through 1945. Presidents were: Marvin Chandler, Violet Teal, Allen Hoef. Etta Teal and Donna Tieman. Adult leaders were William Strickler, Harold Kollasch, Martha Wieland and Mrs. A. W. Teal. Ethel Marmorine was Home Agent and a very good 4-H promoter.

There was a short time when Euclid didn’t have a Club but many of the young people joined with a Club northeast of town called the “Double B” Club. This Club was getting too large so in about 1960 the Clubs divided and the “Euclid Club” came into being once more. It has remained this way. At the present time the adult leaders are Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Larson and Mrs. David Gaber.