THE THIRTIES IN LAKEVILLE

Our family moved to Lakeville in 1930 and I stayed with Grandma Brennan while attending first grade at Lakeville School. As Aunt Gert and Irene were at home at that time I also shared a bit in their social life and that of three young women who boarded there. These were Depression Days and the girls were very resourceful as they planned Hard-Time Dances, Box Socials and Masquerade Parties around Gram's Kitchen Table. It was an exciting time for me as I thought I was a part of their world, too.

One Sunday Gram was away and I was home with Aunt Gert and Aunt Irene when they had an opportunity for a ride to a dance at Spring Lake, Their driver, Mr. Piene, was not a dancer but he did willingly provide transportation for the "girls". This was before the age of baby sitters so it was necessary that they take me to the dance.

While the girls danced Mr Peine watched me sleep away the hours. This was my first Visit to Doyle's Pavilion!

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