PICTURES
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BIRD'S EYE VIEWS

4.33A NK  This is the oldest broad view picture of Schleisingerville known to exist. It was taken before 1887. In the foreground is Rosenheimer's Implement Business, now the site of Strupp Implement. Here the Rosenheimer's are proudly displaying their latest line of farm equipment. This is the only picture showing the building on the site of what later was the State Bank of Slinger on the main intersection. It's thought to be the original building of Baruch Schleisinger Well. Also note the pond across the street from Rosenheimer's. This pond became a dumping ground and was later filled in. It is the same site where water accumulated in the 1986 flood. Roth's Hall is on the far left. Between Roth's Hall and Rosenheimer's is what is thought to be Schleisingerville's first brewery. It is now the site of Dave & Rusty's. Across the street is the Wild house. This picture shows many buildings that have subsequently been torn down.

6.17 RK  View of Schleisingerville from Rosenheimer's Hill towards downtown around 1910.

6.20 RK  View of Schleisingerville, Circa 1908 from the hill behind what is now Carbon Engineering.

2.11  View towards the Vim Tractor Company (Carbon Engineering) from the top of Yankee Hill. Circa 1922. Of special note, Brass Foundry Building appears (now Sager Auto Body). The house next to what is now Jim's Bakery is located on the street. It was moved back off the street in the 1930's by Dr. Prefontaine. The building where the Hartford Parkview Clinic (formerly Tolzman Funeral Home) now stands is occupied by what was a cigar factory at one time. The Tolzman Funeral Home was built in 1940.

6.8 RK  View from Yankee Hill towards St. John's, Circa 1909. Though not a clear picture, this is the only picture we could find
of Rosenheimer's Lumber Yards visible in the background just to the left of St. John's steeple. A rail road sidetrack came to the yards. By 1920, Goetz and Dhein had taken over the lumber yards. Peter Schuck's Warehouse is visible as are the sheds across from L. Rosenheimer's Store. Those sheds are thought to be the sight of Schleisingerville's first post office.

4.17 MS Storck Street scene around 1910. Nearest house is that of Charles D. Storck. The house where Dick's Ambulance now stands was torn down in 1969.

6.7 RK Kettle Moraine Drive North Circa 1910. The house on the near right still stands at 133 Kettle Moraine Drive North. The two other houses on this side of the street and the house on the far left have been razed. The large house across the street was the John Geldrich house built in 1905. It has remained in the Geldrich family to this day and is located next to Horsch & Miller at 138 Kettle Moraine Drive North. The Philip Tennes farm is in the background.

3.12A NK East Washington Street prior to 1887. The man is sitting in what now would be St. Peter's parking lot. On the near left is the old Rosche house. The nearest building across the street is the Rosche Foundry. Next is Kletti's Blacksmith Shop followed by the Kletti home, John Schuck's house and at the corner John Buch's hotel. Further down on West Washington Street you can see the L. Rosenheimer store and behind that you can barely see Joe Rosenheimer's home. That house was owned by Lehman Rosenheimer prior to his death in 1878.

Looking down on what is now Kettle Moraine Drive North you can see John Thiel's Blacksmith Shop and house. The second floor of the middle addition which was built in 1887 has not yet been added. Further right is William Kratz's store before the store addition was added. This is one of the oldest pictures of Schleisingerville in existence.

7.4 NZ This picture of Slinger's main intersection was taken around 1909, shortly after the new concrete sidewalks were installed. Starting from the left is H. Budde's Wagonmaker Shop which was razed in 1939 (now Jerry Gundrum's residence). The Schuck Store has a tree that was removed prior to the building's exterior being stuccoed in 1920. The old bank building was built in 1905. Note the flagpole. Also note the steps leading to the second floor of Rosenheimer's Store (now Tom's Bar and Grill). Roth's frame hotel was torn down and rebuilt with a brick exterior in 1910 (now the Slinger House). John Schuck ran a harness making business out of the house on the right (now Gaedtke's).
6.33 RK Kettle Moraine Drive South - view from the railroad tracks Circa 1910.

107 E. Washington Street. It is one of Slinger's oldest homes, most likely dating back to the 1850's.

7.7 TR Buchanan Street, Circa 1910. The Merten house is pictured at right. The houses on the left still stand today.

5.5 MS West Washington Street as of 1910. Joe Rosenheimer's farm implement sheds are on the near left. The small apartment on the left still stands, but the next building which housed Slinger's first brewery was rebuilt and John Rosenheimer Sr.'s implement shed was rebuilt as Gundrum's Market. The bricks to construct Roth's new commercial house appear to be piled up in the street. On the near right side, the first building was rebuilt into what is now Auto Tech. The old Wild/Leverence house was rebuilt by Harland Rhode in 1948 and the house nearest the old bank was replaced by Fred Kletti.

8.22 TR Kettle Moraine Drive South around 1915.

6.14 RK Kettle Moraine Drive North from the main intersection, Circa 1910. New modern concrete sidewalks were installed in Slinger between 1907-1909. Prior to that, wood plank sidewalks were used and were in need of constant repair. Starting from the left; Roth's Hotel, Roth's Stone Barn, Thiel's Blacksmith Shop, Thiel's home, Kratz's Store, Kratz's old home (not visible), Kratz's Warehouse. Near right is Charles Fries's Hotel and Saloon.

RK East Washington Street as of 1906. The wooden sidewalks are still apparent. The first house on the left is still standing at
5.17 MS Kettle Moraine Drive around 1910. All the buildings on this picture still stand today.

5.19 MS Theodore Koenings invited the area farmers in for some type of celebration and had this picture taken around 1910. Koenings Implement Shop is the large building in the center. It is now an apartment building. Storck Street is fully developed with new homes all of which still stand today.

2.28 WCHS View of Schleisingerville from passenger trains going through around 1915. The building in the foreground still stands. The two houses on this side of the tracks have been removed. The house on the left was removed when Richard Burg put up his commercial building in 1969.

6.16 RK Kettle Moraine Drive North looking towards the main intersection. Starting from the left is the barn behind Charles Fries's Tavern. Most taverns had barns where customers could store their horses while patronizing the establishment. John Rosenheimer's building on the corner is plainly visible. From the right is William Kratz's old house and next door Kratz's Store. There was no park across the street, just a swampy field.

17.24 MS John Kippenhan inside the Central Hotel. He leased this hotel/saloon from Elizabeth Kaiser from 1897 until he moved into the New Commercial House he constructed across the street in 1906. The Central Hotel later would become the Slinger Lanes.
building around 1912. It became the long time home of the State Bank of Slinger.

Other notable businesses located in this building included the Tolzman & Gensman Hardware store, the Tolzman Funeral Parlor, Held & Kramer Hardware Store, Dr. Smith's Dentist Office, Hess Hardware and currently it houses Creative Marketing of America. It is now owned by Jim Oakleaf and is referred to as the Oakleaf Building.

3.9A NM The Washington House. Circa 1908. Located on Slinger's main intersection at the present site of Don's Uni-Mart. Ernst Grasskopf ran a hotel-tavern business out of this site until about 1880. John Buch ran this business until 1891 when it was purchased by Charles Fries for $4,000. Charles owned it for many years and Adolph Fries and John Merten had it for a short period of time. By the 1920's Andrew Bethke ran the saloon and by 1950 Roland Heder owned this business. He ran it until the late 1950's when he razed the building and built a service station. The station was leased out by Heder until the 1980's when it was sold to Don Mechennich who changed it from a service station in to a uni-mart. Don recently died and his wife JoLynn now runs the business.

RF John and Joe Merten in front of the saloon John ran in the basement of the L. Rosenheimer Store. Now the location of Tom's Bar and Grill.

3.8A NM Schuck & Frey General Merchandise. The original portion of this building, located at Slinger's main intersection is possibly the oldest building in town. It is thought to have been built in 1847 by B. Schleisinger Weil and his son Julius. In 1857 it was sold to John Pick who ran a large store until 1876 when the building was sold to John S. Keidel and in 1886 to his son-in-law August Zihlslendorf. When August died in 1900 Joe Rosenheimer purchased the building and leased it to Schuck & Frey. By 1903 Peter Schuck bought out Frey. He purchased the building in 1907 and conducted a store until 1946. The family leased the store to Kenneth Ries and in 1951 the store was sold to Myrtle Theisen who ran a grocery store. In 1968 Myrtle sold the building to Elmer Ritenour who continued the grocery business. Richard Bielinski purchased this building in 1974 and ran Creative Marketing out of it. He also rented to the Gundrum Insurance Agency. Bielinski later sold Creative Marketing which moved across the street. This building now houses the Gundrum Insurance Agency and 6 apartments. Richard Bielinski owns the building and occupies one of the apartments.

17.14 JMS John Rosenheimer Sr. built this building in 1905. This picture was taken shortly after that date. This building served as the headquarter's for his vast business holdings, including his brickyard operations. In the display window is a buggy for sale. John and his family lived upstairs. He sold this
LS The Fuller-Goodman Lumber Company. The original building was built in 1906 and was part of the Farmer’s Supply Company. It was owned in succeeding years by the Armour Grain Company, Milwaukee Elevator and Slinger Lumber Company. In 1928 the Fuller-Goodman chain purchased it and operated a lumber and building supply company. Oscar Kratz was a long-time manager of this business. A portion of the building still stands today and is located at 501 Kettle Moraine Drive South.

BK Picture on lower left is of William and Katherine Kratz inside their general merchandise store.

13.16A JK Arnold Wickert, grandson Kenneth Kuehn, and wife Elizabeth Arnold purchased the Tolzman and Gensman Plumbing and Heating Business in 1923 and built his own shop in 1926. He remodeled it around 1950. The building is now a duplex located at 112 Kettle Moraine Dr. N. between Don’s Uni-Mart and the park.

BK William and Katherine Kratz standing at the doorway outside their general merchandise store at 121 Kettle Moraine Drive North. This picture was taken around the year 1900.

5.21 MS Joseph Urban’s Livery Service transported people from the local train stations to their destinations, frequently Cedar Lake. The building was owned by Adam Firnhaber in 1869. Joe Urban had it from the late 1800’s until around 1910. He was succeeded by Joseph Geller who followed in the livery business along with starting an auto dealership. By 1920, Ralph and Leo Burg took over the garage from Geller. Ralph bought out Leo 2 years later. He married Joe Geller’s daughter, Esther, in 1922. Ralph had a Chevrolet dealership he ran with his sons Tom and Richard. Tom continued in the garage business and Richard went into the ambulance business which he runs out of his shop at 411 Kettle Moraine Drive South.
7.35 FK  Ladislaus Wenzislaus Kachelmeier helped his dad in the bakery business which was eventually taken over by his brother Frank. Laddie also played in the Skipper Leone Band.

13.14A MT  Shadyside Restaurant was built by Claude Schickert and James Tilt in 1961. It was taken over by Marge Tilt shortly thereafter and was run by Marge for many years. It is now owned and operated by Kay Krooyer. This picture was taken in 1961 shortly after the restaurant opened.

17.7 MS  Dorothy Herbst on Vim Tractor.

13.3A MW  William Langenecker's new implement shop built in 1921. William purchased Joe Rosenheimer's implement business in 1915. He was also Village President from 1927 to 1936. This business is now Strupp Implement located at 118 W. Washington St.

5.4 MS  Vim Tractor Company built in 1920. They manufactured about 150 tractors and were closed down via a bankruptcy sale on November 24, 1923. H. L. Kadish established the Carbon Engineering Corporation in 1928 and the family still runs the business to this day.

5.16 MS  John Floss Beer Hall around 1910. This is thought to have been built by John Rosenheimer, Sr. as a residence in 1902. Later, the saloon was run by Mike Mullen, Henry Bischoff and Gib Held. Currently the site of Parkdale Pet Care, 111 Kettle Moraine Drive South.
7.34 FK  This 1948 picture shows from left to right: Frank Kachelmeier, Mike Mullen and Henry Bischoff. Henry took over the tavern in 1948 and ran it until he died in 1961. His wife Anna then ran the business until 1965 when she sold out to Gib Held.

Mike Mullen had run the tavern for about ten years. He took over from Annie Floss who ran the bar after her husband John had passed away.

Frank Kachelmeier was Slinger's baker for many years. He took over his parents bakery and ran it until he retired in 1969.

4.23A NM  Picture on lower left is of Roy's Tap around 1937 when Roy Geldnich purchased it from the William Kratz Estate. A house was located on this property as early as 1862. By 1869 a store owned by Jacob Haberman was attached. William Kratz took over by 1890 and established a general merchandise store which he ran until around 1930.

3.7A NM  This building is located at 105 Kettle Moraine Drive South. It was built by John Rosenheimer, Sr. in 1890. This building was originally Rosenheimer's Meat Market. By 1908 it was rented to Otto Wadewitz, Sr. who ran a meat market. Wadewitz later purchased the building at 117 Kettle Moraine Drive South from John Kletti and ran his meat market out of that location until his death in 1930. At that time sons Alfred and Oswin took over the meat market and ran it until 1958. The building was then sold to Norton Risse who ran a meat market for many years. This building was later the home of the Farmer's State Bank, Joe Eiche's Gamble Store and Electric Shop and the L. J. Bull Insurance Agency. It is now a two family apartment.

6.28 RK  In front is Slinger's new depot, built in 1911 and shared by the railroads that came through Schleisingerville. The old depot was moved to Storck Street and with an addition and remodeling it was converted into a house that still stands at 121 Storck Street. The new depot has recently been moved to 414 Kettle Moraine Drive South and is used as headquarters of E. H. Wolf and Sons, Inc.

2.27 WCHS  The Bub Body Company of Milwaukee was a specialty company producing conversion kits for the Ford Model T. Production started in 1919 and the 4 Zwebel brothers moved production to a new factory in Slinger in 1921. (Washington County Fairgrounds) At its height, the company had 25 employees and was producing 7 car bodies per day. The
company ceased operations in July 1924 leaving many local investors out in the cold.

10.12 BS View of Vim Tractor Company (now Carbon Engineering) and Modern Brass Mfg. Co. (now Sager Auto Body) around 1920.

1.14A LRR Tolzman Funeral Home as of 1941. Constructed in 1941 by William Tolzman, the former building had at one time been a cigar factory.

13.15A MT The inside of Carbon Engineering during WWII, a period during which Carbon did much work for the government. Pictured here are Marge Tilt, Bernice Miller, and Otto Willers.

5.21 MS Circa 1910. The Farmer's Grain and Elevator Company around 1910. Later leased by Milwaukee Elevator Company and purchased by Albert C. Thiel by 1925. This was run as Thiel's Mill by Albert, his son, Fred, and Fred's son Doug before closing in 1990.

3.3A JS We are not sure whose brickyard this is, possibly William Kortmeyers. It was said that with equipment such as this, that Rosenheimer's brick yard produced up to 25,000 bricks per day in 1886. The old brick buildings in Slinger are most likely all built with bricks produced at the local yards.

9.31 SD Inside Kratz's General Store, 121 Kettle Moraine Drive North.
14.5 VR The picture on the lower left is the inside of Mike E. Meyer's Grocery Store around 1915. Mike Meyer took over what once was Nicholas Theisen's Tailor Shop. He built a brick addition and operated a grocery store until 1944. In 1949 this building was purchased by the VFW. The building is located at 201 Kettle Moraine Dr. S. It is still owned by the VFW and the upstairs is occupied by the popular Jim's Place.

7.12 TR Kohl's Hotel and Restaurant after the 1922 addition and remodeling. Purchased by Edward Kohl in 1914. Edward added the bowling alleys around 1919. He passed away in 1927 at the age of 42. This establishment was later owned by Martin Meyer, John Lotspeich, and Al and Gene Kohl.

5.23 MS Koening's Implement Shop on Stork Streeet.

5.10 JS Rex Foundry, one of the successors to the Standard Machinery Company.

1.13A LRR William F. Tolzman, born August 4, 1881, married December 17, 1911 to Alma Gensman, died October 12, 1952. William moved to Slinger in 1914. He opened a hardware store and funeral home in the State Bank of Slinger building in partnership with his brother-in-law Michael Gensman in 1915. Michael died in 1929. His son, Ray, joined him in the business in 1936. In 1941 the hardware store was sold and the new Tolzman Funeral Home was built. William continued in the funeral business until his death. He served 29 years on the Slinger School Board, was a S.A.A. member, and honorary member of the Slinger Fire Department.
KIPPENHAN'S
NEW COMERCIAL HOUSE

2.15 MS  Interior of Standard Machinery Company around 1915. Standard Machinery built its first engine in 1911 and its last in 1919. They changed their name to the LaPoint Foundry Company in 1916. They occupied what would later become the Slinger Foundry.

9.2 BD  The picture on the lower left shows the second step of the project which involves moving the house over to make room for the new building. The house still stands and is occupied by the Brian Dixon family at 406 Kettle Moraine Drive South.

9.4 BD  Workers hauling large stones that will become part of the 3 foot thick basement walls to the construction site. The Central Hotel is in the background. John Kippenhan leased the Central Hotel prior to constructing the "New Commercial House".

9.1 BD  The initial stage of the construction of John Kippenhan's "New Commercial House" in 1906. Excavation work begins.

9.34 BD  Workers mixing the mortar used in making the thick basement walls. The two brick houses in the background still stand today.

9.5 BD  Construction is well underway as workmen pose on the roof for this picture. Note the scaffolding techniques used.
The completed product: John Kippenhan's New Commercial House in 1906.

John Kippenhan inside the New Commercial House.

**FAMILIES**

The Gensman girls in 1910. Left to right: Emma Schuck (Peter), Matilda Storck (Charles D.), Julia Roth (Edwin), Alma Tolzman (William), Miss Amanda Gensman.

This picture of the Kratz family was taken around 1920. Family members, left to right standing: Edward, Walter, William G., Katherine, William, Lydia and Clara. Seated: Oscar and Hylde. William came to Schleisingerville at the age of 15 in 1874 and learned the shoe making trade. He eventually opened his own shoe store and in 1892 expanded into general merchandise. He married Katherine Schmitt in 1886 and they had eight children. The oldest, Katherine, died at age 11 in an accident involving a horse. The rest are shown in the picture. William built the house at 123 Kettle Moraine Dr. N. in 1911. His store was located next door.

Edwin Kratz lived above the State Bank of Slinger and worked at the Storck Brewery. Oscar "Slim" Kratz built the house at 510 Kettle Moraine Dr. S. He was the manager of the Fuller Goodman Lumber Company across the street. William G. Kratz worked for the State Bank of Slinger from 1916 to 1960 at which time he was bank president. He purchased his parent's house after his mother's death around 1936. His son William P. Kratz was assistant cashier and a long-time employee of the State Bank of Slinger. William P. Kratz resides with his wife Katherine "Kitty" at 612 Kettle Moraine Dr. S.

The Arthur W. Duhning family standing by the porch of the home they purchased in 1918. The house is still in the Duhning family and is located at 330 Kettle Moraine Dr. N. Right to left: Arthur W. Duhning, Anna Duhning who at this time is possibly pregnant with the youngest family member Carol (Saegert), Edward, Marcella (McCadle), Bill, Delores (Rudorf)--has her head down, Arthur M.--in back with hat.
Emily (Greenbank)—in front of Art, Lorraine (Horsch), William “Pat” Horsch, John—in front of “Pat,” Harry—turned sideways, Ralph—furthest left, the three small children in front are, right to left: Leo, Anne (Mergenthaler) and Elsie (Marcy).

Art W. worked at the Slinger Foundry. His three oldest sons were heavily involved in the local construction business. Ed and Bill ran the Duenhing Bros. Construction Co. with help from their brother John and Bill’s son Dennis. Art M. ran the Arthur Duenhing and Son Construction Co. with his son Robert. Art M.’s daughter Marie is married to Jim Wiedmeyer, owner of Jim’s Slinger Service and the laundromat next door.

Arthur W.’s brother John Duenhing and John’s wife Skipper Leone had a well-known sailor band from the 1930’s until the early 1970’s. They also ran a drug store at 125 Kettle Moraine Dr. S. between the time it was Stappenbeck’s Drug Store and the Slinger Beauty Shop in the 1920’s. Art W.’s other brother William Duenhing, who was a Slinger mail carrier, drowned in an ice skating accident along with William’s 11 year old son William Jr. and Bert Wickert, age 13. The accident occurred on Big Cedar Lake in December of 1932.

13.6A NM The picture on the lower left is of LeRoy and Lucille Geldnich. LeRoy was born on December 23, 1910, in Waukesha, to William and Wilhelmina Geldnich. His grandparents, John and Elisabeth Geldnich, built a home on a farm on Kettle Moraine Drive in Slinger in 1905. When he was two years old, the family moved into the house his grandfather built.

LeRoy’s jobs included working for Joe Eische Electric, Arnold Wickert Sheet Metal and Plumbing, and the Schaefer Organ Factory. While working at the Schaefer Organ Factory for six years, Roy helped to build pipe organs for many churches.

On January 10, 1937, Roy bought the tavern from the William Kratz estate. Then, he married Lucille Gass on June 22 of the same year. Roy and Lucille owned and operated Roy’s Tavern in Slinger for over 53 years. He sold the business in August of 1990 to retire.

Their only daughter, Nancy, is married to Dennis Maher and lives in Slinger on a parcel of the original Geldnich homestead. Kristine and Brian Maher are their only grandchildren.

Roy and Lucille are currently living at the Geldnich homestead in Slinger, where he grew up as a child.

1.34A NM Geldnich family. Left to right, back row: John, Katherine Dean, Louisa Hopper, Maggie Peil, Mary Beine. Middle row: Anna Merten, William, Emma Lizzie Beine, Peter. Seated: John, Clara Schwanz, Tina Giese, Elisabeth Weber Geldnich.

3.15A LS Frank Gundrum Family. L to R (top row) Lucille, Anthony, Frances, Jerome, Roy, Bernice. (bottom row) Frances, Marian, Frank. The Gundrum family has been heavily involved in the Slinger business community. Frank and his brother Joseph T. opened the Gundrum Bros. Meat Market in 1919, Son Roy, long time Slinger School Board president, followed in the meat market and his son Tom now runs the business. Roy’s son Frank heads a branch office of Northbrook Insurance in Slinger. Bernice married Robert L. Scott, a long time village employee. Lucille married Math Schaefer and their children include Judy Held who runs Judy’s Beauty Boutique, Robert who is the Slinger Fire Chief and runs Schaefer Amoco and Schaefer Service Center and whose wife runs Sherry’s Cuts & Curls, Ron who runs Ron’s Bump Shop, and Joann Schodron who lives in Slinger. Jerry was a charter officer of Slinger Rotary, a charter member of the Slinger Advancement Association and long time Park Board member. Jerry started the Gundrum Insurance Agency in 1953 and his sons John and Larry now run the business. His daughter Nancy Schultz and
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son Rick also live in Slinger. Frances married Jerome Brodzeller and kids Mike, Cindy and Diann reside in Slinger.

Frank's partner, Joseph T. Gundrum's children include Delores Held and Valeria Komp of Slinger.

Frank's cousin, Joseph A. Gundrum, was the longest continuous Slinger Village President covering a span from 1937 to 1955. Joe came to Slinger in 1922. He purchased the Eckhart and Kroeyer Oil Company at 201 W. Washington Street. He rebuilt the station in 1945. Joe also started the Gundrum Oil Company. These businesses were taken over by Joe's sons-in-law, Eugene Mechenich and Cy Wolf. Cy later sold out his share of the businesses to Eugene. Jim Wiedmeyer later purchased the service station and now operates as Jim's Slinger Service. Eugene's son Don eventually took over the Gundrum Oil Company and later sold it to E. H. Wolf and Sons, Inc. Eugene's other son, Joe, runs Joe's Barber Shop in Slinger.

CB Ralph and his brother Leo Burg came to Schleisingerville in 1920. They rented Joseph Geller's auto dealership and garage. In 1922 Ralph bought out his brother's interest in the business.

Ralph married Esther Geller and they had 5 children. Twin sons, Tom and Richard followed Ralph in the garage business. In addition to running a Chevrolet dealership Ralph Burg sold farm machinery for International Harvester for a period of about 10 years.


Ralph died in 1970 and was succeeded in the garage business by his son Tom. Tom ran the garage until his retirement in 1989.

Richard continues to live in Slinger at 522 Kettle Moraine Drive South. Tom lives in a new house he built at 429 Glen View Court South.

HOUSE PICTURES

3.14A NM Geldnich Homestead built in 1905. John is on the wagon and his wife Elizabeth and two daughters are standing nearby. John passed away in 1907. This house still stands at 138 Kettle Moraine Drive North and is the home of Roy and Lucille Geldnich.

1.21A LRR This home located at 531 Kettle Moraine Drive South was built by Peter Schuck.

1.12A LRR William Tolzman house built around 1919, located at 515 Kettle Moraine Dr. S.
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Mike is originally from Amherst, WI and Jackie is from St. Lawrence, WI. They met nine years
ago and were married two years later. They built their home here in Slinger, where they raise
their three daughters ages 4, 2, and 7 months.
6.21 RK New William Kratz house at 123 Kettle Moraine Drive North built in 1911.

8.3 DB Dr. Joseph E. Reichert was Schleisingerville's doctor from around 1890 to 1910. This picture taken around 1905 shows the doctor with his daughters, Margaret and Dorothy and wife Barbara (Rosenheimer) Reichert. This house was possibly built by Dr. Meyer Rosenheimer in the 1880's. After Dr. Reichert left, it was owned by Dr. Phillip Kauth, later by Jacob Eiche, then Phibeon Neighbor. It is now a 3 family apartment.

17.17 SG This home, located just south of the village limits at 3662 Hwy. 175, was an overnight stopping place for stagecoach travelers from Milwaukee to Fond du Lac. It is thought to have been built in 1847. Pictured left to right: Henry, Anna and Jacob Huenergard. The home was completely remodeled by Richard and Sandy Gadow in 1990.

PARADES

13.10A MT Slinger Creamery's entry into the 1969 Centennial Parade.

5.25 MS Liberty Loan Parade in 1918 helped to encourage the purchase of Liberty Bonds to support US efforts to finance World War I. This parade was headed to the South Side Park on top of the hill.

7.13 TR The early years of Ramstad's Mobile Home Court. This was annexed to the Village in 1987.

2.17 MS Patriotic parade around 1918 showing support for World War I efforts. John Foss Beer Hall (currently Parkdale Pet Care) and Kletti house (currently Joe Mechenich's Barber Shop) in background.

PRESIDENTIAL VISITS

17.4 BF President Ronald Reagan visited Hartford on July 27, 1987. His motorcade traveled through Slinger on Hwy. 60 on the way to West Bend. The traffic on Hwy. 60 was completely shut down for this event.

17.15 HTP President George Bush waves to his supporters as his train passes through Slinger early Saturday afternoon, October 31, 1992. Nearly 300 people waited at the crossing on Kettle Moraine Drive for the presidential train to pass. Bush was on a final campaign swing through the state.

CW President George Bush took a whistle stop train ride through Slinger on the Saturday before the Presidential Election in 1992.
7.30 RK June 22, 1940 Hartford Times Press. Water piled up four to nine feet deep in the center of this little hill-locked community and forced Banker William Kratz of the Slinger State bank to call on Arnold Wickert, boatmaker, for help. Wickert rowed to the Kratz residence and ferried the banker over a block to his office, right down the main street. Also in Slinger, Edward Theisen, Beaver Dam salesman, came out of the Roth hotel Saturday morning to find his car half covered by water and more than $100 worth of candy in the rear seat ruined.

VOS The 1986 flood, Slinger’s worst in over 40 years.

11.26A JG An overnight rain of 7-1/2 inches caused flooding in Slinger. The community park was under water. Water

JG Father George Jentges, St. Peter’s pastor from 1943-1968, shown here with the cross that is now mounted on the church steeple.

13.22A JK The 1940 flood in Slinger.
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flowed between Bergmann's Appliance and Larry Gundrum's house back through to Gundrum's Market. The water then flowed across W. Washington St. past Jim Vivian's Furniture Restoration Shop and accumulated in the back yards of the houses on Oak St. in the same area where a pond used to be. The water then flowed back onto Lawndale Ave. The Fire Department pumped water from the end of Lawndale over the railroad tracks. It was Slinger's worst flooding since 1940. Dorn Lighthizer picked the wrong spot to park his truck on the evening of September 10, 1986.

6.9 RK July 17, 1915 John Rosenheimer's barn fire across the street from the L. Rosenheimer Store. The John Rosenheimer barn was burned to the ground with 60 tons of hay and 600 bushels of oats. The roof of Rosenheimer's Store had started to burn, but was put out. Nearby residences of John Kramer and John Miller were saved along with the machine shop of William Langenecker. Schleisingerville was thankful for their waterworks, for had it not been for getting plenty of water, the fireman would never have gotten the fire under control, and perhaps a good portion of the Village would have been wiped out. The barn was 38 x 90 and was erected in 1901. Origin of the fire was unknown. The loss estimate was $4,000. and was covered by insurance.

17.22 MJR Water well for the people on W. Washington St. This well was located in front of 114 W. Washington St. and was available for public use.

TR Kletti house explosion 1905.

11.12A AD Seventeen car train wreck in Slinger on May 14, 1971. One car ended up right next to the depot. Art Duehning, with his caterpillar, is in the middle helping the railroad with the clean-up which took several days.

JM Baruch Schleisinger Weil's West Bend house.
The land was originally purchased from the United States of America by Jules Schleisinger on Nov. 20, 1845. There were numerous owners until two brothers Frank and Joe Gundrum purchased the land from John and Mary Rosenheimer on March 22, 1919. They started a business at this location called Gundrum Bros. in the village of Schleisingerville, Washington County. The village name was changed to Slinger on November 16, 1921.

On January 3, 1950, Roy Gundrum, Frank’s son and Alfred Tennes purchased the business and changed the name to Gundrum’s Market. They were partners in the business until Alfred’s health failed him and then on May 1, 1975, Roy’s son Thomas J Gundrum became partners with his father. They were partners until Roy retired on Dec. 30, 1978 when Tom purchased the business. Tom is the third generation making sausage and smoked meats.

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