The Bruderheim Citizen's Band

As early as 1910, Bruderheim was able to boast its own group of musicians who formed a band with a common purpose in mind – they loved music. This group would be active for a time, interest would fade, numbers would dwindle and finally the group would disband. After a time, renewed interest would encourage prospective band members to reorganize and become active once more and the pattern would repeat itself. The bands, which usually averaged 10 to 20 members in number, played for many occasions, including July 1st celebrations, school picnics, church functions and sometimes even funerals.



Bruderheim Brass Band, 1915.

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