

Czech family visits New Prague

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Dennis Dvorak of New Prague was helping with the sculpture, "Towering to Our Future," Wednesday, Aug. 9, and had a visitor, Martin Weiser, who was in town with his family from the Czech Republic.

Weiser, his wife, Jana Neupaeurova, and their three sons, Juro, Marko and Miki, are from Prague and wanted to visit New Prague during their vacation in the United States.

Weiser explained Jana had been an exchange student and had studied in Hastings. Her host family was Rita and Mick Humbert, with their daughter, Teresa. Jana had remained in contact with the family, so much that Jana refers to Teresa as her "American sister."

The two women attended each other's weddings. Teresa married Aaron Wickboldt and they had three children, Henry, Sammy and Allie.

Weiser said their family stayed in Arizona in March and April, then visited New York in May and in June they came to Hastings for a three month visit.

"This is the best way for our boys to learn English," said Weiser. He added their eldest son likes playing baseball.

During the family's visit to New Prague, they had Henry Wickboldt with them.

The group was able to learn about the art tower from local artist Kierstan Dahl-Shetka.



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The Weiser family from Prague, Czech Republic, back, from left, Miki, being held by dad Martin, Marko being held by mom Jana, front, from left, Juro Weiser and family friend Henry Wickboldt, were visited New Prague Wednesday, Aug. 9.

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