

Brown shares life stories in newly published book

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Local resident re-creates people, events in memoir.

Everyone has a story to tell, according to Joe Brown.

Brown, a 53-year-old Gothenburg resident, has taken the stories in his mind a step farther than most people.

He's written and published a book about his life—growing up, experiencing love and sorrow and finding his way “in this crazy thing we call life.”

“Man, What a Time—Man, What a Life: Stories of My Life and May Family” will be available at a book signing this Sunday at Walker's Steakhouse & Lounge, from 1:30 to 4 p.m.

The true memoir is set in rural Nebraska on a dairy farm near a small town called Farnam (population 200) where Brown grew up and graduated from high school in 1978.

Brown said he thinks the book will take people back to a simpler time when life was slower, family and friends important and lives not so busy.

The book is Brown's first. He also had an article about his dog “Gus” published in “Dog's World” magazine several years ago.

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