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## Pot Luck Dinner and Bingo

Please join us on Thursday February 11th at 6:00 pm at the Fridley History Center for our annual pot luck dinner followed by bingo. Each bingo winner will be able to make a selection from the prize table. This free event is sure to be a fun night!



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### **Fridley Historical Society**

Board & Committees

The Board of Directors meets at the History Center on the first Thursday of every month at 4:30 p.m.

#### Officers

President Dorothy Gargaro
Vice President Mary Ann Hoffman
Secretary Lori Greiner
Treasurer Judy Anderson

#### Other Board Members

Pete Bonesteel Mary Sue Meyers Allen Taylor

#### Committees & Chairpersons

Members interested in attending a committee meeting, please call the Chair to confirm time and date.

#### Archives

Pete Bonesteel — 763-572-1009

#### City & Family History

Dorothy Gargaro — 763-792-1080

#### Finance

Judy Anderson — 763-767-2566

#### **Fundraising**

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#### Maintenance Committee

Rick and Teresa Hitt 763-571-6310 Allen Taylor – 763-422-3878

#### Membership

Mary Ann Hoffman—763-780-5911

#### Newsletter Editor

Lori Greiner — 612-963-1485

#### Programs & Events

Mary Sue Meyers — 763-717-7987

# Fridley History Center Open House (FREE ADMISSION)

Open every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the Month

# **Upcoming Events**

All events at Fridley History Center unless otherwise indicated.

#### **Board Meeting**

Thursday February 4th 4:30 pm

#### Valentine Potluck and Bingo

Thursday, February 11th 6:00 P.M.

#### **Open House**

Saturday February 13th 11:00 am --3:00 pm Saturday February 27th 11:00 am --3:00 pm

#### **Board Meeting**

Thursday March 3rd 4:30 pm

#### Open House

Saturday March 12th 11:00 am --3:00 pm

#### Vintage Sale

Thursday March 17th through Saturday March 19th

#### **Open House**

Saturday March 26th 11:00 am --3:00 pm

#### **Board Meeting**

Thursday April 7th 4:30 pm

#### Open House

Saturday April 9th 11:00 am --3:00 pm

#### 26th Annual Lasagna Dinner, Sweepstakes, and Live Auction

The American Legion

Saturday, April 30th 4:15pm doors open, dinner served at 5:00pm

### Fridley Historical Society Board Meeting

Thursday December 3rd, 2015

Board Members Present: Mary Ann Hoffman, Pete Bonesteel, Dorothy Gargaro, Lori Greiner, Mary Sue Mey-

ers, Judy Anderson

Board Members Absent: Allen Taylor

Visitor: Mary Bonesteel

The meeting began at 4:36 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### TREASURER REPORT—Judy.

Our maintenance expenses for October totaled \$918 which included \$330 for the elevator, \$237.59 paid to Dave for the toilets, and \$172 and \$167 spent at Menards. Al will submit the receipts for Menards. Judy submitted the balance sheets for periods ending October 31st 2015 and November 30th 2015. Mary Ann made a motion to approve which was seconded by Mary Sue and all were in favor.

#### SECRETARY REPORT—Lori.

Lori will email the minutes of the Annual Meeting and we will review at the next board meeting.

#### Committee Reports:

**MAINTENANCE**—Al and Richard will work on the light fixture over the front steps. It is rusted and needs to be replaced. We will get two estimates from electricians. The window wood coverings on the west side of the building have been replaced and the furnace filter has been changed. Lori stated that Tom Heryla will assist will snow removal.

#### PROGRAMS AND EVENTS—Mary Sue.

The Hall of Fame induction ceremony was held on Saturday November 7th. Mayor Lund mayor spoke and the food was good. It was a well received event.

The 1920s Christmas exhibit is ongoing. We hope to have more visitors over the next few weeks

The Kindergarten art show is December 12th. Everyone bring 3 dozen cookies please.

Thursday February 11th at 6:00 pm is the date for the Valentine potluck bingo event.

On Saturday January 30th at 7:00 pm we will hold the Trivia contest.

Mary Sue will finalize the date that the Lasagne Dinner will be held.

#### MEMBERSHIP—Mary Ann.

Two new members were missed in the last news letter. Lori will include a welcome to Edward Meyer and Barbara Jackson in the next newsletter.

#### **DONATIONS:**

The Anoka County Historical Society donated an original brick from the Northern Pump Plant. The plant was established October 1940.

#### New business:

Manomim on Mississippi—Mary Ann and Dorothy. A discussion was held regarding whether we should have another Manomim on Mississippi tour. It may or may not be associated with 49er Days. The decision was that we will hold the event

Meeting was adjourned at 5:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Lori Greiner, Board Secretary

### Fridley Historical Society Board Meeting

Thursday January 7th, 2016

Attendance: Pete & Mary Bonesteel, Rob Zelenek, Judy Anderson, Mary Sue Meyers, Mary Ann Hoffman and Dorothy Gargaro

**Treasurer's Report**—Judy presented the Treasurer's Report. Mary Sue moved to accept the report as written, Mary Ann seconded it, and it was approved unanimously. Dorothy asked if we had received a check from the church for the \$25 monthly rent for allowing them to store their musical equipment; this money is earmarked to cover the \$332 we have to pay annually for the elevator's check up. Judy said we did not receive any money since they started coming here. Dorothy will contact Kevin and Stephen.

**Secretary's Report** —October Annual Meeting Minutes. Judy moved to accept it as written, Mary Ann seconded it, and it was approved unanimously.

Membership Report—Judy reported that we received \$72 in dues and \$33 in donations.

**Old Business**—Bob's Produce continues to sell our "Fridley History ~ Its History & People books" which were sold out during the holiday season! THANKS so much, Bob's!

#### Maintenance Report—

- \* Dorothy relayed the following information from Richard: the elevator is working just fine after having a solenoid replaced. The repairmen reminded us of the importance of always bringing the elevator to the ground level when not in use in order to save the cables that bring it up and down from stress.
- \* We need to replace the handicap accessible sign which includes an arrow pointing toward the back entrance of the history center. Dorothy will contact the head district custodian to request one. Mary Bonesteel said that we should also have a battery operated door bell at the back door. Judy offered to pick one up at Menards.

**Docent Schedule**—Mary Sue brought the 2016 Docent Schedule for each of us to sign up for a few dates.

**Programs & Events**—Mary Sue gave us the dates for the upcoming dates:

- \* Trivia Contest on Saturday, January 30th at the Fridley History Center
- \* Valentine Potluck and Bingo coming up on Thursday, February 11th at 6:00 P.M.
- \* Vintage Sale at the Fridley History Center on March 17th, 18th & 19th
- \* Lasagna Dinner/Fundraiser will be on Saturday, April 30th at The American Legion

**Newsletter**—We are hoping to get the next newsletter out before the end of January. Lori was not present at this meeting, so Dorothy will call her, and send the minutes of this meeting to her so they can be included.

**New Business** – Manomin on the Mississippi, Fridley's River History Tour will be in June, with the date to be determined soon per Mary Ann & Dorothy.

# Kindergarten Art Fair.

On Saturday December 12th the Fridley History Center held our annual Kindergarten Art Fair. The children proudly showed off their artwork to their families. Afterwards, many of them played in the school room and went downstairs to look at the Christmas display and have treats.



Volunteer Grace Norton helped an artist collect her artwork.



A mother and child admire the display.

On Saturday December 19th, during our Christmas in the 1920s exhibit, we were pleased to present a live jazz band concert. The appreciative audience even persuaded them to perform an encore.

Below and on the following page are pictures of the concert.



















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### It's Membership Renewal Time

Please fill in the 2016 renewal form below, make you check payable to the Fridley Historical Society, and mail it to us at 611 Mississippi St. NE, Fridley, MN 55432.

We are no longer sending out membership cards-your renewal will be acknowledged in the newsletter.



2015 dues: One senior—\$10, One individual-\$12.50, Family (2 adults, same household)-\$18.50 Please consider making an additional donation to help us reach our goals.

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