

# The Record

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# Please join us at the Fridley Hall of Fame Induction and Luncheon!

The dinner will be held on Saturday November 3rd, 2018 at 1:00 pm. Doors will open at 12:30 pm.

The purpose of the Fridley hall of Fame is to recognize and honor those individuals who, through dedication, work, and accomplishment, have contributed most significantly to the growth and success of the City of Fridley.

This year four people, Leon Madsen, Jack Kirk, and Pete Bonesteel and Mary Bonesteel, will be inducted. Each inductee will be presented with an award and their plaque will become a part of the Hall of Fame at the Fridley History Center.

The Fridley Hall of Fame is prominently located in the entrance to the Fridley History Center. All visitors pass through the Hall of Fame on their way into the History Center.

Tickets can be purchased by sending your payment of \$25 per ticket to the Fridley History Center at 611 Mississippi Street Fridley, MN 55432.

No tickets will be sold at the door. Tickets must be reserved no later than Tuesday October 30th, 2018 by calling 763-571-0120 and leaving a message for Mary Sue.

Please show your support for our Hall of Fame Inductees by attending.



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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

Mary Sue Meyers Allen Taylor Mark Bonesteel

## Committees & Chairpersons

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

### Archives and Exhibits

Mark Bonesteel — 763-331-1885

## City & Family History

Dorothy Gargaro — 763-792-1080

#### Finance

Judy Anderson — 763-767-2566

## **Fundraising**

Open —

## Maintenance Committee

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

## Membership

Mary Ann Hoffman—763-780-5911

#### Newsletter Editor

Lori Greiner — 612-749-3917

## Programs & Events

Mary Sue Meyers — 763-717-7987

# Upcoming Events

All events are at the Fridley History Center unless otherwise indicated.

### Open House

Saturday September 22nd 11:00 am—3:00 pm

## Annual Meeting and Pot Luck

Monday October 8th 6:00 pm

## Open House

Saturday October 13th 11:00 am—3:00 pm

## Open House

Saturday October 27th 11:00—3:00 pm

## **Board Meeting**

Thursday November 1st 4:30 pm

## Fridley Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

Saturday November 3rd 1:00 pm Fridley Community Center

## Open House

Saturday November 10th 1:00 am—3:00 pm

## Open House

Saturday November 24th 1:00 am—3:00 pm

# Open House, Grand Opening of Police and Fire Exhibit, and Coffee with the Cops

Saturday December 1st 11:00 am—3:00 pm

## Open House and Kindergarten Art Fair

Saturday December 8th 11:00 am—3:00 pm



## Save the Dates!

## Annual Meeting and Pot Luck Dinner

Monday October 8th 6:00 pm Please join us for an informative (and tasty) time at our annual meeting. Bringing something to share is appreciated, but not required.

## Police and Fire Exhibit Grand Opening

Saturday December 1st 11 am—3pm

Our new exhibit honors the courage and sacrifice of our police and fire department.

It will feature historical uniforms, pictures, and equipment.

As an added bonus, we will host Coffee with the Cops to coincide with this event.

## Kindergarten Art Fair

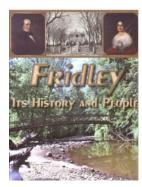
Saturday December 8th 11am—3pm
Join us as the students view their artwork with their families.
This event will include a visit from Santa, crafts to make and take home, and treats.

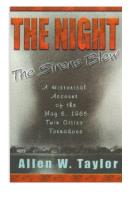
# Reminder that we have books for purchase at the history center.

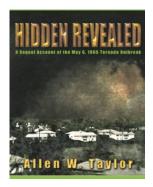
*Fridley—The History and People* by the Fridley Historical Society. Published in 2008, this book provides a wealth of historical and family information of the pioneer families that settled and built our community.

The Night the Sirens Blew by Allen Taylor. This second paperback edition presents an exhaustive and most comprehensive book written about the worst tornado outbreak ever to strike Minnesota. This book focuses on the two elements of informative and sometimes shocking accounts of the people who experienced and lived through those tornadoes and factual documented information from a meteorological view. The result is a fantastic, interesting read that will promote the reader to respect the incredible power of nature's most violent storm and heed the future warnings of these outbreaks.

*Hidden Revealed* by Allen Taylor. The night was one of the darkest in Minnesota history but it also became a shimmering light of hope and optimism. There are over 40 never before published photos which will take your breath away in the emotions that followed those storms.







# The Fridley Historic Home and Garden Tour

On July 22nd, 2018 the Fridley Historical Society, in association with the Anoka County Historical Society, hosted a home and garden tour in the Rice Creek area of Fridley. It was a step back in time to Fridley's most famous era, the 1960s: an age of tornadoes, strength, and rebuilding. Thank you to homeowners, volunteers, and guests who made this event a great success.



The daughter of Warren and Lilly Olson greets two guests at the tour.













This was just one of the scenes at 588 Rice Creek Terrace.



Here a visitor inspects the tornado shelter at 609 Rice Creek Terrace.

The original owners and family were in the shelter during the 1965 tornado. After the tornado had passed, they opened the shelter door to open sky. Their entire house was destroyed.

The current owners and family used this shelter during the 1985 Springbrook tornado.

## Fridley Historical Society Board Meeting

Thursday July 26th, 2018

Present: Mary Sue Meyers, Mary Ann Hoffman, Judy Anderson, Dorothy Gargaro, Lori Greiner, and Mark Bonesteel

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm.

Secretary Report: Lori submitted the meeting minutes from the June 29th board meeting. Mary Ann made a motion to approve, seconded by Judy, and approved by all.

**Treasurer Report:** Judy submitted the balance sheets as of July 31t 2018 and the Profit and Loss Comparison through July 2018. Mary Sue made a motion to approve which was seconded by Lori and approved by all.

## **Committee Reports:**

**Membership:** Mary Ann updated the board on the dues and donations received. Since our June 29th meeting recorded \$41.00 in dues and \$34.00 in donations. She will mail out 27 reminder letters for those who have not paid their dues as of yet.

**Programs and Events:** Mary Sue stated that the deadline for Hall of Fame nominations is July 31st after which time the committee will meet to review them.

**Archives and Exhibits:** Mark has purchased two sheets of glass for the cabinets and after they are installed he will pick up the rest. The grand opening for the new public safety exhibit is December 1st.

**Fridley City and Family History:** Dorothy announced that we will host Coffee With A Cop to coincide with the grand opening of the public safety exhibit on December 1st.

#### Maintenance:

The board thanked Judy for ordering the new security system. In order to install the new system we need to install an outlet by the entrance. We have received an electrical bid for the work. It will cost \$3,698 to replace the panel, add the outlet, and change ten light ballasts. It will be \$2,247 to just add the outlet and change the ballasts. Mark will reach out and get a bid from another company before we make a decision.

The board decided to table until the next board meeting the issues of the estimate for painting the entryway and the removal and replacement of the bushes in from of the center.

Mary Sue said that Don Meyers turned on the irrigation system and some of the sprinkler heads did not work. She will have Craig look at it.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Fridley Home and Garden Tour: Mary Ann said that she met with Rebecca from the Anoka County Historical Society and Julie from the city of Fridley to discuss the event. ACHS will prepare a report on the event which will include the total number of attendees and the financial results. We will be holding another tour next year on Sunday July 21st. In addition, we received \$54 in donations while the tour was being held.

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Franklin Templeton Account Update: Judy Anderson made a motion that the President and/or Secretary of the Board can sign on the Franklin Templeton account. The motion was seconded by Mary Ann Hoffman and the motion was approved by all.

New Lease from the School District: Judy is working on contacting the district office to get the new five year lease.

**League of Women Voters:** Dorothy stated that she was contacted by the League of Women Voters and they are looking for volunteers. It was discussed that since we are such a small group that we will be unable to assist.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm. Respectfully submitted, Lori Greiner

## Fridley Historical Society Board Meeting

Thursday September 6th, 2018

Present: Mary Sue Meyers, Mary Ann Hoffman, Judy Anderson, Dorothy Gargaro, Lori Greiner, Mark Boonesteel, Al Taylor

The meeting was called to order at 4:50pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Update on Unity Funding Split:** Dorothy reported that Gerry Maeckelberg updated her on the Unity Funding Split. It was decided that they would be storing the files at a facility that they own. A check for \$500 was submitted to us as a thank you for our work on this project.

**Secretary Report:** Lori stated that she had to buy a new computer and does not have the minutes from the July 16th board meeting. She will submit it for approval at the next meeting.

**Treasurer Report:** Judy submitted the balance sheet and the Profit and Loss Comparison as of August 31st 2018. Al made a motion to approve which was seconded by Mary Ann, and approved by all.

## Committee Reports:

**Membership:** Mary Ann updated the dues and donations received. Since the July 26th board meeting, she recorded \$217.50 in dues and \$337.50 in donations.

#### Programs and Events:

Fridley Home and Garden Tour. The tour was held on July 22nd 2018. Mary Sue reported that 124 tickets were sold. The Fridley History Center's portion of the profits amounted to \$1,268.00. We wish to thank everyone who attended, volunteered, and showcased their gardens and homes! We will hold another tour next year on Sunday June 21st.

**Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony:** Mary Sue said that the event will be held on Saturday November 3rd at the Fridley Community Center. Volunteers for the event will arrive early for set up.

**Annual Meeting and Potluck:** We will be holding the annual meeting and potluck on Saturday October 6th at 6pm. Everyone is invited to attend this free event to hear a recap of the events of the past year from our board members and to enjoy some delicious food.

**Coffee with the Cops:** Dorothy has arranged that we will host a coffee with the cops event at the Fridley History Center on Saturday December 1st. It will coincide with the Grand Opening of the police and fire exhibit.

Police and Fire Exhibit Grand Opening: Dorothy confirmed that the grand opening will be held on Saturday December 1st.

**Kindergarten Art Fair:** Dorothy reported that this popular event will feature young artists work and will be held on Saturday December 8th from 1-3 pm.

**Archives and Exhibits:** Mark installed the new security system and front door lock. He will demonstrate its use after the meeting. He is working on completing the police and fire exhibit and the antique fire extinguisher has been installed.

Newsletter: Lori will send the September/October newsletter to the printer the week of September 10th.

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## Fridley Historical Society Board Meeting (continued)

Thursday September 6th, 2018

Maintenance: Al stated that the air conditioner should be set to auto, not on, so that it shuts off because it is more energy efficient. The pest control company found no rodent problem on their recent inspection. A future project will be trim work on the lilacs and the school district will dispose of the trimmings. A new handicap sign will be place on the pole. The electrician replaced the ballasts and installed the outlet. The indoor switch will turn on and off the outlet outside. The electrical work was done at no cost to the history center because it was paid for by two unnamed people paid for it.

Plumber Update: Dorothy got an estimate on the meter replacement. She will obtain another one before a decision is made.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Board Member Role and Responsibility and Constitution and By-laws: Dorothy passed out copies for the board members to review.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 pm. Respectfully submitted, Lori Greiner

# Membership Update

Thank you to the following for paying their 2018 dues.

A name followed by an \* indicates that the renewal was accompanied with a donation up to \$50 while \*\* indicates a donation of \$50 or more.

We have generous members! Thank you!

Mary Aguilar\*
Lee Carlson\*
John Fitzpatrick & Annie White\*
David Harris
Barbara Hughes & Beth Hitomi\*
Richard & Teresa Hitt
Mary Huss\*\*
Byron Jensen
Kathleen Johnson\*

James Kordiak
Audrey Mahr\*\*
Ron Malcolm\*
John Perry & Susan Doak\*
Wendy Plum & Bill Plum\*
Mary Rozmark
Agnes Shaw\*
Norma Swanson\*
Al & Kathy Taylor

## Welcome to our Newest Member!

Karen Jacobson



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