Sibley County Historical Society
700 Main Street
Henderson, MN 56044
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 25, 2024 – 5:30 pm

Attending: Joy Cohrs, Becky Briggs, Diane Fredin, Verne Schlueter, Del Quast, Tom Frauendienst, Mike Reinhardt, Holly Harjes, Shirley Black

The January 2024 Meeting was called to order by President Joy Cohrs at 5:20 pm (started early since all board members were present.)

Agenda: Approve/deny January agenda. Shirley Black made a motion to approve the agenda, Tom Frauendienst seconded the motion. Passed

Minutes: Approve/deny November/December Meeting 2023 minutes. Diane Fredin made a motion to approve the minutes, Verne Schlueter seconded the motion. Passed

Treasurer Report: Approve/deny January Treasurer Report. Holly Harjes made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Becky Briggs second the motion. Passed.

Treasurer's Report/Discussion:

- We received our 1st Quarter payment from Sibley County.
- Charles Meyer's donation of \$30,000 was put into an Edward Jones account.
- Tom indicated that he has filed the sales tax.
- Exempt status has been done.
- Orkin: Check has not been cashed.
 - o The Foundation cracks have been filled in as per Orkin's recommendations.
 - Volunteers to watch for signs of rodents in the museum.
- Our membership number should be used when ordering from the Minnesota Historical Society.
- \$500 memorial received in memory of Veronica Braasch by Paul & Sue Rodewald.
- \$25 memorial received in memory of Veronica Braasch from Sonny and Karen Fandrey.
- \$50 donation from Lois Bode.
- Audit We need to set up a date/time to complete the yearly treasurer audit.
- We have some newsletters returned for invalid addresses. Diane Fredin volunteered to research those.

Old Business:

Grant- Joy: Our grant check is coming. Joy will contact the Architect to proceed with the roof assessment.

Anniversary-Holly/Diane Diane reported that Charles Meyer has requested for the Anniversary Celebration, we go with a robust Anniversary event/meal.

The 75th Anniversary will be celebrated on Memorial Day, May 27th, 2024 (which coincides with the opening day). Diane Fredin will Coordinate.

Holly reported that a video will be made by Susan, which will feature Arlene Busse doing a walk through the museum providing information on rooms and items.

Becky Briggs is also doing a slide show of the museum for the Anniversary.

Annual Meeting: Holly reported using the Arlene Busse narrated slide show for the annual meeting.

Newspapers-We have a plan!! Joy Cohrs reported that the team has a plan in place to ensure that all newspapers have been microfilmed.

Magnets – Joy Joy reviewed the anniversary magnets and asked for suggestions . There were none.

New Business:

Evolution-Verne Verne showed us his cap from the Evolution shop in Henderson, MN. Verne has paid the \$40 set-up fee for the SCHS logo. Please feel free to order SCHS clothing items.

Outside Faucet The faucet is very old and leaking. It is felt that a frost free faucet would be best. Tom will get Dennis Weber to look at it.

Advertising-Verne Verne suggested selling ads. No further discussion.

School Books There was a question about the school books being sold at the county libraries. Joy reviewed the history of some of the libraries selling books, while others chose not to.

Mail – Becky Becky was looking for an Ostrum Photo identification letter. Tom explained his collection and delivery of mail process. It was asked if the mail could be expedited to the Museum. Tom and Mike will work on this.

Photo viewer (info enclosed) A 3-D photo viewer has been made available to us by a member of the Lundgren Family of Gibbon. A motion was made by Holly Harjes and seconded by Becky Briggs to accept the Photo viewer donation.

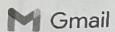
Obituary services form for approval: Joy showed the board the updated obituary service form. Everyone approved the updates.

Any other Volunteer Susan's mother passed away. The board sends our condolences to Susan and her family.

Sibley County Fair: Holly reported that they are thinking of using a "history of sports in the town" theme this year – with each town in Sibley County doing their own display.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted Shirley Black, SCHS Secretary



joy cohrs <joycohrs51@gmail.com>

Fw: 3-D photo viewer as a possible donation (& hi from NJ!)

8 messages

schs1@frontiernet.net <schs1@frontiernet.net>
To: Vicki Stock <vickistock0724@gmail.com>, Joy Cohrs <joycohrs51@gmail.com>

Wed, Dec 6, 2023 at 8:35 AM

--- Forwarded Message ----

From: Karrie Hanson karriehanson@mac.com
To: "schs1@frontiernet.net" <schs1@frontiernet.net>
Sent: Sunday, December 3, 2023 at 10:28:18 AM CST

Subject: 3-D photo viewer as a possible donation (& hi from NJ!)

Hello,

I'm a long-time member of your Historical Society as both my parents grew up in Sibley County (the Lundgren's from Gibbon and the Hanson's from Winthrop). Also my Uncle Chuck (Lundgren) was active with your group.

I have come across an old 3-D photo viewer that was my dad's. I was wondering if you might want it? It's kind of clever and cool - an aluminum viewer with a wood frame, outfitted with a sliding focal distance and a handful of scenes from old Minneapolis, frolics on a farm and some amazing road trip photos. I was thinking kids and visitors to your museum would get a kick out of it.

I'll enclose some photos below. If you want it, I would send it.

Thanks and Happy Holidays!

Karrie Hanson

4 attachments



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Obituaries located in the SCHS Surname files are copied below.

SCHS also has an extensive collection of the following newspapers on microfilm up to 1950: Arlington Enterprise, Gaylord Hub, Gibbon Gazette, Henderson, (Democrat, Monitor, Times and Independent), and Winthrop News.

*For a copy of obituary listed, provide name of deceased and date of death on the form below along with your name, address, etc.

*To request a search in the microfilm collection (fee of \$10./hour will apply), complete the remainder of the form along with your name, address, etc.

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- * Mailing fee is \$5.00
- * e-mail fee is \$5.00
- * When visiting SCHS same fees apply for copies made with personal phones/cameras.
- * Microfilm search Minimum \$10./hour.

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Name			
Street address		PO Box No	
City	State	Zip Code	
Phone	email		/s

INFORMATION REQUESTED

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Name of deceased:
Date of death:
For additional names use the back of this form
*Request an obituary search in microfilm files:(Minimum \$10./hr)
Provide full name of deceased along with also known names, other important information such as where they lived, birth and death dates, names of childre and marriage information, if known,
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A Free Activity Book for Kids

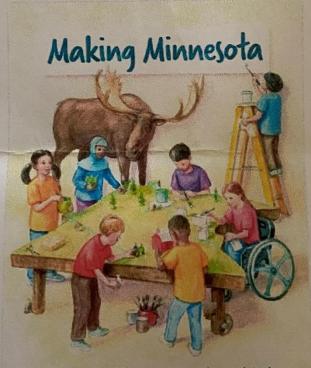
Full of information for kids of all ages, Making Minnesota offers activities to help readers engage with all things Minnesota—and the history that made it all possible.

Kids will create their own illustrations and drawings, maps, and lists of favorite places, all while discovering the many things that make Minnesota unique.

This book is completely FREE to Minnesota residents. Making Minnesota is made possible thanks to funding from the Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment.

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