



# The Record

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## The Fridley Hall of Fame

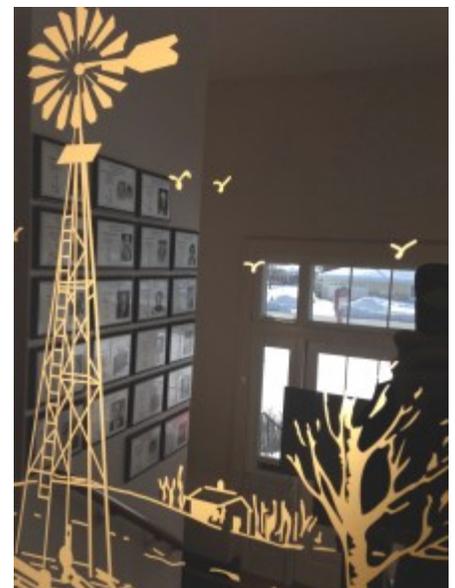
Each year, the Fridley Historical Society recognizes and honors those individuals who, through dedication, work, and accomplishment, have contributed most significantly to the growth and success of the City of Fridley.

Each inductee to the Hall of Fame receives an award and an individual plaque. The plaque becomes part of the Fridley Hall of Fame prominently located in the entrance of the Fridley History Center. All visitors to the History Center pass through the Hall of Fame.

The Hall of Fame consists of the honorees' plaques mounted upon the wall as well as a directory containing photographs and biographical information about each inductee.

Nominations received through July 15th will be considered for inclusion in this year's induction ceremony. Please mark your calendars to attend the ceremony on Saturday November 5th at the Fridley Community Center.

A view of the Fridley Hall of Fame at the Fridley History Center.



## 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

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### City & Family History

Dorothy Gargaro — 763-792-1080

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Open —

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### Membership

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## Fridley History Center Open House

Open every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the Month

(FREE ADMISSION)

## Upcoming Events

*All events at Fridley History Center unless otherwise indicated.*

### Open House

Saturday July 23rd 11:00 am—3:00 pm

### Board Meeting

Thursday August 4th 4:30 pm

### Trivia Contest

Saturday August 7th

### Open House

Saturday August 13th 11:00 am—3:00 pm

Saturday August 27th 11:00 am—3:00 pm

### Board Meeting

Thursday September 1st 4:30 pm

### Open House

Saturday September 10th 11:00 am—3:00 pm

Saturday September 24th 11:00 am—3:00 pm

### Board Meeting

Thursday October 6th 4:30 pm

### Open House

Saturday October 8th 11:00 am—3:00 pm

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

### Board Meeting

Thursday November 3rd 4:30 pm

### Hall of Fame Luncheon

Saturday November 5th 1:00 pm

Fridley Community Center

### Board Meeting

Thursday December 1st 4:30 pm

### Kindergarten Art Fair

Saturday December 10th

### A Totally Awesome 1980s Christmas exhibit

11:00 am—3:00 pm

Saturdays and Sundays November 19th through December 18th

## Manomin on the Mississippi tour

On Sunday June 26th, forty four guests enjoyed the narrated bus tour which explored an area that was known 170 years ago as Manomin, an Ojibway word meaning wild rice. Stops included a tour of a “secret” cemetery and the Banfill Locke-Center for the Arts followed by lunch at the historic Riedel House.

Below is a brief summary of the history of the places toured:

The Holy Trinity Episcopal Cemetery is located on the northeast corner of Mississippi Street and East River Road. The original Holy Trinity Chapel was constructed in 1858 and rebuilt after a tornado in 1925. In 1970 the church was bought by the Michael Severtus Unitarian Society and moved to a new location in Fridley. The last burial at the cemetery was in 1981.

The Banfill-Locke Center for the Arts is located at 6666 E River Road. Built in 1847, the John Banfill Wayside Inn was erected as a stop for soldiers and fur traders traveling on the Red River Trail. The Banfills sold the inn and in 1912 it was bought by the Locke Family who ran a dairy farm on the land and used it as their summer home. In 1989 it became the home of the Banfill-Locke Center for the Arts.

Built in the 1880's, the Riedel Farm Estate is the former home of dairy farmer Albin E. Riedel and is located at 5100 East River Road. Anoka County purchased the property in 1980 and it now serves as a special event facility.



The group picture includes:

Nancy Lambert who narrated the bus tour as Mrs. Matilda Rice.

Mayor Scott Lund and First Lady Cindy Lund as Abram and Betsey Fridley.

Julie Doth was the caterer and the brain child for the Manomin/Fridley History Tour & Lunch event.

Warren Woods as the Curator at the Secret Cemetery.

Mary Ann Hoffman as Ida Riedel.

CR Barrigan as Father Louis Hennepin.

Leon Madsen and Dorothy Gargaro as Mr. John and Nancy Banfill.

The following renewed their Fridley Historical Society dues between May 5th and July 7th.

A name followed by an \* indicates that the membership included a donation up to \$50 and  
\*\* indicates a donation of \$50 or more.

Bob Aldrich

Byron Jensen

Judy Anderson

Gary and Bev Larson\*

Donald Betzold\*

Gerald and Margaret Maeckelbergh\*

Bob and Dodie Burdick\*

Ron Malcolm\*

Stephen and Mary Eggert\*\*

Wendy and Bill Plum

John and Alice Ganter\*

Norma Swanson\*

Jim and Jan Golden\*

Agnes Wolf

**Welcome to our newest member:**

Katherine Mrozek\*

**Thank you for your support!**

**Fridley Historical Society Board Meeting****Thursday June 2nd, 2016**

In attendance: Allen Taylor, Judy Anderson, Mary Sue Meyers, Mary Boonesteel, Pete Boonesteel, Rick Hitt, Mary Ann Hoffman, Dorothy Gargaro, Lori Greiner, Mark Boonesteel.

Al made a motion to allow Mark Boonesteel to give a presentation.

\*Mark stated that Hilbert Voigt passed away two months ago and his daughter donated police equipment to the Historical Society which includes late 1950s to early 1960s police uniforms. He made a list of the items. The stipulation to the donation is that some of the items are to be displayed at the police department in Fridley. The Board needs to send a thank you to them for the donation. The Society needs to get another display case to put it behind glass because we need to secure items on display.

\*He had meeting with Fridley police chief to look at the hundreds of old police badges. They will be on display at the city hall. He requested one set of badges for the Society.

\*It would be good if we had a permanent display at city hall, like Coon Rapids has. One of the FHC board members needs to approach them.

\*He has scanned photos from the historical society on his computer. The goal is to allow people to view or order copies of the pictures. We should apply for a grant from the Legacy Grant from MN Historical Society. To make records available to the public we will need an inventory control program, printer, scanner, and computer. July 8th and October 14th are the deadlines to apply for a grant.

\*Mark works on our facebook page. He is going to start spot lighting new places.

\*We should see if we can upgrade our security system.

**Donations Received:**

\*The family of Patrick and Donna Peterson donated a class of 1971 Fridley stuffed tiger with buttons and band letter. Mary Ann will put it on display.

\*Pete and Mary Boonesteel donated a new American flag for display in the history center.

**Treasurer Report: Judy.**

The April and May balance sheet and May and April income and expenses were submitted. The income from exhibits reflects \$35 because we didn't get the Christmas costumes returned until March so it came out of 2016 business instead of 2015. In May she paid Jodee the \$350 standard rate and \$52 for updates to the website. Under Maintenance the carpet cleaning was \$184.00. Al made a motion to approve, Mary Ann seconded, all in favor.

**Secretary report: Lori—**

Judy made a motion to approve the May meeting minutes, Al seconded, and all approved.

**Membership: Mary Ann—**

As of May 5th dues received were \$120.50 and donations were \$56.50.

As June 2nd dues received were \$109.50 and donations were \$111.50.

Dues not received, she will mail out reminders and then Al will follow up with phone calls in a month or so after that.

**Maintenance: Judy and Al—**

The batteries for the security system have been replaced. Board members were being called in the middle of the night about a low battery message. It's been going on for months. Al called the company and spoke to a supervisor. He waived the fee for the tech to come out. They didn't know where the security zones are. He replaced all batteries for free and gave a list of the zones. He will give everyone a copy and post it. The problem was the heat sensor in the kitchen. Al has the technician's phone number. We have an apology letter that was sent to the board from the security company

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**Fridley Historical Society Board Meeting****Thursday June 2nd, 2016**

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**Maintenance—**

Al reported that we have two kinds of ants (carpenter and sand). The exterminator sprayed and put traps outside of the building for mice. He will come out every three months for the first year until it is under control and then every six months after that.

We now have security cameras for the history center that we will put up on the ceilings.

Al and Rick will install a security combination lock on archive room.

Rick reported that the lock on front door is not functioning perfectly and we will need to replace it at some point.

Mary Sue stated that we need new fire extinguishers.

Mary Sue reported that during the construction project, the lines to the sprinkler and timer were cut. Dorothy received a letter from the head custodian who apologized. Dorothy will talk to head custodian. Our phone lines were fixed.

The security light is on all the time. The custodian Dennis will have the technician who installed it make an adjustment.

The clean up date for the outside of the center is Tuesday June 21 at 8:30 am. We need to purchase wood chips (cypress mulch)

Mary Ann bought three fold up tables at Fleet Farm for a total of \$118.88.

Al extended thanks to Pete and Mary for the security cameras.

**City and family history: Dorothy—**In May there was a display at the library for Unity Hospital's anniversary. There was also a display for Memorial Day. The June display is for the 49er Days history and Redeemer Lutheran Church's anniversary.

3rd graders toured the History Center on Monday May 23rd. Dorothy and Mary Ann were docents and did a presentation.

**Lasagna dinner: Mary Sue—**The total for the raffle and donations was \$2,031 with expenses totaling \$1,173.37. We served 80 meals with income of \$3,957. The profit from the event was \$2,776 which was \$402.52 more than last year. Thank you letters will be sent to the donators of prizes and raffle items.

**Mississippi on the Manomin bus tour—**27 riders have signed up so far. We are putting out more advertising. We can take 45 people on the event. It will be an air conditioned bus.

**Trivia contest—Mary Ann—**The event will be held on Saturday June 11th. So far 16 contestants have signed up.

**Hall of Fame—**The committee will meet in July. Nominations are due by July 15th.

**Christmas exhibit: Mary Ann—**The committee will meet in July. Docents are needed. We will be open 10 times, Saturdays and Sundays from 11-3 November 19th through Sunday Dec 18th.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Greiner

## Fridley Historical Society Board Meeting

Thursday July 7th, 2016

In attendance: Allen Taylor, Mary Sue Meyers, Mary Ann Hoffman, Dorothy Gargaro, Lori Greiner

**Treasurer and secretary**—The reports were tabled until the next board meeting.

**Membership: Mary Ann**—As of July 7th we received \$105 in dues and \$116 in donations.

**Trivia contest: Mary Ann**—The contest was held on June 11th and was very fun. We cleared \$20 which Mary Ann gave to Judy. The next trivia contest will be held on Sunday August 7th.

**Maintenance: Al**—

The lock to the archive room will be installed.

Allen purchased 40 bags of chips and spread them out around the building.

Allen bought an electric trimmer.

A special thanks to Rick, Jacob Taylor, Noah Taylor, and Ed Bryant for helping with the chips!

Sprinkling system is supposedly fixed. We will need test it.

Dorothy sent an order to city hall to fix the security light.

**Manomin on the Mississippi bus tour**—We had a full bus of 44 people. It was a perfect day. We made \$111.43 profit after expenses were paid. The committee will meet next week to debrief.

**Hall of Fame**— It will be held on Saturday November 5th at the Fridley Community Center. Further information to come after the committee meets and decide how many people to induct.

**A Totally Awesome 1980s Christmas exhibit**—The exhibit will be open on Saturdays and Sundays November 19th through December 18th from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.

**Kindergarten Art Fair** — The display will be held on Saturday December 10th and everyone needs to bring cookies.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Greiner



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