



SHS Winter Membership Meeting January 21, 2012 1 PM Shakopee Library

The Winter that almost wasn't. We've enjoyed snow free days with temperatures above average for the last couple of weeks. But this morning the temperature was 1 degree above zero and it had snowed overnight making the roads and walkways slippery.

A perfect day to gather for our annual winter membership meeting.

President Jay Whiting called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM.

Fifteen members and one guest were present.

Motion to approve agenda by Pat, Lois, passed

Presidents report: President Jay reminded us of our 2012 dues payable today.

Elections: President Jay presented the slate of candidates (see attached sheet) and called for nominations from the floor. Lois Wendt nominated Kathy Siler to fill the one board member vacancy.

Pat Ploumen motioned for the closing of the nominations seconded by Don McNeil, passed. Lois Wendt moved for a white ballot of the nominees, seconded by Pat, passed.

Motion was made by Lois Wendt to thank President Jay Whiting for his service and for the time and work he has given to our society, seconded by Pat, passed with a resounding show of support to Jay from the members present.

Secretaries Report: Motion to accept as read by Don McNeil, Irene Powers, passed.

Treasurer's Report: Pat Ploumen submitted the Financial Statement (4th quarter report) showing a bank balance of \$8,179.96 and the Annual Financial Statement. See attached sheets. Motion to accept the same by Lois, Jerri Klein, passed. Pat also reported on the Gift Certificates that were presented to all the house tour members for all the three tours.

Membership/Club Excursions: Lois reported on the tour our members took of the Bjornberg home that took place in November which was a huge success and enjoyed by all that came. She also spoke of the upcoming Spring excursion with a possibility of going to Jordan to shop and browse in the various antique stores and lunch at the Feed Mill. Any ideas or suggestions from the members are most welcome for upcoming tours.

Pond Site: No report at this time, will wait until Joe is present.

Newsletter: Any suggestions for articles should be given to Don Wagner.

HPAC: Pat spoke to the members of the **H**istoric **P**reservation **A**dvisory **C**ommittee telling us of the need for volunteer to serve on the board. The board meets on the second Monday of the month. They canvas houses, buildings that are over 50 years old.

Arby's: Don McNeil and Joe Collins have been working on this project that is near completion. Don McNeil reports that there are 25 pictures that will be hung in the restaurant with most of the expenses covered by Arby's.

Perkins space: Was the site of the Peter Hauer farm pasture. The Hauer's house stood where the old Country Kitchen Restaurant, which now is an oriental restaurant, and the Hauer's barn is where the Super America Gas station is now located. This is the girlhood family home of Lorraine Ries.

Depot Story: Don Wagner and Eileen Schmitz are helping the Woodbury Historical Society with their Minnesota Surviving Depots Project. They are asking members to relate any information, remembrances, or stories of the Shakopee Train Depot to them.

Next Meeting: Board meeting will be February 16, 2012 at the Shakopee Library at 6:30 PM upstairs meeting room.

Next Membership meeting will be April 21, 2012 at the downstairs meeting room at the Shakopee Library at 1 PM.

Motion to adjourn at 1:32 PM by Don McNeil/Tom, passed.

An array of refreshments and savory coffee was served after which Guest Speaker Ton Melchoir spoke to the members. Tom a former teacher wrote and published on his own 4 books. His fifth and last book, NEVER FORGOTTEN was in collaboration with SCHS, relating stories by Scott County, Minnesota, WWII Veterans.

Tom spoke to us about the interview process and how much it affected him and the veterans as they told and relived their stories. Indeed their stories should **Never Be Forgotten**. Thank you Tom, for preserving history for us.

Respectfully submitted by, Eileen Schmitz, SHS Secretary.