



## **Shakopee Heritage Society Fall Membership Meeting October 19, 2013**

The morning sky was covered with dark, dense, gloomy clouds. It was 36 degrees at 07:00 hours, the ground was covered with wet fallen leaves, an all together good day to stay in bed. But no, wait; it is the morning of The Shakopee Heritage Society's Fall Membership Meeting and we have a treasury of items and thoughts to share with our Fellow history buffs. The clouds lifted and the sun even tried to shine. The temperature reached 45 degrees by the end of our meeting.

**President Joe Collins** called the meeting to order at 1:07 PM at the downstairs meeting room at the Shakopee Library. There were 13 members present.

**No additions were** made to the Agenda and motion to accept Agenda was made by Lois, Don Wagner, passed.

**Secretaries Report** read by Eileen, motion to accept same by Don McNeil/Jay, passed.

**Treasurers Report:** Pat Ploumen presented the last quarter Financial Statement. See attached sheet. There is a bank balance of \$9384.87. Motion to accept same Jay/Don W., passed.

**Derby Days Recap:** by Pat Ploumen. This year the weather was tolerable, we had a different booth lay out which gave us more visibility, we had more people stop by to visit with us and inquire about our organization and we made some money. See Pat's write up about Derby Days in our October Newsletter.

**Pond/Historic Park:** Jay reported to us that an archeological exam was done on the area that is slated for the walking path. At present the approximate area where the informational kiosk will stand is clear of any problems. Next step will be meeting with the Park Board, City Council for approval of any plans. We need to regroup the original committee and then start thinking of fund raising and having other organizations and businesses involved in the project.

**Framed Photos** that were hanging at the City Hall have been returned to us. The plan is to have the photos displayed at the Shakopee Library. Other suggestions for displaying the photos are the Shakopee Schools and the Community Center

**Web Site:** Jay is videoing our meeting today with the intention of uploading the video to our web site. This is in the experimental phase at present.

**Field Trip:** Lois reported on the success of the field trip in September. Please read her write up in the October Newsletter. She also asked for any ideas for future tour/trips.

**LeRoy Lebens' family donation:** The children of Loretta and LeRoy Lebens' donated various photos, slides, audio tapes, movies, of LeRoy's work. They'll all have to be looked at, cataloged and then decided on what the SHS will do with them. At present they are being stored at Jay and Melissa's.

**Membership:** We are all encouraged to spread the news about our organization and recruit new members. We are hoping to have our Society featured in the SVN in the future.

**Newsletter:** Send any news worthy items to Don Wagner. Any suggestions for further articles to be included in the Newsletter are welcome.

**Next Board Meeting** is November 21, 2013, a Thursday, at 6:30 PM at the Shakopee Library.

**Next General Meeting** is January 18, 2013, 1 PM at the Shakopee Library.

**Motion to adjourn** at 1:49 PM by Pat/Don McNeil, passed

**Guest Speaker:** Dave Greening was not able to attend due to a work related situation.

**After a break** for refreshments Don McNeil gave us a brief history of the making of "Shakopee Bricks" and the buildings that they were used in. His "talk" spurred on more discussion of bricks and how they are made and used. Don also had on display a brick from the cobble street that was located at the Minnesota State Capital in St. Paul, MN.

**Prize drawing** of a Shakopee Brick was won by Nancy Schmit.

**Thank you** to Don McNeil for his presentation and the donation of the brick.

Respectfully submitted by Eileen Schmitz, SHS secretary.