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*Deephaven Historical Society Newsletter*  
*Spring Report 2005*

### **Election Time!**



The annual Deephaven Historical Society election for board members and officers will be held May 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:30 AM at City Hall.

Enclosed in this mailing is one official ballot. You may mail or bring the executed ballot to Deephaven City Hall % Deephaven Historical Society, 20225 Cottagewood Road, Deephaven, MN 55331 by 8:30 AM Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. The ballot will be counted and certified by the Board/Officers at that time. The ballot represents the recommendations of the board as well as any other party interest in serving. If you wish to add a write-in candidate, please do so on your ballot.

Candidates for the three year board seats endorsed by the current board and officers are: Mark Read, Tim Alt, and Nan Nicolle. Candidates for Officers endorsed by the current Board and officers are: Bill Robinson (Pres.), Mary Lou Bennis (Vice Pres.), Maxine Dixon (Sec.)

### **New Members Welcome!**

Enclosed in this mailing are some enrollment brochures. We are actively seeking additional members to join DHS. We currently have 77 families and individuals who are members that represent nearly 125 people in and around Deephaven that contribute to the Historical preservation of our community. If you have a friend or neighbor, please encourage them to join now and not miss out on future opportunities to have an impact on the quality of life in Deephaven.

### **Summer DHS Picnic in the Works!**

A late July, or early August DHS picnic is being planned. DHS has contacted the Minnetonka Yacht Club as a possible site. Hopefully, we will be able to coordinate time and place with the Yacht Club. If not, back up plans will be made to get together in

Thorpe Park. A variety of activities will be planned. A great time should be had by all. The official time, date and place will be communicated in our next addition of the DHS newsletter.

### **Dear Fellow DHS members,**

I have served as President of DHS for the past four years, since its inception. I have had the great pleasure to meet with and work with some terrific people. The core group of DHS Officers and board members and interested folks that meet each month are some of the finest people I have had the pleasure to work with. We have built a solid organization that has lived up to our Charter of publications, preservation, and socialization. Over the past four years the DHS has sponsored the publication of "55000 Sunsets", gathered and restored five additional publications and made them available for purchase and published a quarterly newsletter. We have obtained authorization from the City to add a museum to the main City Hall building. We have maintained quarterly events to range from speakers to the annual "Minnehaha" Boat Cruise. We have sponsored the annual "Holiday Party" and much much more. After four years it is time to turn over the reins to another qualified leader. That will not be difficult as we have many. I will not run another term but will continue to serve in any capacity in support of the new administration.

Thank you to all who have contributed so generously to DHS. Please continue to be involved and please ask a friend or neighbor to be part of our wonderful organization.

Sincerely,

Tom L. Anderson

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2025 COTTAGEWOOD ROAD  
DEEPHAVEN, MN 553**

#### DHS Committees:

Finance	Dan Nelson	952-449-0730
Publicity/Publ.	Bob Gerlicher	952-474-7248
Museum Dev.	Tim Alt	952-470-8889
	& Mark Read	952-474-4091
Newsletter	Bill Robinson	942-473-3130

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