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New Interview and video equipment - meet OSO!  
Ideas? our parks?

Looking forward to storage space.

November 8, 2017

**Internet project update From Jack Kennelly**

*Since our last meeting*

I was invited by Joanne Foote of the City of Eagan to attend the October meeting of their Historical Society. I shared our online project and how when I uncover Eagan related materials I forward to Joanne for the group. I asked that when they find things related to Burnsville to please share with us. Unlike our group they have a stronger focus on their museum, collecting materials including a potato harvester. Like us, they are busy scanning photos and documents. They also have community groups meet at the preserved town hall.

I spoke by phone with Gail Lewellan a Mendota Heights resident who is involved with the National Register of Historic Places Oheyanwahe/Pilot Knob. They recently published brochure and I received approval to include portions on our website, since it ties directly to our Native American roots.

While on the internet I discovered the Burnsville Community Foundation. Mary Jo DeLise followed up to my e mail and provided access to hundreds of Burnsville photos including the 2014 Fire Muster, which was their 35<sup>th</sup>. Other major links were Winter lighting ceremonies, the ASCENT Sculpture and the statue at VanderLann Field dedications.

Also, from my contact earlier this year Kathy Schoen, Marketing Brand Manager for Valley Natural Foods provided us with scanned clippings and photos to tie into their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The Sun/ThisWeek News published a front-page story about our exhibit and the St. Paul Pioneer Press expanded on our initial press release. I continue to update our Facebook site and include the You know you are from Burnsville Eagan site.

Based on a lead from Mary Pat Kelleher we have been able to add photos from the Burnsville Lions and Rotary Clubs. And yes, I have finally found "some" photos for the Community Theatre of Burnsville and have made contact with Applause Community Theatre, the name the group now uses.

Each week I scan approximately 75 Burnsville Current photos at the Dakota County Historical Society. With the 1975 -1978 Currents now online I am able pull up the photos to identify the people or event surrounding the photo.

You will also notice new categories within the site including our 2017 exhibit.

And speaking of photos, as of this report we are nearing 6200 photos and documents online.

1. **Minutes of last meeting**
2. **Finance: Julie Schmit Suarez**  
recent contributions
3. **AMES Show take-down date and time?**
4. **Items:**

Other?

Yearbooks received!  
1963 scanned. Web hosting page designed and tested.  
Questions: Steps to acquire more books? Who will scan? Facebook Sharing?

Jack's Report - see right column

Digitizing:  
Scanning Burnsville Currents - We are in November 1979

Preparing BVCURRENTS - Flowpaper - We are in September 1979

Facebook postings - Thanks Jack!

FYI - MHS sends:

**138.053 COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY;  
TAX LEVY; CITIES OR TOWNS.**

The governing body of any home rule charter or statutory city or town may annually appropriate from its general fund an amount not to exceed 0.02418 percent of estimated market value, derived from ad valorem taxes on property or other revenues, to be paid to the historical society of its respective county to be used for the promotion of historical work and to aid in defraying the expenses of carrying on the historical work in the county. No city or town may appropriate any funds for the benefit of any historical society unless the society is affiliated with and approved by the Minnesota Historical Society.

Outreach

Vicki Roy - Schools - Ames Interview tomorrow at 10AM. including Vicki, Howard Hall and Gerry Ackerman