



The Little White Paper

The Monthly Newsletter of the Golden Valley Historical Society
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Thursday, May 12, 7 p.m. program...

Gould, Rock to review history of Native Americans in GV



Roxanne Gould (Odawa/Ojibwe) and James Rock (Dakota) are guest speakers for the Society's membership meeting on Thursday, May 12, at the Society's historic church and museum.

Roxanne received her doctorate at the University of Minnesota in education with her research em-

phasis on global Indigenous education and leadership. She also holds an M.A. in Educational Psychology and Counseling and B.A. degree in American Indian Studies.

Roxanne currently teaches at Augsburg College and works as an independent consultant for organizations such as Natives in Philan-

thropy, Indian Health Board, Migizi Communications and the Division of Indian Work.

James has a Masters degree in education and has taught astronomy, chemistry and physics for almost 30 years. He has taught courses in Native Skywatchers Astronomy and American Indian Philosophy at Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College, the Science Museum of Minnesota, Macalester College, and at the University of Minnesota's Indigenous Summer Science and Math Program in partnership with the American Indian Science and Engineering Society.

The meeting is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served following the program.



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April review...

Panel tracks history of race relations

At the April 14 general membership meeting a panel discussed the evolution of race relations in Golden Valley. "Linking the Past to the Present" featured Golden Valley Human Rights Chair Christopher Jordan and Human Rights Commissioner Marion Helland, former mayors Rosemary Thorsen, Mary Anderson and former consultant to the Commission, Gene Sylvestre.

Fifty-two members and guests were informed by a power point presentation and anecdotes from the 1970's, including stories about the group Action Now.



Water management is next investment

The Golden Valley Historical Society has invested \$116,000 in major renovation projects since 1997 when the historic church was acquired. Eight major projects have been funded toward the goal of a Golden Valley Historical Museum. The next one – basement water management with drain tiling – will be coming our way soon.

City, Society plan interesting anniversary events

MAY 21, Brookview Park – Golden Valley Festival – The Society display will include aerial photographs, still photos, neighborhood maps, the locations of homes at least 100 years old, DVD histories of our community (for purchase), and numerous other items of community heritage. The display will be open to visitors from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. (weather permitting). Stop by the small brick picnic shelter and visit with us. (The small brick picnic shelter was built and paid for by the Golden Valley Rotary Club – note the brass plaque inside the shelter.)

MAY 21, Historic Bus Tour of Selected Sites in Golden Valley – Board a 1950's vintage Rapid Transit Bus at the city hall parking lot between 1:30 and 2:00 for a guided tour of selected sites of historical interest. Return to the point of departure at about 3:00. **Reservations must be made no later than May 13.** A fee of \$10.00 per person is payable to the Golden Valley Historical Society, 7800 Golden Valley Road, Golden Valley, MN 55427. There is limited capacity so make your reservation as soon as possible. Include a name and phone number for each passenger reserved. Contact Secretary Don Anderson at 763-588-8578 or maryanddon3030@aol.com with any questions.



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SEPTEMBER 7, Luncheon Honoring 75-Year Residents of Golden Valley. Residents of

Golden Valley for 75 years or more are being invited a luncheon at the Golden Valley Golf and Country Club on Wednesday, September 7. Those residents who are eligible will be the honored guests of the Society and will receive commemorative photos, a special gift, and be recognized by leaders in our community. **Names and contact information for eligible residents should be given to Nancy Azzam (shazzam45@aol.com) or Don Anderson (763-588-8578) no later than May 15.** Contact Nancy or Don for more information.



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SEPTEMBER 18, Douglas Drive Ninth Annual Antique Road Show – presented by the Golden Valley Historical Society and Heather's Estates, 2900 Douglas Drive, Crystal, MN 55422. Attendees may bring up to 5 items to be appraised by Appraisal Specialists Midwest. Professional appraisers Bonnie Lindberg and James Marrinan will provide an oral appraisal of each item. They are not equipped to appraise items like dolls, watches, jewelry, large art or large furniture however, so do not bring those. Items to be appraised should be brought to the Heather's between 1:30 and 2:00 p.m. Appraisals will be conducted from 2 to 4:00. A donation of \$5.00 per item will go to the Golden Valley Historical Society museum rehabilitation fund. A \$1.00 donation is requested for observers who do not bring items for appraisal. Reservations

are required due to limited space. Call Secretary Don Anderson, Golden Valley Historical Society at 763-588-8578 or Ms Judy Brown, Manager, The Heathers Estates at 763-544-1220 with questions.

ALL SUMMER – Join in the fun of exploring Golden Valley history with your GPS. Go to the geocaching website <http://www.coord.info/gc1c2q8> and search via GPS for the historic locations and final treasure.

Share your stories...

Golden Valley residents asked to write accounts of living in the city

If you would like to share your experiences of residing in Golden Valley, to be published in these newsletters, write a detailed account and send us your name, address, and phone number for questions. Mail articles of 500 words or less, to Golden Valley Historical Society, 7800 Golden Valley Road, Golden Valley, MN 55427. Articles will be published in the next available newsletter space.

New members

Barbara Britain, 4248 Oakmede Lane, White Bear, MN 55110.

Teresa Raymond, 9326 Golden Valley Road, Golden Valley, MN 55427.

Please greet Barbara and Teresa at our next general membership meeting.