



# The Little White Paper

The Monthly Newsletter of the Golden Valley Historical Society  
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## November 8 program...

### Winkley makes hi-tech artificial limbs

Winkley has made artificial limbs since the Civil War, first in downtown Minneapolis and now in Golden Valley. Greg Gruman represents the fifth generation of family members to head the company. The program will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Society's



Greg Gruman

historic church, 6731 Golden Valley Road.

Refreshments will be served following Gruman's presentation. The meeting is free and open to the public. Bring a friend to this wonderful story about advances in making artificial limbs



### Long time resident Edward Jordan dies

Edward Jordan, one of the 11 oldest residents of Golden Valley, passed away on October 15 after a brief illness. Jordan had just celebrated his 98th birthday. A prominent Golden Valley resident, he served on the Planning Commission for several years and was a contractor and developer in the City. He built and operated the strip shopping center on the West side of Winnetka Ave just north of Golden Valley Road before it was acquired by the City and the land was redeveloped for new commercial and residential uses. A very friendly person, Jordan was always eager to tell about his own and his family's history in our community. He also was a Life Member of the Golden Valley Historical Society. Jordan was honored at two special luncheons at the Golden Valley Golf and Country Club for Golden Valley's longest residents, the last this past year as part of the 125th Anniversary of the City of Golden Valley. Rest in Peace, Ed. You will be remembered always.



Winkley employee, Mike Hodges, Certified Prosthetic Assistant, works in the prosthetic lab. (More photos on back)

### New year brings interesting programs

**December 13** – Pam Weise, president of the Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden Society brings us the history of Eloise Butler and the founding of the Wildflower Garden.

**January 10** – Doug Ohman of Pioneer Photography will present part three of his small boat journey down the Mississippi River, from Hastings to the Iowa border. As usual, Ohman's photo talents and

stories based on the history of the river will delight his audience.

**February 14** – Bill Ewald, great grandson of Chris Ewald, will tell of the history of the Ewald Dairy and family. Ewald has had to postpone this program several times due to business travel, but has promised that he will be able to be at our historic church in February.

From the president...

## 2012 was a banner year for the Society

From new roof gutters to new basement drain tile, the Golden Valley Historical Society has had a banner year from top to bottom: monthly speakers at the Society, special 125th Celebration events\*, Golden Valley Days displays, weddings, a new cement sidewalk and entryway, updated children's programming, artifact archiving, antique appraisal events\*\*, new board members – it has been a busy and productive year.

We look forward to carrying this momentum forward into the 2012-2013 fiscal year. And, in the year ahead, we are excited about the prospect of adding a Capital Campaign to our program, to create our long envisioned museum/display

space, in order to better showcase Golden Valley history and enhance the Golden Valley Historical Society as a resource for the community. This will be our biggest and most ambitious project in a long time, so we welcome your participation and support, as together we shape the future of the Society.

**Ken Huber, President**

\*Who can ever forget Marshall Tanick and Blair Tremere singing "Rag Time Gal" at the 125th Anniversary time capsule ceremony?

\*\*The Public Broadcasting Company says that we're no longer permitted to refer to this as our "Antique Roadshow" event! That title is copyrighted by PBS.

## Residents attack buckthorn during Volunteer Day

On Saturday, October 6, ten Golden Valley Volunteer Day volunteers arrived at the Historic Church to attack buckthorn and other noxious weeds around the perimeter of the property. Huge piles of wood were cut and hauled away.

## Chair, phones donated

The Spirit of Hope Methodist Church donated a tiny child's school chair, circa 1898.

Mary and Don Anderson donated two telephones, circa 1920, and circa 1940, and a box of old newspapers with prominent headlines.

## Help research history of city streets

The Society is starting another project, to find out how the public streets in Golden Valley came to be named. For instance, Janalyn Circle in Tyrol Hills was named by the area's developer, John Enghauser, after his daughter Janalyn. Betty Crews came up with this excellent idea and the board of directors thought it was well worth pursuing. Do you know how your street got its name? If you have some details

about it, we would like to hear from you. Next, would you like to become a Society's researcher and investigate how other streets got their names? Volunteer to become a committee member on this project. It will be a fun adventure. Contact Secretary Don Anderson with information about your street's history, or, to become one of the street "detectives" and serve on this committee.

## Dry fall drains Minnehaha Falls

Minnehaha Falls is dry! No water falls over this famous landmark due to our severe drought conditions...the driest recorded since the 1930's. Member Cathy Waldhauser says: If you still have hoses out, deep water your trees, evergreens and any new plants before the ground freezes, and have 3-4 inches of insulating mulch around your plants and over any exposed soil.

## more Winkley lab photos...



◀ Selection of artificial knee joints

▶ Cate Braun, Certified Prosthetist, makes adjustments to a patient's prosthesis.

▶▶ Patient checks fit of adjusted limb.

