

## Paynesville Area Historical Society

Established 1969

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To Preserve and Promote the History of the Paynesville Area

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Dear Current and Potential members of Paynesville Historical Society,

Thanks to each of you for your memberships, donations, and volunteer work last year. Due to your generosity, we were able to achieve many of our goals, and complete various projects.

Some of our accomplishments this past year include:

- Adding a dedicated research room to the museum
- Residing the Brown Country School
- Refurbishing the outdoor mural on the south side of the museum in collaboration with nine volunteers, including art students from Paynesville High School
- Installing an electronic sign near the road
- Installing a ceiling mounted LCD projector

We are excited about future endeavors of the museum in 2024. We will be hosting a Kid's History Camp one day a month in June, July, and August. This provides an exciting opportunity to engage young people in the history of Paynesville and Minnesota. A new website will be launched in February 2024, providing vital information to expand our reach to all people. Two new capital projects are being considered: a free-standing building to house our agricultural artifacts and expanding and resurfacing our parking lot. With your help we will continue to improve the museum and expand outreach to Paynesville and surrounding communities.

Please renew your Paynesville Historical Society membership of only \$50 per household. We also encourage additional donations to help us with our capital projects and budgetary expenditures. For new members, we look forward to engaging with you. Paynesville Historical Society exists because of the support of people like you – former and new members - who are interested in the preservation of Paynesville history. Thank you!

Please complete the enclosed membership slip and return it with your payment by January 31, 2024.

Thank you for your support and generosity!

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