## Let's welcome Spring with a SALE!



## UPCOMING SPEAKING EVENTS:

The story of a WWII undercover teenager, Agnes Daluge, that lived out her days in Eden Prairie.

EP Historical Society will present a Power Point presentation with actual artifacts from the Bayarian Villa.

#### Vicki Pellar Price

To speak on Elizabeth Fry Ellet who named Eden Prairie in the 1800s

WATCH FOR UPCOMING DATES

## HISTORY MUSEUM NEW HOURS

Mondays 2 - 5pm

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# The Prairie View

Spring 2022



With the responsibility to protect its past, the Society's mission is to: gather, preserve and protect Eden Prairie's historic artifacts and memorabilia; share the stories of its people and places with audiences of all ages; and foster an understanding and appreciation for historic preservation.

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### **Dear Historical Society Members,**

A Minnesota short movie was filmed at the CPG House in January. We made \$1,000 in two days for the use of the Historic Home. The film is called "The Doll" and is around 8 minutes long. It will be shown at the Z-Fest Film Festival.

The full-length featured movie "Preserved" is on hold as they lost their funding due to lack of snow. There is still hope for next year.



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We are partnering with The Prop Shop to host an all antiques **Vintage Sale** on **May 6th and 7th** at the CPG House. We will be offering tours of the newly restored upstairs.

May 25th we will host our 2022 Annual Meeting for our EPHS Members. We will welcome new memberships at the door for \$20.00 per family annually. We have a gifted, wonderful speaker, Carol Kissner, who researched for over two years the old plots at the Eden Prairie Cemetery.

Our museum has reopened after some restructuring. The hours of the Museum at city hall have changed to 2pm to 5pm on Mondays. Board Member Tom Achartz is now our Museum Curator. We thank Board Member Ann Higgins for her many years of service in the Museum, and we are grateful that she can continue to help. If you would like to make an appointment for a special opening of the the Museum or a tour at the CPG Homestead, please call 952-949-8580.

We hope to see you all at the Annual Meeting. Thank you for your continuous support.

Sincerely,

**Kathie Case, President** Eden Prairie Historical Society

## On location at CPG House

Our charming farmhouse - cast in a horror movie

From EPLN's article by Stuart Sudak 'Historic Eden Prairie House takes a star turn', February 2022

#### 'A dream come true'

Alex Arredondo, who studied film at Minneapolis Community & Technical College, is making his directorial debut with "The Doll." Besides being the director and writer, he also raised \$10,000 through a GoFundMe page to produce it.

General screenings of "The Doll" and other Z-Fest entries will happen late April at Emagine Willow Creek Theater in St. Louis Park.

"This was a dream come true," Arredondo said. "Small scale as it is, you got to take in every single victory to treasure."

Though "The Doll" is a horror story, the chills are psychological. He wants viewers to experience a sense of dread as they're watching the story unfold. "I feel like the horror in this isn't coming from the supernatural," he said. "It's not coming from the doll. It's coming from human nature."

Arredondo doesn't want to give too many spoilers away. He did offer this short synopsis: A young girl named Violet finds a doll in the woods and unknowingly makes a deal with a demon when she brings it home.



Writer-Director Alex Arredondo and actor Lee Fillingsness, of Hopkins, film "The Doll' at the Cummins-Phipps-Grill House.

Equipment outside the Cummins-Phipps-Grill House during the filming of "The Doll."





"She had suffered through the loss of her mother," he explained. "She doesn't know exactly what happened to her yet. She lives with an abusive dad but we don't exactly see that portrayed on screen. We kind of subtly hint at it. She finds this doll that's a conduit for this entity. We're going to leave that ambiguous to leave everything a mystery. The less you see the more scary it is or the less you know the more scary it is."

"We even found a stretch of woods next to the house that we played off as a forest," he said. "The house was just so gorgeous to shoot. The aesthetic was just perfect for what we're trying to go for."

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## **2021 Annual Meeting with Steve Kobs**



STEVE KOBS
Our guest speaker on the
Flying Cloud Drive-in

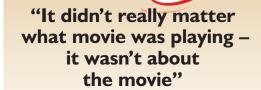
What a beautiful night – perfect for an outdoor movie or reminiscing the historic Flying Cloud Drive-in Movie Theater.

Steve Kobs presented the history of his Great Uncle, Otto Kobs, his journey from the National Guard to entrepreneur, the start of the Flying Cloud Drive-in.

Steve's presentation was fun and informative!

We appreciate his fabulous sense of humor and his passion to keep history alive. Steve traveled all the way from New Mexico to share his story with us! He is also still a member of the Excelsior Historical Society and has helped us many times with research and inquiry into historic questions.

Thank you Steve for a wonderful evening!



Steve Kobs on the Drive-In experience

Picnicking outside, listening to live music by the band "Flashback" and enjoying the warm September weather





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1963 Buick owned by Paul Thorp