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P.O. Box 305, Excelsior, MN 55331 or join or give
online at www.elmhs.org.*

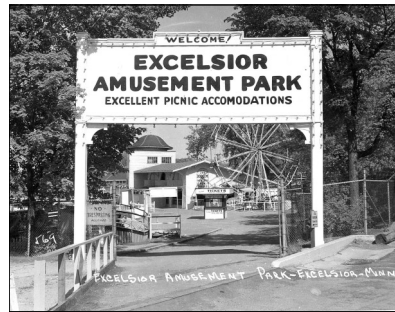
The Society is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization.



VOLUNTEERING

The Society is staffed entirely by volunteers and welcomes people of all ages and abilities to assist in many different areas including:

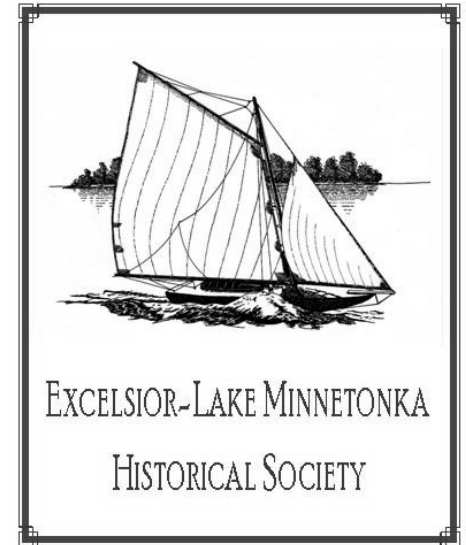
- ◆ The Archives
- ◆ The Museum
- ◆ Publications
- ◆ Public Programs
- ◆ Fundraising
- ◆ Publicity and Marketing



DONATION OF ARTIFACTS

Donations of historic artifacts, photos and documents pertinent to the south Lake Minnetonka area are welcome for preservation in our Archives or display in our Museum. (Due to space limitations, the Society reserves the right to decline certain donations.)

*Please contact us at
info@elmhs.org or call
(952) 221-4766 to learn more about
how you can help.*



OUR MISSION

*To preserve, document and classify
the physical history of
the Lake Minnetonka area.*

*To provide a means by which everyone
can share in the history of the lake area.*

*To stimulate interest in
the cultural heritage of the area.*

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FOUNDED IN 1972, the Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Historical Society (ELMHS) collects and preserves the history of the Lake Minnetonka area, particularly Excelsior, Deephaven, Greenwood, Shorewood, and Tonka Bay, Minnesota. Our Archives and Museum are free and open to the public, and contain a large collection of historical artifacts, photographs and documents. The Society also regularly presents programs on topics of local historical interest, offers programs for youth and publishes and sells books about Lake Minnetonka history.

ARCHIVES

The Society's Archives hold local historic records including photographs, maps, newspapers, historical Excelsior vital records and other materials of special interest to genealogists and those researching building and house history in the area.

LOCATION: The historic Excelsior Public School building, Suite 102, Lower level,
261 School Avenue,
Excelsior

HOURS: 10 am-1 pm,
Wednesdays and the second
Saturday of the month, or by appointment.



Excelsior Public School

MUSEUM

The Society's Museum houses artifacts and exhibits about the south Lake Minnetonka area including the Excelsior Amusement Park, lake tourism, Excelsior High School, local businesses, and the famous Lake Minnetonka sailing vessel the *Onawa*.



Our Museum

LOCATION: 305 Water Street, Excelsior
HOURS: May-October,
Tuesdays and Saturdays.
Visit www.elmhs.org/
museum or contact us at
info@elmhs.org or 952-221-
4766 for current hours.

EXCELSIOR-LAKE MINNETONKA HISTORICAL SOCIETY MERCHANDISE

A Directory of Old Boats by Scott D. McGinnis.

A comprehensive illustrated history of Lake Minnetonka's historic steamboats, sailboats and launches.

A Picture Book of the Excelsior Amusement Park from Rise to Demise, 1924-1974 by E.L.M.H.S.

A photographic history.

Excelsior Amusement Park, Playland of the Twin Cities by Greg Van Gompel.

A detailed history of the Excelsior Amusement Park.

Excelsior's Waterfront by Scott D. McGinnis.

An illustrated history of the Excelsior Commons and the Excelsior docks.

Happenings Around Wayzata by Ellen Meyer.

A chronicle of Wayzata from 1853-1953 with historic photos.

Hezekiah Brake-Excelsior Pioneer by E.L.M.H.S.

The life and adventures of one of Excelsior's first settlers, told in his own words.

Historic Excelsior by E.L.M.H.S.

An illustrated description of historic sites as designated by the Excelsior Heritage Preservation Commission.

Images of America: Lake Minnetonka by the Excelsior, Wayzata and Westonka Historical Societies.

A pictorial history of Lake Minnetonka.

Lake Minnetonka's Historic Hotels by Ellen Meyer.

An illustrated documentation of turn-of-the-century, grand old Lake Minnetonka hotels.

Picturesque Deephaven by Ellen Meyer.

A pictorial history of Deephaven, MN.

Picturesque Minnetonka Originally published by S.E. Ellis.

Reprint of a 1906 Lake Minnetonka tour guide.

Tales from Tonka by Ellen Meyer.

A collection of stories about the Lake Minnetonka area.

Walking the Trails of History *A Tour Guide to Historic Places in Excelsior, Minnesota* by E.L.M.H.S.

Two self-guided tours of historic Excelsior. Reprinted 2013.

Note Cards: Map of Lake Minnetonka, 1876, *Onawa* sailboat

Maps: Excelsior, 1898, Lake Minnetonka, 1892 (framed) and 1896.

Books may be purchased online at www.elmhs.org, by mail, at our Archives and Museum and from local merchants. For more information contact the Society at info@elmhs.org, 952-221-4766 or Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Historical Society, P.O. Box 305, Excelsior, MN 55331.

MEMBERSHIP

Society Members shape our policies and programs, and support our work in preserving our area's history.

Annual member benefits include:

- ◆ Discounts and special member privileges on select opportunities
- ◆ The Society's newsletter and mailings
- ◆ Invitations to special events
- ◆ Voting privileges

Membership Levels: (check one)

- \$500 Platinum
- \$250 Gold
- \$100 Silver
- \$50 Bronze
- \$45 Household
- \$25 Individual
- \$15 Senior/Student

GIVING

Financial contributions support everything from the restoration and storage of the Society's historical textile and costume collection to photograph and document preservation and digitization.

- I would like to make a special contribution to the Society \$ _____

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