# Territorial News.

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Summer 2012 Volume 1

#### REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SCHEDULE

Meetings are held at the Associated Bank Building,
Room 103, 176 Snelling Ave. St Paul, MN 55104
This room is off the main hallway of the atrium, before you enter the inside bank.
The meetings start at 10 AM. All are welcome to attend.

July 21, 2012

August 4, 2012 - Training Pienie

August 18, 2012 September 15, 2012 October 20, 2012 November 17, 2012

ANNUAL DUES WERE DUE ON MAY 1, 2012

All Annual members have an (A) after their name.

If you have an asterisk \* than you owe dues for 2012.

See inside for more details

# IT'S COMING! IT'S COMING!

The Minnesota State Fair
Thursday, August 23 through Monday
Labor Day, September 3, 2012

#### **BOARD NOTES**

We start the new fiscal year saying goodbye to board member, **Teri MacNabb**. She was our assistant Treasurer and had served on the board previously. She said when the kids are older, she will be back. We will miss her. We welcome back returning board members, **Craig Lindeke**, **Alex Casebolt** and **Katie Mytty**. Katie will be the new Social Chair. Craig served on the Board, as Treasurer, many years ago and decided that time has come to rejoin the fun. Alex is the site manager of the Steeple View building. **Michael Hecht**, from Waconia, is the newest member to the Board. Returning board members are: **Mary Vavrosky**, **Emilie Casebolt**, **Mike Robin**, **Richard Sandeen**, **Joe Malinovsky**, **Mary Casebolt**, **Amy Jensen**, **Bill Casebolt**, **Veronica Sletten**, **Sam Fudenberg**, **Richard MacNabb** and **Kay Harsila**.

As we approach this year, we realize that our expenses will be greater than our income, due to the new building. Later in this newsletter, you will see some special requests for donations. We are writing for grants and hopefully, we will receive a few. The budget is a topic of discussion at most of our board meetings. Money, that necessary evil, is what we need. If you look at our financial statement, we do have money, but it is allocated to special funds, according to our by-laws, such as the scholarships, restoration of our artifacts and portraits, guaranteed funding for the continuation of our organization etc. and these monies cannot be touched except for what they are designated for. Any donation, large or small, is appreciated. Keeping that in mind, please check your address label to make sure that you are caught up on your dues.

\*\*Thank You.\*\* the Board of Directors\*\*

# 2012 Dues Information

Annual dues are: \$30.00 per year

If you are a Senior (age 65 +) your annual dues are \$25.00.

If you have **TWO** asterisks \*\* than you owe dues for 2011 & 2012.

i.e. 2011 dues = \$24.00 2011 dues = \$24.00 2012 dues = \$30.00 or 2011 dues = \$25.00Total due = \$54.00 Total Dues = \$49.00

If you **do not** have an asterisk(s), you have already paid.

Dues should be mailed to the office in St. Paul.

Please send your genealogies, your family stories, especially the Civil War, Dakota Uprising ones, as this is the Sesquicentennial of both events.

\*\*Tary \*\*Oavrosky\*\*\*

# In Memoriam

#### John P. Arnold, DVM

Past President and father of

Margaret Parenteau & Phillip Arnold)

#### Kenneth Cashin

(Husband of Muriel)

Charles E. Dusbabek

Francis Goble

Georgianna Haas Knapp

Clarice (Chris) Matteson

(Former Board Member)



Marilyn Minea (Wife of Eugene)

Edward Pekarik

(Husband of Laurie)

J. Valerie Latvalla Rowe

Lester E. Saefke

LeRoy Torkelson

Marie Trevis
(Mother of Carolyn)

Please join us in wishing their family members our sympathy.

# 2012 New Members

The General Membership approved the following individuals as regular members of the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc. at the 2012 Annual Membership Meeting.

Gary E. Brothers	Rosina Spensler Ziebarth	Wright County - 1856
Steven G. Brothers	Rosina Spensler Ziebarth	Wright County - 1856
Sheila H. Burt	George Washington Rice	Dakota County – 1857
Michael A. Gilgosch	Benjamin LaFond	Ramsey County - 1847
Mary K. Gross	Michael Shelley	St. Anthony, MN - 1855
Marlys L. Huss	Joseph Schmitz	Brown County – 1857
John M. Lammers	Frederick W. Lammers	Chisago County - 1845
Dominika R. Walsh	William Teft Bly	Fillmore County – 1853
Natalia E. Walsh	William Teft Bly	Fillmore County – 1853

# 2012 Annual Luncheon

The Pioneers and their guests gathered at Ideal Hall in St. Paul on May 12 for the 2012 Annual Membership Meeting and Luncheon. Welcoming remarks were made by President Bill Casebolt and Richard Sandeen gave the luncheon invocation. Fifty-eight people attended the luncheon, which was an Italian buffet. Everyone enjoyed the food.

**James Dahlgren,** was unable to attend but sent a thank you to the Pioneers for the honor of being chosen this year's Scholarship winner. **Catherine Harrison** was awarded Pioneer of the Year, which she stated she was surprised and honored to receive this award. We honored **Steven Trimble** (author) with the Minnesotan of the Year award. These awards were both presented by Michael Robin and President Casebolt. Steven was also the speaker after the luncheon.

We want to thank all who gave of their time and donations. We donated 40 pounds of food to the North St. Paul Food Shelf. Thank you to Margaret Behrens for the beautiful rose centerpieces and the following people for their donations of the door prizes: Mike & Suzanne Robin, Kay Harsila, The Casebolts, Richard MacNabb, Amy Jensen and Veronica Sletten.

I hope to see all of you at the Christmas Party on December 3, 2012 at the Cherokee Tavern in West St. Paul. Have a wonderful summer. *Veronica A. Sletten* 

Guess what?

I'm back on the Portrait Committee! June 29<sup>th</sup>, Richard and I drove to the new building. I am impressed! The grounds are well kept, thanks to Alex, the building exterior in good shape and the interior clean and spacious. However, there are boxes and boxes (3' X3' X 8') that are full of portraits, some cleaned, catalogued, repacked, but most are waiting to be done. We want to get them out of the boxes and into a permanent space. Apparently, there is no longer a LeSueur Co. Historical Society, but there are smaller groups in the area. Several people from the surrounding area have offered to help us but we are looking for more. If you know either call 651 379-1849 of aive us а at any, or<mnterritorialpioneers@yahoo.com>. We will be planning "work days" and, if you are available, please let us know. There are kitchen facilities and indoor lavatories and it is about one hour south of the Twin Cities. Mary Vavrosky

# It's Cool, It's Fun and a Great place to Work!

We have openings:

Thursday, August 23, 2012 through Monday, Labor Day. The shifts are: 9 AM to 3PM and 3PM to 9pm.



The pay is not good and the hours long, only natural air conditioning but there is shelter from the rain! You do get a lunch break and you get an admission ticket. We have chairs to sit on, a refrigerator to keep beverages cold, a bathroom in the building and fellowship. Get to know your fellow members, share your stories and see all the visitors from near and far who visit the Log Cabin. From politicians to rock stars, we have seen them all. Japan, Ireland, Yugoslavia, Norway, and China etc. they all come to see us. It is fun to see the repeat visitors and hear the question, "Are you new here this year?"

The evening shifts are the hardest to fill. Reserve your time early; we already have members signing up for what they want.

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

You can email: <a href="mailto:mnterritorialpioneers@yahoo.com">mnterritorialpioneers@yahoo.com</a>, call me either at home: 651-698-5124, on my cell: 651-785-5833 or at the office 651-379-1849. You can also sign up through the website: <a href="mailto:mnterritorialpioneers.org">mnterritorialpioneers.org</a> **During the Fair**, the only way to reach me is to call my cell phone: 651-785-5833.

Thank You, Mary Casebolt

The 4th annual Training Picnic

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 2012 NOON TO 3PM



Bring yourself, bring your kids, bring your smiles.

The Place: In front of the Log Cabin on the MN State Fairgrounds We will have hot dogs, hamburgers & chicken. The Board is supplying everything else, we just NEED YOU! If you have not worked at the Cabin, we will introduce you to the new POS system. Even if you cannot work, please come and join us. Please just call and let us know that you are coming, so we know how much food to prepare. If you want to bring something to share, that is fine. You can even sign up to work a shift at the Fair on that day! I look forward to seeing all of you.

Thanks, Emilie Casebolt

# greetings fellow pioneers

Once again, the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc. is awarding a \$500 scholarship for the 2012-2013 school year! Students who are interested can now access the Student Application on the MTP website, MN Territorial Pioneers.org, click on the —Scholarship Program tab. In addition, we are in the process of posting it on the FastWeb.com and Scholarship.Com, which are websites that the students and school counselors check for scholarships on.

Applicants do not have to be members of the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers in order to be eligible, but must be a graduating high school Senior or college student and show proof of acceptance or attendance by a higher education institution that is located within the boundaries of the Minnesota Territory, as designated by the U.S. Congress. This does include part of North and South Dakota, mainly east of the Missouri River. So please check out the following website for clarification and maps: http://www.sos.state.mn.us/student/history.html



All applicants must submit an essay, the topic this year: "How did an early Minnesota territorial or statehood pioneer entrepreneur or business person influence community or county, successfully unsuccessfully, prior to 1875? This person must have been in Minnesota during territorial (1858 or earlier) or in early statehood times (pre-1875). Submissions must not be less than 750 or over 1500 words in length, double-spaced with 1" margins in MLA format. Bibliography is also required. The essay must be submitted both in written form and by some electronic media i.e. email, CD, flash drive etc. Essays that do not meet application requirements will be disqualified. The 2012-2013 scholarship will be paid directly

to the school the award recipient attends and will be applied towards the student's second-term tuition. Please see the application for more details.

The application this year must be postmarked by **March 1, 2013**. The winning essay will be published by the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc. Please see the application form in this newsletter. For additional information, not listed on the website or application, contact the MTP office at 651-379-1849, mnterritorialpioneers@yahoo.com or check out our website: mnterritorialpioneers.org

Míchæl Robín, Education Chair

#### TIDBITS OF HISTORY:

#### **Captain Steven Beck Hanks**

(cousin of Abraham Lincoln)

Born near Hopkinsville, Ky.: October, 9, 1821

Died Albany, IL.: October 7, 1917

Made his first trip on a floating raft leaving Stillwater, MN about June 1, 1842. Made a trip from Albany to Rock Island during August 1915 on the last raft run down the Mississippi. Between these dates, he was pilot on floating rafts, Captain and pilot on packets and raft boats for about sixty-five years during all of which time he was a very prominent figure in boating and rafting circles.



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### 2013 Scholarship Application

Full Legal Name (printed): _			
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Once again, we are looking to our members for donations of time and money towards some of our larger projects.

#### **Building Fund**

The mower is working and then we had to purchase a WeedWacker. Flagpoles cost about \$400.00 per pole installed. In addition, the monthly expenses of the water softener salt, insect control and electricity.

#### **Scholarship Fund**

We will be awarding it again this year, see the new application in this newsletter. We still are looking for donations to keep this wonderful award alive. Keep them coming in!

#### **Carpenters/Cabinet makers**

After researching and getting bids, the cost of an archival portrait storage cabinet will run about \$1600.00 per cabinet and we need at least ten of them. We are going to try to get a grant but in the meantime, we are asking our members if anyone has the talent to help us. We will cheerfully accept any donations also. We have specifications available. The cabinets are not a want, they are a <u>need</u>.

Please remember that all donations made to the Pioneers are tax deductible. We can send you a donation slip for your taxes.

# Past, Present & Future Events

**July 21** Spirit of the Lake Festival, Minnetonka, MN

July 27-29 Kolacky Days, Montgomery, MN

**July 27-29** Ft Folle Avoine Rendezvous, Danbury WI

**August 4 Log Cabin Training Picnic** 

August 23 – Sept 3 MN State Fair



#### Martin & Esther Kellogg

History of the Kellogg Family General Operating Fund - \$100.00

#### **John Stevens**

General Operating Fund - \$100.00

#### **Julie Arguelles**

Building Fund - \$200.00

Glenn Wiessner
In memory of Robert A. Wiessner
Building Fund - \$54.00

**Donald F. Bohrer** Bohrer family tree

**Michael Hecht** RidX for the building

#### **Recipes & Helpful Hints**

We did not receive any recipes these past few months. Please remember that we need recipes that are **not** out of other cookbooks. We also would appreciate any "helpful hints" that may have been passed down through the generations. We are getting closer to needing someone to start organizing, proofreading and typing the recipes. If you have those skills, please contact the office. Thanks.

#### TIDBITS OF HISTORY:

#### How towns got their names:

Mrs. D. J. Ives, wife of a railroad president. Her maiden name was Ellen Dale and for her the town of Ellendale was named. An early engineer requested that a town be named after his little daughter who had died and the village of Mabel in Fillmore county was named. Job Brown and his brother built a steamboat landing on the Mississippi and the resulting village bears the name of Brownsville to this day. Mantorville took the name of the Mantor brothers, prominent early settlers. Janesville after Mrs. Jane Sprague, wife of an early settler. Bricelyn after John Brice, early settler.

Newspaper & date unknown

# Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc.

2012 Annual Membership Meeting

May 12, 2012

#### FY 2011 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

#### FY 2011 Income

#### FY 2011 Expense

1.624.00	Corporate Office	\$ 40,574.08*	
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TOTAL \$ 22,344.30

#### FY 2012 PROJECTED CORPORATE BUDGET

FY 2012 Projected Income		FY 2012 Projected Expenses			
Annual Dues	\$	2,400.00		Corporate Office	\$ 10,194.00
<b>Application Fee</b>		300.00		Curator/Portraits	9,625.00
Donations		6,000.00		Social	3,050.00
Life Membership		1,500.00		SF/Marketing	6,600.00
Sales:				Steeple View	<u>17,219.00</u>
MSF		3,700.00		TOTAL	\$46,688.00
Outside		1,000.00			
Social		2,275.00		Other Investments:	\$116,081.31
Interest Earned		<u>2,500.00</u>			
TOTAL	\$ :	19,675.00			
				Amy J	<i>Tensen,</i> Treasurer

### Curator's Corner

Summer is here and that means it is time to get ready for the "Great Minnesota Get Together" this August! Over Memorial Day weekend, we were at the "Cannon River

Total Strands Francis

Back Row (I-r)
Doug Mackey, Joe Malinovsky, Gretchen Anderson, Gary Anderson
Front Row: Norma Mackey and Richard MacNabb at Cannon Falls.

Rendezvous" just outside Cannon Falls, MN. The weather was not the best (rained most of the time, heavy winds and hot and humid). We had a good time relating MN history and telling tales of pioneer life. Applications and brochures were given out. With the weather, we did not have many visitors but we did sell a few items. The new wooden toys were a great hit!

On July 21, 2012, we will be back in Mound, MN, from 11 am to 7pm, for the "Spirit of the Lakes" Art Festival on

Lake Minnetonka, at the Surfside Park & Beach. It is their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of being a city! We will have our large

indoor display there. It will be an exciting get-together with fun for the kids and adults. I hope that the weather will not be as hot as now or as rainy as the last time we were there. For more information and directions, check their website: www.spiritofthelakes.com

The Portrait Project is underway again. Mary Vavrosky and I have talked about what needs to be done. Now that the portraits have a more permanent home, it will be easier to get started again on cataloging, photographing and archival storage of the portraits. I am looking for donations to help with making more archival cabinets to store the portraits in. I have received a bid form J.P. Rosenthal Custom Cabinetry and Millwork, Inc. for \$1,575.00, that is correct, One Thousand, Five Hundred and Seventy-five dollars! I will be getting more bids but what we have verbally gotten already has been in the same range. We will also be trying to get a Legacy Grant to help with the costs. These cabinets will be used to store the portraits that are not on display. In order to get grants, we have to show that we are conscious of archival protection of our artifacts and that we are doing our best to protect our history. Plans to put together a museum at the building are also in the planning stages. We are looking for volunteers that would be willing to help with these projects.

Speaking of donations, I would like to thank Sam Fudenberg for his donation of photos of the Fort Snelling Watch Tower (1892) and of the Round Tower at Fort Snelling (1892). Thank you, Sam.

Richard Mac Nabb, Curator

#### **OPENINGS - HELP!**

We need new members! We need workers! We need committee members! Openings in Portrait Committee, newsletter, filing, glass repairer, frame repairer, grant writer and if I have not listed it anywhere else you might be interested in helping. And don't forget the Fair!

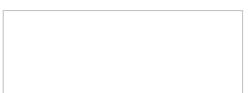
Mary Vavrosky

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# PARTY TIME!

# THE 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TRAINING PICNIC IS SOON! SATURDAY AUGUST 4, 2012 NOON TO 3PM

**SEE INSIDE FOR DETAILS**