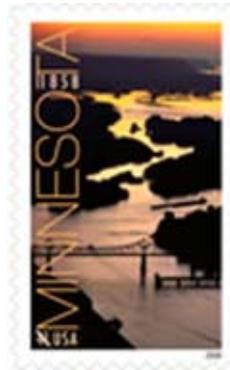


# Territorial News

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OUR ORIGINAL STATE FLAG IS ON THE RIGHT. IT WAS THE BLUE STATE SEAL ON A WHITE BACKGROUND. THE REVERSE WAS ROYAL BLUE WITH A WHITE SEAL. IT WAS COMPLETELY EMBROIDERED AND ONLY A FEW WERE MADE. THE MIDDLE FLAG IS THE Sesquicentennial FLAG AND THE FLAG ON THE RIGHT IS THE CURRENT MINNESOTA STATE FLAG.

THE STAMPS ARE: THE OXEN AND CART IS THE POSTAGE STAMP COMMEMORATING THE 100 YEARS OF BEING A TERRITORY ISSUED IN 1949. THE PINE TREE STAMP ON THE RIGHT IS THE POSTAGE STAMP COMMEMORATING 100 YEARS OF BEING A STATE ISSUED IN 1958 AND THE CENTER POSTAGE STAMP IS THE ONE ISSUED IN 2008 TO HONOR MINNESOTA'S SESQUICENTENNIAL.



**VOLUNTEERS WANTED!**

# *President's Message*

It was so nice to see everyone at the Annual Membership Meeting in Stillwater at the Lowell Inn. Just a nice turn out, and I got a chance to meet some of the regular members and also new members. The dinner was great, and I hope all who attended were pleased. Our new display received many compliments and the presentation was well received. I would like to thank Mark Green, Seraphine Byrne, and Mary Vavrosky for putting together the information on the display. With this display and the traveling display (which you saw at the Holiday party) has given us a chance to get our name out there. We are being recognized both through the displays and the web site.

The future of the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc. depends on its members. We have over 450 strong on the mailing list. I am bringing this to the membership - WE NEED HELP! Over the past several years, it has been a select few who have stepped forward to handle the responsibilities of the organization. This is an organization that wants to keep the history of the territory and state alive. It cannot be accomplished by just these few! Our membership body has many talents, and I would like to call upon some of these talents to help us through the difficult times. Our Treasurer has resigned due to family and personal reasons. We are looking for someone to step forward and take over this position. Also, a lot of the committees need help, too! You do not need to be on the Board of Directors to get involved! In many other organizations that I know you belong to, there is an element of devotion that would involve your participation! Could you step forward and call or email the office to see where you could help. We need help on the Portrait Project (lifting, cleaning and packing). Carpentry skills are needed to help construct archival containers for portrait storage. This is essential to the preservation of them.

During May, we had a chance to take the exhibits to different events for the Sesquicentennial: these included a "Rendezvous" at Cannon River, White Bear Lake Township, Bloomington, and at the state capital for "Statehood Days". There are also a number of events coming up, and the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc. will also be participating in them.

Guess what folks; the Great Minnesota Get together is coming faster than is expected. That's right, the Minnesota State Fair. I will be looking forward to seeing you at the Fair,

Our prayers go out to Seraphine Byrne and Kay Harsila, both who recently have had major surgery. We look forward to seeing you both returning to your board duties soon.

*Richard MacNabb*, President

# Secretary 's Report

As we start this new fiscal year, I am honored to have been elected Secretary again. This year started off with a bang. You elected 21 new members into the organization. Please see the list in this newsletter. As usual, we had some board members retire and some new ones join us. I am sorry to see **Katherine Mytty** and **Ilyne Nesheim** leave the board. They were vibrant and valued members. They will be missed. We welcome new board members, **Sam Fudenberg**, **Michael Robin** and **David Swanson**. I have the list of the new Board of Directors in this newsletter along with our meeting dates for the upcoming year. Please keep that sheet handy, the organization's contact information is also on that sheet. The website has been very popular, our thanks to Anne Sladky. She keeps the site updated and interesting. Check it out; I think you will enjoy it.

With the new members, I had 21 letters to write, cards to fill in and certificates to do along with all the usual paperwork that happens with this job. The Minnesota Sesquicentennial is certainly keeping this organization busy. Do you want to help? Please call: 651-379-1849.

**Just a reminder! If you have an asterisk after your name, you still owe annual dues of \$24.00 for the year 2008.**

I hope that you like our "colorized" newsletter. The MTP was able to purchase a color printer that can handle the high volume of printing the newsletter. Thank you to everyone who donated towards this purchase. It certainly made our lives a little easier and a lot more colorful!

With the Fair coming up, I hope to see many of you volunteering and visiting. It is always nice to have members introduce themselves when they visit the Log Cabin. See you there!

*Mary Casebolt*, Secretary

***Tidbits of History*** The golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Allgor of Rosemount, Minn. was celebrated recently at the home of their daughter, Mrs. G. E. McClure. They were married in Dakota Territory on March 22, 1885, where they had lived until 1886 when they moved to Nebraska before returning to Minnesota in 1934. From the *St Paul Dispatch*

**October 27, 1991 Jack Morris** pitched a ten-inning shutout as the Minnesota Twins beat the Atlanta Braves 1-0 in the seventh game of an exciting World Series.

# 2008 Annual Luncheon

Wow! What a wonderful turn-out we had for the luncheon at Lowell Inn in Stillwater on Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. We were 82 including several new members. The building itself was interesting as well as beautiful; and the addition of our new display added just the right touch. The annual meeting was held with Richard MacNabb presiding. By-Law changes were passed and new members were elected to the board.

The award for Pioneer of the Year was presented to Leona Benson, who was present with members of her family. The awards for Minnesotans of the Year were presented to Lise, Heid and Louise Erdich, *in absentia*.

Thanks go to Lillian Burford who brought a framed postcard titled **Currents of Change** which she showed to the members present.

Following the prayer for members who have passed away in the past year, and a blessing for food by the Rev. Tom Phillips, we were served a delicious lunch. The cake was provided by Katy Mytty and Mary Vavrovsky and was decorated in a theme honoring the Minnesota Sesquicentennial.

Our speaker was Robert Goodman, author and local historian, who gave a very interesting talk about the people and events in Minnesota relating to statehood.

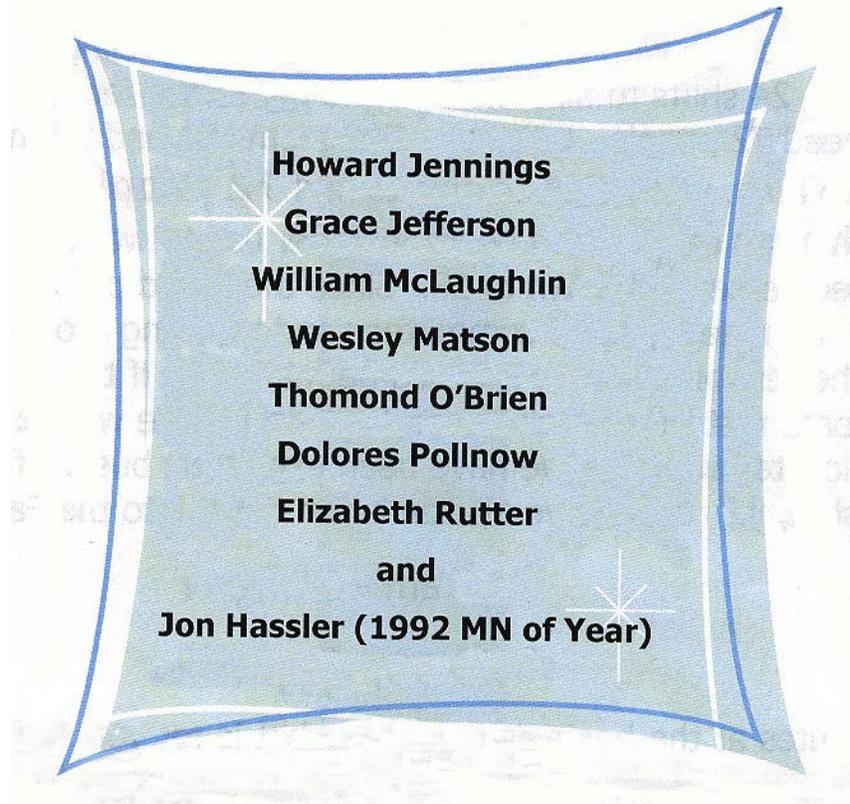
The Sesquicentennial Medallion was introduced and aluminum medallions were handed out to all members present. Several related items were for sale: a mug, additional medallions, and copies of **Then and Now**, the first book published by MTP in 1899, and reprinted for the Sesquicentennial.

*Catherine Harrison*, Social Chair

***Tidbits of History*** Sebastian Reichert arrived in St. Cloud on May 9, 1856 having left Cumberland, Maryland on April 13. He and his family landed at the Upper Levee from the steamer Alexander Ramsey. Soon thereafter he established a bakery in "Upper Town" and became known as the "Upper Baker." During his life he was treasurer of the St. Joseph Society (a Catholic organization); vice president of the "Old Settlers Association of Stearns County;" a member of the board of public works; and served two terms as alderman. He was married to Dorothy Stucmon (?) and they had at least ten children, one of whom was said to be the first male child born in the limits of St. Cloud in 1858. In 1862 tragedy struck as they lost their seven year old son to the mighty Mississippi River when the boy slipped off a rock near the Upper Trace. As Sebastian grew older, his bakery was handed down to his two older sons, Sebastian Jr. and Caspar. He died August 6, 1896 in St. Cloud at the age of 71.

## IN MEMORIAM

Please join us in extending our deepest sympathies to the families of the following members who have passed away. They were all a vital part of the organization, contributing to the rich history of Minnesota and they will be remembered fondly.



### *Portrait Committee Report*

The Portrait Committee has received bids from two builders of storage units for the preservation of the nearly 1,800 portraits owned by the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers. There are several more bids yet to come in: however, the two bids received range from \$1,100.00 to \$2,415 per unit. They are archival. This means that the units meet the professional criteria required for safe storage. They are compact, able to store different size portraits within one unit. They are also mobile, meaning they are on swivel-locking casters.

In order to repack the portraits that have already been digitized, **we need either muscle or money**. To finish the rest of the portraits, about 1,600 in all. If muscle isn't found, we can hire clean, catalog, digitize, pack and finish the project. Examine your conscience and schedule.

How can you help us? Please, call and we'll explain. We can schedule work sessions Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday mornings as well as Saturday mornings except for the third Saturday of each month. We can also work Saturday afternoons after the MTP meetings.

Call the MTP office at 651 379-1849 or e-mail MTP at [mnterritorialpioneers@yahoo.com](mailto:mnterritorialpioneers@yahoo.com)

*Mary Vavrosky*, Chair

## IN THE GOOD OLD SUMMERTIME...

This year certainly has gone by fast. As the kids moan about how bored they are and there is nothing to do **HERE IT IS FAIR TIME AGAIN!** Here I go with my usual begging and groveling for help. We have 24 shifts to fill with 3 people per shift needed. In my estimation, that means we need 72 people. With over 500 members and the majority of them living in the metro area, we should be able to find **72 people** who would like to volunteer for **6 hours** each. Each board member has to work a shift, so I can reduce the number of people needed down to 58. Since the board puts in an incredible amount of time with meetings and committees and traveling around the state with our exhibits during the rest of the year, it would be really nice if the members would step up and let the board rest for a week or so. Especially since with exhibiting during the Sesquicentennial year, we have been extremely busy. If you work a full 6 hour shift, you do receive an admission ticket into the Fair. The shifts are:

8:45 am - 3:00 pm

2:45 pm - 9:00 pm

The extra 15 minutes at the beginning of each shift is for you to familiarize yourselves with prices, new items of interest, where everything is etc. If you have worked at the Log Cabin before, you probably realize that it is very helpful that the person working the shift before you can assist you with this. I am going to try something new this year; I am having an orientation before the Fair for everyone who has signed up. This would be a great time to see the cabin before the Fair, find out how things work etc. I will let you know when this will be when you sign up. Thank you to the people who have already signed up. Come help us celebrate the Minnesota Sesquicentennial!!!

You may contact me through email: [mnterritorialpioneers@yahoo.com](mailto:mnterritorialpioneers@yahoo.com)

MTP Office Phone: 651-379-1849 or my home: 651-698-5124 or the MTP website: [mnterritorialpioneers.org](http://mnterritorialpioneers.org). There is a form on the website that you can download, fill in and send into the office: 176 Snelling Ave N. #328 St. Paul, MN 55104

A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who takes the time to help.

*Bill & Mary Casebolt*, MTP State Fair Committee Chairs



Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc.  
**Fiscal Year 2008 Projected Budget**

**2008 Projected Income**

Annual Dues	\$3744.00
Life Memberships	960.00
Application Fees	360.00
Social	3150.00
Sales	24000.00
Donations	1446.00
Interest Earned	3400.00
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>37060.00</u>

**2008 Projected Expenses**

Corporate Office	\$11860.00
Curator	13450.00*
Sesquicentennial	600.00
Social	3150.00
State Fair/Market'g	8000.00
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$37060.00</u>
*\$3000.00 "Legacy Grant"	
from MN Sesquicentennial Commission	

**Fiscal Year 2007 Financial Statement**

**FY 2007 Income**

Annual dues	\$2572.00
Life Memberships	720.00
Application Fees	330.00
Membership Mtgs	2795.00
State Fair	2775.00
Donations	894.00
Grants	4000.00
Herberger's Coupons	10.00
SALES:	
State Fair	2775.00
Outside Sales	688.00
SF Ticket Refund	200.00
Sub-Total:	18001.00
Bequest:	65050.00
<u><b>TOTAL:</b></u>	<u><b>83,951.00</b></u>

**FY 2007 Expenses**

Bulk Mail	430.00
Checks:	54.00
Curator	297.00
Member Mtgs	1707.00
State Fair	2924.00
Scholarship	1000.00
Sesquicentennial	250.00
Sales Tax paid	171.00
Corporate Office	3294.00
Marketing	6465.00
<u><b>TOTAL</b></u>	<u><b>16562.00</b></u>



We are very proud of the medallions that we recently had commissioned. They are beautiful and will become a collector's item. One side is our older logo that the MTP used for many years, the wagon with our "To Minnesota" emblem. Our corporate seal is on the other. The Aluminum medallions depict the Sesquicentennial logo on one side and our seal on the obverse. Below is a price list of commemorative medallions the MTP has for sale. We will be selling these at the State Fair and other venues we attend throughout the year. It is also one way our members can support the organization. Once these are sold, they will not be reproduced. So please if you are interested, order soon. You may order and request certain numbers. If they are available we will let you know. The current numbers available are: 11 to 150. Some numbered medallions are already sold but please check for availability. For a complete listing of more sale items go to our website: [www.mnterritorialpioneers.org](http://www.mnterritorialpioneers.org) or contact the MTP office: 176 Snelling Ave N. #328, St. Paul, MN 55104 or call: 651-379-1849.

## PRICE LIST

### SESQUICENTENNIAL MEDALLIONS – LIMITED QUANTITIES

3 medallion set - .999 Fine Silver, Bronze (numbered) & Aluminum	\$89.95
Sterling Silver Medallion - numbered (on edge of medallion)	\$64.95
Polished Bronze Medallion — numbered (on edge of medallion)	\$11.95
Antiqued Bronze Medallion — in Airtite & velvet box	\$ 9.95
Antiqued Bronze — in Airtite & velvet bag	\$ 6.95
Sesquicentennial Aluminum Medallion in velvet bag	\$ 2.95
Sesquicentennial Aluminum Medallion in Airtite container	\$ 2.00
Sesquicentennial Aluminum Medallion in plastic bag	\$ 1.00

# VOLUNTEERS DESPERATELY NEEDED!

The **PORTRAIT PROJECT** needs volunteers to continue the work in cleaning and restoring the approximately 1600 remaining portraits. Without more volunteers this valuable and essential work of the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers is stagnating. At this time, we have three volunteers working on this project and we need many more who can offer their time to this project. Even if you can only give a couple hours a month of your time, this will help to move the Portrait Project along at a much more rapid pace than we have been moving in the past year.

Many people ask what portraits does the MTP have and do we have any of their ancestors? Without being able to unpack, clean and label the remaining portraits, we are unable to answer that question and without more volunteers it will be YEARS before we can answer these questions!

*Norma Mackey*, 2nd Vice President

## Donations

The following people have made donations to the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc. We wish to say a special thank you to them.

Seraphine Byrne	\$ 20.00	Fine Silver Medallion for MTP collection
James Eckert	\$134.02	Copier
Catherine Harrison	\$ 20.00	Fine Silver Medallion for MTP collection
Katie Mytty	\$ 20.00	Fine Silver Medallion for MTP collection
Katie Mytty	\$ 50.00	New Exhibit Canopy
Ilyne Nesheim	\$ 15.00	General Operating Fund
Diane Reising		Misc. clothes, child's shoes for display
Georgia Schultz	\$ 50.00	Traveling exhibit
Mary Vavrosky	\$ 20.00	Fine Silver Medallion for MTP collection
Anonymous	\$ 5.05	Scholarship Fund

As you can see, there is not a donation too small or large for the Pioneers to accept. We are a tax deductible organization and if you desire, we issue a donation slip for tax purposes. The actual medallion to which people donated is the medallion which we are keeping for our collection. This helps defray the cost of the medallion to the organization.

We continue to accept donations toward the Scholarship Fund so that we can continue to present awards. Currently we do not have enough funds to award another scholarship this year, but hopefully we will have enough for the next year. We hope that we did not miss anyone. We are very thankful for every donation. The new exhibit canopy is an EZ set-up 10x10 cover for the Fair and also as we travel throughout the state it can be used. It is much easier on our backs than a full size 20x10 one!

The following people were voted as members of the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc. at the 2008 Annual Membership Meeting on May 10, 2008. Congratulations!

<b><u>Applicant</u></b>	<b><u>Ancestor</u></b>	<b><u>County</u></b>
<b>Kevin L. Brixius</b>	Nicholas Hansen	Stearns - 1855
<b>Daniel C. Carlson</b>	William H. Van Kleeck	Dakota – 1853
	Rebecca J. Van Kleeck	Dakota – 1853
	James Bedbury	Scott – 1857
	John Bedbury	Scott – 1857
<b>Merrilee S. Carlson</b>	William H. Van Kleeck	Dakota – 1853
	Rebecca J. Van Kleeck	Dakota – 1853
	James Bedbury	Scott – 1857
	John Bedbury	Scott – 1857
<b>Joan L. Cotter</b>	Truman Mott Smith	Ramsey – 1851
<b>Gary V. Hanson</b>	Charles Haeg (Carl Hog)	Hennepin – 1853
<b>Sara Markoe Hanson</b>	William Markoe	Ramsey – 1856
<b>Mari C. Erb</b>	Eugene Lemay	Dakota – 1857
<b>Sam H. Fudenberg</b>	Joseph Michel Bush (Bourcier)	Dakota – 1820
<b>Marilyn Hromadka</b>	Frank Werner	Ramsey – 1854
<b>Arlene G. Johnson</b>	Charles August Swanson	Carver – 1856
<b>Mark E. Johnson</b>	Astrid Kassenborg	Houston – 1853
	Andrew Gilbert Kassenborg	Houston – 1853
	Tone Kragnes nee Olson	Houston – 1853
	Ole Aanundson Kragnes	Houston – 1854
	Kari Kragnes nee Holte	Houston – 1854
	Gulbrand Gulbranson Kassenborg	Houston – 1853
<b>David M. Markoe</b>	William Markoe	Ramsey – 1856
<b>Carole M. Mayers</b>	Joseph LaBissonniere	Ft Snelling-1836
<b>Kathleen F. Middendorf</b>	Theresia Winkler	Carver – 1856
<b>Barbara G. Nygaard</b>	Rosina (Spengler) Ziebarth	Wright – 1858
<b>Brian L. Patridge</b>	Thomas Corrollo Partridge	Stearns – 1857
<b>Michael F. Robin</b>	Jean Baptiste DeMars (Delmeres)	Ramsey – 1849
<b>Suzanne M. Schoolmaster</b>	Truman Mott Smith	Ramsey – 1851
<b>Bonita K. Sherman</b>	Nicholas Hansen	Stearns – 1857
<b>Carolyn J. Trevis</b>	Nicholas Hansen	Stearns – 1857
<b>Kathryn M. Whitney</b>	George & Catherine Slater	Dayton – 1856

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## FISCAL YEAR 2008 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc. recently held its 2008 Annual Board of Directors Meeting on Saturday, May 10, 2008. The following Directors were elected as follows:

### Executive Board:

Richard MacNabb, President	St Paul, Minnesota
William Casebolt, 1st Vice-President	St. Paul, Minnesota
Norma Mackey, 2nd Vice-President	Cottage Grove, Minnesota
Mary Casebolt, Secretary	St. Paul, Minnesota
Amy Jensen, Treasurer	St. Paul, Minnesota
Mark Green, Corporate Clerk	White Bear Lake, Minnesota

### Board of Directors:

Seraphine Byrne — Marketing/Sales	Lake Elmo, Minnesota
Sam Fudenberg	Roseville, Minnesota
Catherine Harrison - Social Committee	Pine City, Minnesota
Kay Harsila — Membership Chair	Aurora, Minnesota
Michael Robin	Bloomington, Minnesota
Richard Sandeen	Richfield, Minnesota
David Swanson — Newsletter Editor	Minneapolis, Minnesota
Mary Vavrosky - Portrait Project	Bloomington, Minnesota

### Ex-officio Board Member

Katherine Mytty- Goodwill Ambassador	Plymouth, Minnesota
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### Honorary Vice-Presidents

Rev. Thomas Phillips – Chaplain	Stillwater, Minnesota
Ruth MacNabb	Bloomington, Minnesota
Ilyne Nesheim	Minneapolis, Minnesota

**MINNESOTA TERRITORIAL PIONEERS, INC.**  
**FY 2008**

**REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SCHEDULE**

**2008**

Regular Directors Meeting  
**May 10, 2008**  
Following Annual Meeting  
Lowell Inn, Stillwater MN

Regular Directors Meeting  
**June 21, 2008**  
10:00am  
Associated — Liberty Office

Regular Directors Meeting  
**July 19, 2008**  
10:00am  
Associated — Liberty Office

Regular Directors Meeting  
**August 16, 2008**  
10:00am  
Associated — Liberty Office

Regular Directors Meeting  
**September 20, 2008**  
10:00am  
Associated — Liberty Office

Regular Directors Meeting  
**October 18, 2008**  
10:00am  
Associated — Liberty Office

Regular Directors Meeting  
**November 15, 2008**  
10:00am  
Associated — Liberty Office

Christmas Party  
**December 6, 2008**  
Date, time and location TBD

**2009**

Regular Directors Meeting  
**January 17, 2009**  
10:00am  
Associated — Liberty Office

Regular Directors Meeting  
**February 21, 2009**  
10:00am  
Associated — Liberty Office

Regular Directors Meeting  
**March 21, 2009**  
10:00am  
Associated — Liberty Office

Regular Directors Meeting  
**April 18, 2009**  
10:00am  
Associated — Liberty Office

**Annual Membership Meeting**  
Date. Time, Location TBD

Annual Board of Directors Meeting &  
Elections  
**Date TBA**

Meetings are held at the Associated Bank Building, Room 103, on the main floor. This room is off the main hallway of the atrium, before you enter the inside bank. You are always welcome to attend.

176 N. Snelling Ave  
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## *Curator's Corner*

It was nice seeing everyone at the Annual Meeting and visiting with members I have not seen for a long time. Wasn't the new display very informative and nice? We are very proud of it and pleased that members contributed their stories to be put up on the board.

Over Memorial Day weekend, Seraphine Byrne and I had the opportunity to represent the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers at the Cannon River Rendezvous. We were there for 4 days and had a great time telling visitors about the MTP. We were able to sell our products and also the new medallions. I wish to thank them for having us.

On July 12, 2008, the MTP was asked to the Kanne Marzahn Minske (KMM) reunion of 2008 in Waseca, MN. This is a huge family reunion that takes place every 4 years. Please check out their website: [ourminnesota.org](http://ourminnesota.org) for more information on them. We were honored to bring our new display down there. We were also allowed to sell, pass out literature and talk about the MTP. All of the family members are eligible to become MTP members!

We are always looking for more venues where we can put up the display and share our history with the general public. One of the board members figured that there are approximately over 500,000 people, just in Minnesota, that are eligible to become members. How exciting it would be to see our organization grow that big!

We received more donations; Liz Chenery of **Turner Publishing**, donated a book titled: "Historic Pictures of St. Paul" it is quite beautiful and informative. **Leona Benson** (Member & 2008 MTP Pioneer of the Year) and her daughter, **Lillian Burford** (member) donated a horse blanket which Leona said that she used when they would go for rides when she was a child. She knew that it was in her family before she was born. We won't tell her age but she figured it was around the turn of the century that the blanket was made. It is quite beautiful. Thank you for the donation.

Speaking of donations: Keep them coming! If you have a donation or questions about how to make a donation, please contact the office: 651-379-1849 or send us an email: [mnterritorialpioneers@yahoo.com](mailto:mnterritorialpioneers@yahoo.com)

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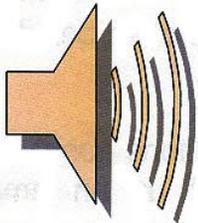
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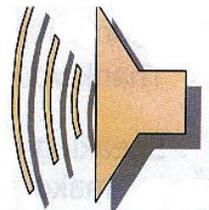
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VOLUNTEER AT THE MTP LOG CABIN  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 21  
THROUGH LABOR DAY  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2008



**We Need YOU! Many job openings,  
Volunteer NOW!**

